



# NEWSLETTER SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT YEAR C

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Tuesday – Thursday 9:30am-4:30pm



**FHÉILE PÁDRAIG - HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!**

Wishing everyone a most enjoyable day and every blessing to you and your families; thinking especially of family members living abroad.



**The Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal invite you to “LIGHT THE FIRE”. 5pm Vespers on the Hill of Slane, followed by a Rosary procession to the Church; 6.15pm Mass in St Patrick’s Church followed by Eucharistic Adoration. All are welcome. Event details: [www.franciscansisterscfr.com/st-anthony](http://www.franciscansisterscfr.com/st-anthony) or 041 983 0441.**

## MASS INTENTIONS

### CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, DONORE

**Sunday 11am** Marie Condra M.M.; Joe Doonan; John Green; Thomas & Mary Reid.

**Monday 11am St Patricks Day Missa pro populo**

**Tuesday 9am** followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

**Wednesday 9am** Missa pro populo

**Thursday 9am** Missa pro populo

**Friday 9am** Missa pro populo

**Sunday 11am** Noel Maguire M.M.; James Domegan; James & Jane Gorman & dec family.

### CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, ROSSNAREE

**Saturday 6pm** Patrick & Mary Gough.

**Sunday 6pm St Patricks Day Missa pro populo**

**Saturday 6pm** Joyce McGinty M.M.; Patrick & Jane Gogan; Paddy & Mary Kinsella; Archie McGinty.



**Monday** Make time with everyone at home to pray the Rosary for peace in our troubled world

**Tuesday** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6-7pm St. Cianán’s Duleek

**Wednesday** Morning Mass at 7:30am in St Cianán’s Duleek.

**Thursday** Lectio Divina (sharing the Gospel) online at 8pm (email parish office for link)

**Friday** Visit the churches to mediate upon the Stations of the Cross

**Saturday** Guided Holy Hour and Benediction followed by Confessions in St. Cianán’s Duleek

**Sunday** Invite a relative or friend who hasn’t been for a while to come with you to Mass

In each of our churches a Cross will be displayed for Lent, whatever crosses you may be carrying, please come and place your pain or burden or affliction or addiction before Jesus, as we make this journey of Lent 2025.

**Trocaire Boxes can be picked up in the churches. [www.trocaire.org](http://www.trocaire.org)**

## POPE FRANCIS’ MESSAGE FOR LENT 2025 on the theme: “Let us journey together in hope”

Dear brothers and sisters, This Lent, as we share in the grace of the Jubilee Year, I would like to propose a few reflections on what it means to *journey together in hope*, and on the summons to conversion that God in his mercy addresses to all of us, as individuals and as a community. First of all, *to journey*. The Jubilee motto, “Pilgrims of Hope”, evokes the lengthy journey of the people of Israel to the Promised Land, as recounted in the Book of Exodus. [ ] It is hard to think of the biblical exodus without also thinking of those of our brothers and sisters who in our own day are fleeing situations of misery and violence in search of a better life for themselves and their loved ones. A first call to conversion thus comes from the realization that all of us are pilgrims in this life; each of us is invited to stop and ask how our lives reflect this fact. Am I really on a journey, or am I standing still, not moving, either immobilized by fear and hopelessness or reluctant to move out of my comfort zone? Am I seeking ways to leave behind the occasions of sin and situations that degrade my dignity? It would be a good Lenten exercise for us to compare our daily life with that of some migrant or foreigner, to learn how to sympathize with their experiences and in this way discover what God is asking of us so that we can better advance on our journey to the house of the Father. This would be a good “examination of conscience” for all of us wayfarers. *Full text [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va)*

**THE JUBILEE PRAYER** Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.



**MEATH DIOCESAN JUBILEE YEAR PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES “WITH MARY PILGRIMS OF HOPE”** The Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, under the leadership of Bishop Deenihan, will travel on 9th September 2025. Pilgrims may choose between a 4-night or a 5-night stay. All pilgrims will be accommodated in Hotels and fares begin at €829 for full board. Booking forms are available through Joe Walsh Tours. For further inquiries telephone 01-2410800.

MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket Collection): € 347  
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly Envelopes): € 757  
**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: 8, 9, 13, 23**

Jackpot €1,580

Consolation prize €50 George Tully

Next week’s jackpot €1,600



**CHILDREN’S CHOIR!** Looking forward to our next Mass in St Cianan’s Church, Duleek on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April. Please arrive at 6.15pm to prepare for the 7pm Mass. **ADULTS AND YOUTH!** If anyone would like to get involved with providing music in Donore or Rossnaree please chat to Frs. Mark or Declan after Mass or contact the Parish Office.

## 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](http://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](http://www.dioseseofmeath.ie)

