

NEWSLETTER FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING YEAR C

DONORE PARISH WITH DULEEK PARISH

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MASS INTENTIONS

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, DONORE

SundayTuesday11am William & Mary Gogarty & dec family.9am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10am

No Mass this Wednesday (9:30am in Bellewstown)

Thursday
9am Parish List of the Dead
Friday
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Sunday
11am Nicky Condra M.M

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, ROSSNAREE

Saturday 6:30pm Parish List of the Dead.

Saturday 6:30pm Christy Hand; John & Fiona Martin & dec Reilly & Martin families.



MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket Offering): € 385
PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly envelopes): € 402

Donore Parish Development Fund Account Number:

IBAN IE38 AIBK 9320 9446 7323 44



If you prefer to use this QR code instead of the basket collection just scan your phone over it and follow the guide.

VESTMENTS FOR MASS If anyone would like to make a donation for the purchase of new vestments, linen clothes, etc. it is always appreciated, as over time such items are purchased for the liturgical celebrations in our churches. Thanks to parishioners who assist our sacristans with the laundering and preparing things for our weekly liturgies.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Lotto: 10, 18, 19, 25 No jackpot winner. Consolation prizes €25 The Oldbridge 6 and Barry Hand. Next week's jackpot €5,890.

A Stitch in Time are back every Monday

morning in Donore Parish Hall from 11am-1pm. All are welcome. New and old members €5. Call in for tea, coffee, biscuits and a chat. **Meath Befriending Service** aims to help reduce loneliness and isolation through a weekly home visit from a Befriender. To avail of this service or make a referral contact Eva 0858622496 or email

eva.ofarrell@meathpartnership.ie

Meals on Wheels urgently require drivers and kitchen volunteers. If you can help please contact Maureen 0879932649.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 087-0931068

Annual Christmas Appeal Church gate collection will take place outside all churches on the weekend of 3rd & 4th December

ACCORD

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

CHILD SAFEGUARDING

See the church notice boards and diocesan website www.dioceseofmeath.ie

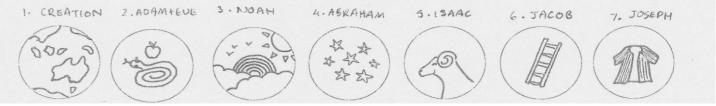
ADVENT BEGINS NEXT WEEK in preparation we invite our children in the parish to learn more about: **THE STORY OF THE JESSE TREE**

Jesse was the father of the great King David of the Old Testament. He is often looked upon as the first person in the genealogy of Jesus. In Church art a design developed showing the relationship of Jesus with Jesse and other biblical personages. This design showed a branched tree growing from a reclining figure of Jesse. The various branches had pictures of other Old and New Testament figures who were ancestors of Jesus. At the top of the tree were figures of Mary and Jesus. This design was used mostly in stained glass windows in some of the great medieval cathedrals of Europe. The Cathedral of Chartres, France (which was dedicated in 1260) has a particularly beautiful Jesse Tree window. Another development in religious art during the Middle Ages was that of Mystery Plays—drama that depicted various Bible stories or lives of Saints and Martyrs. These plays were performed in churches as part of the liturgical celebrations. One such play was based on the Bible account of the fall of Adam and Eve. The "Tree of Life" used during the play was decorated with apples. Combining the two ideas of the stained glass Jesse Tree window and the Tree of Life from the Mystery Play we come up with our Jesse Tree Advent project. This custom has been used for years to help Christians to prepare for Christmas. It's the Family Tree of our Faith!

Please help decorate our parish JESSE TREES

To make the Jesse Tree ornaments you will need: glue; ribbon or yarn (preferably purple); and crayons, markers, paints or coloured pencils, and cardboard stock to create paper background for the ornaments. The symbols may be decorated with bits and pieces of bright coloured paper, cloth, wood, etc., that you may find around your home. You will also need a Bible. If there are very small children in the family, a Bible picture story book will help them understand the Bible stories used. We will use the Tree of Memory in the churches and turn it into our Jesse Tree. Before making a symbol first read with your parents or grandparents the Bible verses relating to the symbol. This will help you think of ways to illustrate your Bible verse. Use lots of creativity in making your symbol! You can use pictures from magazines or old cards. Or draw pictures or symbols yourself. Colour them with crayons, pencils, markers or paint. Look around the house for bits and pieces that will make your design more beautiful!

JESSE TREE Bible verses and suggested symbols: Advent Week 1 Creation: Gen. 1:1-31; 2:1-4 Symbols: sun, moon, stars, earth Adam and Eve: Gen. 2:7-9, 18-24 Gen. 3:1-7 and 23-24 Symbols: tree, serpent, apple Noah: Gen. 6:5-8, 13-22; 7:17, 23, 24; 8:1, 6-22 Symbols: ark, animals, dove, rainbow Abraham: Gen. 12:1-3 Symbols: torch, sword, mountain Isaac: Gen. 22:1-14 Symbols: bundle of wood, altar, ram. Jacob: Gen. 25:1-34; 28:10-15 Symbols: kettle, ladder Joseph: Gen. 37:23-28; 45:3-15



Symbols: bucket, well, silver coins, coat of many colours

Bring your symbols to Mass next week and Fr. Mark will invite you to hang them on the Jesse Tree.



TREE OF MEMORY In both our churches we have placed a *Tree of Memory* on which we placed the names of our parishioners who lived here in the parish and who died in the past twelve months. Everyone is invited to write the names of their loved ones who died elsewhere this past year and also place them on the branches. Tags are available at the foot of the Tree. Also, if you wish simply to remember those who are part of your Family Tree and are now gone before us into God's eternal merciful embrace, then please write their names and add them to our *Tree of Memory*.

In the front porch of the Church of the Nativity of Our Lady, Donore you are welcome to place memorial cards of deceased parishioners as we recall their memory and pray for the gentle repose of their souls with God and the great company of the angels and saints in Heaven.



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.



The count down for *World Youth Day 2023 1st-6TH August*, which will take place in Lisbon, Portugal, has begun. It is time to save the date and prepare for the journey. Pope Francis has registered and invites those aged 18-35 to gather from all parts of the world in joyful celebration of the faith and identity we share in Jesus Christ, Saviour of the World. We look at the example of the young Mary of Nazareth and seek her to intercede and guide all young people. "*Mary arose and went with Haste" Lk. 1:39* Follow www.dioceseofmeath.ie & Facebook: Meath Diocese WYD. Watch this space for more info in the coming weeks.