



NEWSLETTER THIRTIETH SUNDAY YEAR A

DONORE PARISH WITH DULEEK PARISH
PARISHES OF THE DULEEK DEANERY
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Time to put the clocks back!

29TH OCTOBER 2023

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Tuesday – Thursday 10am-5pm

MASS INTENTIONS

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, DONORE

Sunday 11am Nicky Condra 1st Ann.

Tuesday No mass (9:30am Duleek) **9-10am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

No Mass on Wednesday (9.30am Bellewstown & 7.30pm Feast of All Saints & All Souls in St. Cianán's Duleek)

Thursday 9am Feast of All Souls – Parish List of the Dead

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Sunday 11am Missa pro populo.

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, ROSSNAREE

Saturday 6.30pm Kathleen Gallagher.

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FIRST FRIDAY COMMUNION
CALLS Fr. Mark & Fr Francis
will do communion calls this
Thursday.

MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket Collection): € 536
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly Envelopes): € 447
*Sincere thanks for the generous contribution to the
Mission Sunday Collection.*

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.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Lotto: 6, 16, 21, 24 No Jackpot winner
Consolation prizes €50 Erin Lawlor
Next week's jackpot €3,580.

Meath Partnership are looking for volunteers who would like to make new connections and build new friendships, supporting and encouraging participants to practice and improve their language skills through informal community based conversational English classes. Classes are informal and conversational and whilst teaching experience can be useful, being chatty and welcoming is just as valuable. Classes will be held in Saint Mary's Parish Hall, Donore on Monday afternoons from 2pm to 4pm. Start date to be confirmed. For more information contact Emma on 089-4366894.

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.dioseseofmeath.ie

AN AUTUMNAL MUSICAL DELIGHT CHANGE OF DATE! Bellewstown Church Choir, along with Naomh Treasa Youth Choir have had to reschedule their concert of music from Handel to contemporary song, in aid of the refurbishment of Bellewstown Hall. Please note that the concert will now be on **Friday 10th November at 8pm** in the Church of St. Therese, Bellewstown. Any tickets purchased are still valid. It is an autumnal performance celebrating the joy of music. So please spread the word and keep the date free for family and friends to join us. Tickets are still available after all Masses this weekend; from choir members and from the Parish Office during the week: €20 for adults, U12s free.



SILVER JUBILEE OF ORDINATION I still can't believe after the stormy weather how blessed we were last Sunday to have the sunshine enabling everyone to enjoy the comings and going from the Jubilee Mass and the reception in the Old Court House. It was wonderful to celebrate the occasion of my Silver Jubilee with you my parishioners, family, friends, classmates, priest colleagues and bishops! My sincere thanks to everyone who assisted with preparing the church and with hosting the fabulous refreshments afterwards. It is hugely appreciated by myself and my family. I also want to acknowledge the kind and generous gestures given by so many to me personally over these days,

to mark my twenty-five years of ministry in the Diocese and more recently these past two years as parish priest amongst you here in Duleek and Donore. I'm so grateful to God and to you all for the blessings and encouragement received, as together we continue with "*Hearts on fire, feet on the move*" the mission of sharing the Gospel and bearing witness to our identity with Jesus Christ, Saviour of the World. "*The harvest is rich but the labours are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labours to his harvest.*" Lk.10.2

1ST NOVEMBER FEAST OF ALL SAINTS Halloween traditionally celebrates the evening before the festival of the saints.



In doing so it banished all things evil with the confidence we Christians have in the example of the great witness of the saints and of their intercession for us still as we continue our journey to heaven. It was also a time to indulge in the fruits of the harvest before storing stuff away to feed upon over the winter months. With modern day living this is not such a pressing concern! It was a fearful time ahead, as winter would take its toll with the deaths of many due to the harshness of winter time; think about how there was none of the covid or flu vaccines etc we rely upon today to survive. In fact we have lost much of the significance of all these special days because of our modern lifestyle. Let us pause to take stock of our faith and belief in the saints and in the life everlasting for all the faithful departed.

NOVEMBER A TIME TO REMEMBER During November we commemorate the Faithful Departed. We compile our own individual list of our beloved dead and add them to the *Parish List of the Dead 2023*. A Parish List of the Dead envelope should have been delivered to your home. Alternatively, you can pick up a List of the Dead and an envelope in the church porches or mark any envelope 'Parish List of the Dead'. Please return your List and Offering at any Mass. Throughout November at every Mass and on the First Friday's of every month we remember and pray for the repose of the souls of all the Faithful Departed.

'Indeed, the Church in its pilgrim members, from the very earliest days of the Christian religion, has honoured with great respect the memory of the dead; and "because it is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead that they may be loosed from their sins" (2Mac 12:46) she offers her suffrages for them. These consist, primarily, in celebration of the holy sacrifice of the Eucharist, and in other pious exercises, such as prayers for the dead, alms deeds, works of mercy, and the application of indulgences to the souls of the faithful departed.' Directory on Popular Piety and the Liturgy, 251

Norms for Indulgences at the Commemoration of All Souls – By making confession within the week preceding or following 1st November, receiving Holy Communion and praying for the Pope's Intentions (One Our Father & Hail Mary) when visiting a church or cemetery, one can gain a plenary indulgence for the holy souls of our dead.



On Tuesday 7th November at 7:30pm in the Church of the Nativity of Our Lady, Donore a special Mass of Memory will be offered, at which we will think especially of the parishioners whom we have buried since this time last year. We invite their families to join us for this Memorial, as we recognise their grief and support them with our prayers. We also invite other parishioners who may have lost loved ones and celebrated their funerals elsewhere. Please come and join with us as we pray for the gentle repose of their souls in the eternal love and mercy of God.

AN EARLY PARTY INVITE! Commemorating the Feast of All Saints on 1st November we invite the children of our parish and their families to a special 7:30pm Mass in St. Cianán's Duleek dressed as a favourite saint. There are lots to choose from, including many on the links Bishop Tom sent to the Confirmation children! Afterwards there will be party food and some prizes will be given to the best-dressed 'boy saint' & 'girl saint'! Relics of some saints will be on display as we celebrate this most sacred Day and the Feast of All Souls 2nd November. If any volunteers could help out please contact Caroline at the Parish Office.



