



# NEWSLETTER EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

**DONORE PARISH** WITH DULEEK PARISH  
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2<sup>ND</sup> MARCH 2025



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Tuesday – Thursday 9:30am-4:30pm

## MASS INTENTIONS

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

**Sunday 11am** Anne Ebbs 1<sup>st</sup> Ann; Tony Ebbs.

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

**Ash Wednesday 9am Day of prayer, fast & abstinence**  
7:30am & 7pm in Duleek

**Thursday 9am** Missa pro populo

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**Sunday 11am** Michael Drew MM; Rose Lawlor

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

**Saturday 6pm** Teresa Smith.

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Blessed ashes will be available on Ash Wednesday in all our churches. If you are unable to attend Mass try to visit a church during the day; pray before the Cross and the Lenten Garden as we begin the journey of Lent, seeking the merciful love of God.

MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket Collection): € 225  
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly Envelopes): € 300  
**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.



**INTO YOUR HANDS O LORD, WE COMMEND:**  
Noel Maguire, St. Mary's Villas, Donore.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Lotto:**  
Jackpot  
Next week's jackpot

**St Vincent de Paul** church gate collection will be held at all masses on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> and Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March.

**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)



As we begin Lent 2025 let us be courageous witnesses to the example of Jesus by imitating His wilderness or desert experience which he undertook before he began the three years of his public mission which ultimately led him to Jerusalem and his Passion, Death and Resurrection! As he prayed, we pray; as he fasted, we fast, as he give of himself and took on the Gospel mission, we give of our charity and take on renewed Christian purpose! Set aside an extra bit of time for prayer, daily Mass, or charity work. Maybe set up a sacred space/altar in your home with the Bible at the centre and use the Trocaire Box as a visible reminder of how fortunate we are and of what we can share with those whose needs are greater. And of course we traditionally give up some favourite foods/sweets or even T.V., iPad or Social Media time as a way of fasting for Lent! As Catholics we are asked to abstain from meat every Friday and if possible every Wednesday, you might consider this for Lent!

**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

Invite your spouse or family or even a friend to join with you in doing these Lenten events. Maybe offer to travel together from the other faith communities of Bellewstown, Donore and Rossnaree to participate in Christian solidarity as we recall the words of Jesus, "Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there with you". 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)**

**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.

**THE PARISH PASTORAL ASSEMBLY** This past month we asked everyone to please engage with how to enhance our Masses in Duleek, Donore and Rossnaree with Music! **For those interested with their musical & singing talents to get involved we invite you to meet in St. Cianán's Church Duleek on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March at 7:30pm.**



**CHILDREN'S CHOIR!** Would your child like to join a children's choir in St. Cianán's Church, Duleek? We are inviting you to join us once a month beginning on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2025 at 6.15 pm to prepare for the 7pm Mass.

**FIRST FRIDAY COMMUNION CALLS** This Thursday Fr. Mark will call to parishioners who are sick and housebound in Donore and Fr. Declan will call to Duleek.

