



NEWSLETTER THE FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD YEAR A 6TH AUGUST 2023

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MASS INTENTIONS

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, DONORE

Sunday 11am Margaret Dillon; Willie, Ita & Frank Gibney.

No Mass on Tuesday (9.30am Duleek) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10am

Wednesday 9am Missa pro populo

Thursday 9am Olive Black.

No Mass on Friday (9.30am Duleek)

Sunday 11am William Gogarty; Rosemary & Jack Marry.

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, ROSSNAREE

Saturday 6.30pm Brian Burke & dec family; Sean O’Neill; John & Fiona Martin; John Mongey; Christopher Nugent; Michael & Clare Reilly.

Saturday 6:30pm Missa pro populo.

FIRST FRIDAY COMMUNION CALLS Fr. Mark will do communion calls for Donore this Wednesday.

MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket Collection): € 230
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly Envelopes): €467.10
Donore Fund Account:
IBAN IE38 AIBK 9320 9446 7323 44



If you have no cash you can just scan your phone over this QR code to contribute to the basket collection.

CHY3 FORMS The Parish Office will be sending correspondence over the next couple of weeks to parishioners with regard to the Tax Rebate which all charities (including parishes) can benefit from. It can generate a substantial amount at no cost to the individual. All who contribute €250 or more in offerings over the year can claim the rebate. Please kindly return the completed forms at your earliest convenience. As ever many thanks to everyone for their support.

HOSPITALITY On the second Sunday of every month a cuppa will be provided after the 11am Mass in Donore. Everyone is welcome as we share a few minutes of hospitality, especially getting to know new parishioners or visitors passing by. Feel free to bring a few buns etc any Sunday!



COMMUNITY NOTICES

St Vincent de Paul Church Gate Collection will take place at all Masses this weekend.

Lotto: 4, 5, 10, 12 No jackpot winner.
Consolation prizes €25 John Walsh & Avril McKeever
Next week’s jackpot €6,610.
Reserve Jackpot €3,360

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Helpline 1800 677 777 or
contact 087-0931068

ACCORD

For Marriage Preparation Courses or for marriage and relationship counselling www.accord.ie

CHILD SAFEGUARDING

See the church notice boards and diocesan website

VOCATIONS

Ever think about becoming a priest for the Diocese of Meath? Contact Fr. Mark

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (R.C.I.A.)

A process for anyone enquiring about becoming a Catholic and for those baptised who never celebrated the Sacraments of Holy Communion or Confirmation. More info on all the above on www.dioceseofmeath.ie



WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023 On this Feast of the Transfiguration Pope Francis celebrates the concluding WYD Mass for the estimated 2 million gathered in Lisbon. “Lord,” Peter said, “it is wonderful for us to be here!” Forty-four young pilgrims from the Diocese of Meath with Bishop Tom, have participated in this past week’s programme of events including the *Rise Up Encounters*, a series of talks, discussions, prayer and reflections. They have attended a variety of cultural, religious and festival events to celebrate the joy of this global gathering of young Catholics. Pope Francis has presided over the Welcome Ceremony, The Way of the Cross and over the weekend the Prayer Vigil and now the WYD Mass this Sunday morning. At the end of this WYD Mass Pope Francis will bless the youth for the ongoing Mission which we all share as the witnesses to Christ, under the protection of Our Lady of Fatima. Check out online www.dioceseofmeath.ie and also www.lisboa2023.org to see what has been happening at WYD! RTE are broadcasting the World Youth Day Mass live on Sunday 6th August on RTE 1 at 8:55am.

DULEEK & DONORE PARISHES PILGRIMAGE 2023 SATURDAY 26TH AUGUST *The Lough Derg Camino*



Join with Fr. Mark & Fr. Anthony as we again follow in the way of St. Patrick! This year we make the Pilgrim Path along the lake shore overlooking the Station Island of Lough Derg, St. Patrick’s Purgatory, Co. Donegal. By chance a national event is happening when we are there to mark this being the Year of Prayer for Priestly Vocations (see www.loughderg.org lakeshore-pilgrimage for more info). The walk is reduced to 8k so as to enable everyone to be ferried over to St. Patrick’s Purgatory. On the Station Island we will have a wonderful opportunity to see and understand this sacred place. While there we will join in the national prayer service, followed by refreshments; so no fasting or bare feet!! If you or your family is interested we need to get the total numbers travelling soon due to costs of transport. **To book your seat on the bus please contact Caroline at the Parish Office.** Even if you may not be able to do much walking you are welcome to come along and join with us. Children up to 18 years of age will need to be accompanied by a parent, grandparent or guardian to comply with our Safe-guarding policy. You’ll need good comfortable footwear with strong ankle support. Perhaps bring a good walking stick too. A wee bag to carry on your back may be useful as everyone will need to carry water, some sweets/bars etc and of course weather can be unpredictable so it is advisable to have raingear and also a warm top as it can change considerably when out on the boat and Island. The celebration of Mass will take place along the Pilgrim Path way. Refreshments will be provided on the Island and on the way home if still ‘hungry’ we will stop in Cavan for a bite to eat. Donation only for the bus and for St. Patrick’s Purgatory/Station Island. Looking forward to another special pilgrimage together!



MEATH DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK takes place next Sunday 13th August. Anyone interested in going can book their free seat on the Parish Bus, please contact Caroline in Duleek Parish Office on 041-9823205 or email duleekparish@gmail.com. The bus will be leaving Donore church at 7.15am and will stop for food at The Richmond Inn, Cloon Dara on the way home.

Message of Pope Francis for the Youth of the Church on the occasion of The World Youth Day 2023 Dear young people, now is the time to set out in haste towards concrete encounters, towards genuine acceptance of those different from ourselves. This was the case with the young Mary and the elderly Elizabeth. Only thus will we bridge distances – between generations, social classes, ethnic and other groups – and even put an end to wars. Young people always represent the hope for new unity within our fragmented and divided human family. But only if they can preserve memory, only if they can hear the dramas and dreams of the elderly. “It is no coincidence that war is returning to Europe at a time when the generation that experienced it in the last century is dying out” (*Message for the 2022 World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly*). We need the covenant between young and old, lest we forget the lessons of history; we need to overcome all the forms of polarization and extremism present in today’s world. Saint Paul, writing to the Ephesians, announced that, “now in Christ Jesus, you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us”. Jesus is God’s response to the challenges facing humanity in every age. Mary carries that response within her when she goes to visit Elizabeth. The greatest gift that Mary brings to her elderly kinswoman is that of Jesus himself. Certainly, the concrete assistance she offered was most valuable. Yet nothing could have filled the house of Zechariah with such great joy and satisfaction as the presence of Jesus in the womb of the Virgin, now a tabernacle of the living God. In that mountain village, Jesus, by his mere presence and without uttering a word, preached his first “Sermon on the Mount”. He silently proclaimed the beatitude of the poor and the meek who trust in God’s mercy. My message for you, dear young people, the great message entrusted to the Church, is Jesus! Yes, Jesus himself, in his infinite love for each of us, his salvation and the new life he has bestowed upon us. Mary is our model; she shows us how to welcome this immense gift into our lives, to share it with others, and thus to bring Christ, his compassionate love and his generous service to our deeply wounded humanity.

