



NEWSLETTER THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (GAUDETE)

Fr. John Conlon P.P.
Fr Emmanuel Ibitoye A.P.
St. Mary's Parochial House
Drogheda,
Co. Louth A92 DC90
Tel: 041-9838347



SCAN ME

Fr. Derek Ryan C.C.
Parochial House,
Ballsgrove,
Drogheda
Co Louth A92 W2PW
Tel: 041-9831991

14TH DEC 2025

C/o St Mary's Parish Office
24 James Street
Drogheda,
Co. Louth
A92 NH31
Tel: 041-9834587

Email: stmarysdrogheda@gmail.com www.donorerossnareeparish.com



MASS INTENTIONS

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, DONORE

Sunday 14th 11am Anthony Doonan; Margaret Finnegan & her daughter Alacoque Ryan;

Tuesday 16th 9am Mass followed by *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

Wednesday 17th 9am Mass

Thursday 18th 9am Mass

Friday 19th 9am Mass Thomas & Ita Knight; Anne Walker;

Sunday 21st 11am Noel Martin, *birthday remembrance*, John Martin & deceased members of the Reilly & Martin Families;

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, ROSSNAREE

Saturday 13th 6pm Helena Tully; Mary Tully;

Saturday 20th 6pm Maisie & Pat McGauran; Thomas Carroll; Peter, Margaret, John & Ann McDermott; Paddy Shiels;

MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket Collection): €382.00
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly Envelopes): €321.00

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; LIAM GOUGH, ROSSNAREE

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Helpline 1800 677 777 or
Contact 087-0931068

SAMARITANS

(supporting those in emotional distress 24/7)
Freephone number 116123.
Email jo@samaritans.ie

ACCORD

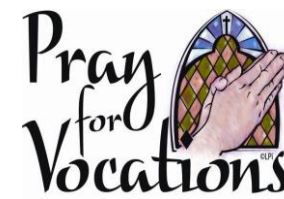
For Marriage Preparation Courses or for marriage and relationship counselling www.accord.ie

CHILD SAFEGUARDING

See the church notice boards and diocesan website

VOCATIONS

Ever think about becoming a priest for the Diocese of Meath? Contact Fr. John www.dioceseofmeath.ie

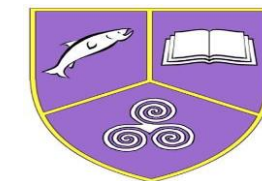


PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS IN THE DIOCESE OF MEATH

For our seminarians and all those who will be the future priests of our diocese, that they will be prophetic proclaimers of the Good News of God's liberating love revealed in the person of Jesus Christ.



#HaveYourSay about your Catholic School: *For Attention of Parents of children attending Primary Schools or have yet to start:* The Department of Education is currently conducting a Primary School Survey that will determine the future provision of Primary Schools and crucially could lead to lasting changes in your school. In simple, direct terms, you are being asked if you want your school to stay a Catholic school or if you want that to change. Don't leave it to others, have your say before 16 December 2025. See - <https://www.gov.ie/en/department-of-education/campaigns/primary-school-survey/>



Caretaker position at Donore National School - please

see <https://www.educationposts.ie/> or call the school office for more information 041 9880118

Donore Parish Christmas Mass schedule 2025

We are delighted to invite you to join with us for the celebration of Christmas Mass

On **Christmas Eve** at 6pm
in the Church of the Nativity of Our Lady, Rossnaree & in the Church of the Nativity of Our Lady, Donore at 8pm.

On **Christmas Day** at 11am
in the Church of the Nativity of Our Lady, Donore.

Confessions for Christmas
St Mary's Church, Drogheda
Sunday 21st December after 7pm Mass
(Visiting Priests attending)

www.donorerossnareeparish.com



Third Sunday of Advent



Today is traditionally called "Gaudete Sunday".

Gaudete in Latin means **Rejoice**.

In our churches, the rose-coloured candle is lit on the Advent wreath to symbolise joy.

Our waiting takes the form of a hopeful expectation rather than an anxious waiting.

One of the central themes of Advent is repentance. Please avail of the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Sunday next 21st December after 7pm Mass in St Mary's.

A number of visiting priests will be available.

"The Lord never tires of forgiving.

It is we who tire of asking for forgiveness"

"Are we ready to be Christians full time showing our commitment by word and deed?"

Pope Francis

COMMUNITY NOTICES

The Drogheda Hospice Homecare Foundation are currently seeking volunteer drivers to assist cancer patients with transportation to their appointments, both within the local area and in Dublin. This service is essential and available to all, providing crucial support, particularly to our more marginalized and elderly patients. There are no minimum hour requirements; drivers are simply asked to contribute the time they are able to offer. For any interested parties, please feel free to contact Ann at 0863264825 for further information.

