



NEWSLETTER MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

As you ring in the New Year 2024 Fr. Declan, Fr Francis and I would like to extend blessings and good wishes to you and your families. Many thanks again to all who have assisted with the Masses for Christmas, in-particular our sacristans, stewards, Ministers of the Word and Ministers of Holy Communion; to everyone who helped prepare the churches, assisted with the flowers and putting up the crib displays; to the organists and soloists who enhanced our liturgies in both churches; all the extra effort by so many is greatly appreciated. Looking ahead with New Year's resolutions and much expectation as to what 2024 will hold for us, let us do so with faith, hope and love; confidently entrusting all to God under the maternal care of our Heavenly Mother, to whom the first day of the New Year is dedicated. Our Lady, Queen of Peace, pray for us.

MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR THE 57th WORLD DAY OF PEACE

1ST JANUARY 2024

Artificial Intelligence and Peace

“We rightly rejoice and give thanks for the impressive achievements of science and technology, as a result of which countless ills that formerly plagued human life and caused great suffering have been remedied. At the same time, techno-scientific advances, by making it possible to exercise hitherto unprecedented control over reality, are placing in human hands a vast array of options, including some that may pose a risk to our survival and endanger our common home. The remarkable advances in new information technologies, particularly in the digital sphere, thus offer exciting opportunities and grave risks, with serious implications for the pursuit of justice and harmony among peoples. Any number of urgent questions need to be asked. What will be the consequences, in the medium and long term, of these new digital technologies? And what impact will they have on individual lives and on societies, on international stability and peace?”

The future of Artificial Intelligence; between promise and risk
Progress in information technology and the development of digital technologies in recent decades have already begun to effect profound transformations in global society and its various dynamics. New digital tools are even now changing the face of communications, public administration, education, consumption, personal interactions and countless other aspects of our daily lives. Moreover, from the digital footprints spread throughout the Internet, technologies employing a variety of algorithms can extract data that enable them to control mental and relational habits for commercial or political purposes, often without our knowledge, thus limiting our conscious exercise of freedom of choice. In a space like the Web, marked by information overload, they can structure the flow of data according to criteria of selection that are not always perceived by the user. We need to remember that scientific research and technological innovations are not disembodied and “neutral”, but subject to cultural influences. As fully human activities, the directions they take reflect choices conditioned by personal, social and cultural values in any given age. The same must be said of the results they produce: precisely as the fruit of specifically human ways of approaching the world around us, the latter always have an ethical dimension, closely linked to decisions made by those who design their experimentation and direct their production towards particular objectives.”

A FAMILY PRAYER

God, our Father,

We are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son,

One family, in the Spirit of your love.
Bless us with the joy of love.

Make us patient and kind,

gentle and generous,

welcoming to those in need.

Help us to live your forgiveness and peace.

Protect all families with your loving care,

Especially those for whom we now pray:

[We pause and remember family members and others by name].

Increase our faith,

Strengthen our hope,

Keep us safe in your love,

Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share.

This we ask, through Christ our Lord,
Amen

MASS INTENTIONS

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, DONORE

Sunday 11am Missa pro populo.

No Mass New Year' Day (10am Duleek)

Tuesday *No Mass* - **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9-10am**

No Mass on Wednesday (9.30am Bellewstown)

Thursday 9am Missa pro populo

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Saturday 10am **Feast of The Epiphany**

Sunday 11am James Markey

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, ROSSNAREE

Saturday 6:30pm Missa pro populo

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MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket Collection): € 1,440
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly Envelopes): € 1,106
(Christmas Offerings): € 2,095

Donore Fund Account:

IBAN IE38 AIBK 9320 9446 7323 44

A sincere word of thanks for the generous contribution to the Christmas Offerings. This contribution assists with the up-keep and needs throughout the year, including the monthly salary of the priests who serve in the parish. 20% is sent to the Diocesan Office for use to assist priests working elsewhere in the diocese when parochial finances are insufficient to run the parish and also look after the local clergy.



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

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CHILD SAFEGUARDING

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VOCATIONS

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