

NEWSLETTER TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY YEAR A

DONORE PARISH WITH DULEEK PARISH

PARISHES OF THE DULEEK DEANERY

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FIRST FRIDAY COMMUNION

CALLS Fr. Mark & Fr Francis

will do communion calls for

Duleek this Thursday and

Donore this Friday.

1ST OCTOBER 2023

MASS INTENTIONS

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, DONORE Sunday 11am Josephine McGreal; Anne Walker.

Tuesday 9am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10am

No Mass on Wednesday (9.30am Bellewstown)

Co. Meath

Thursday 9am Anne Walker.

First Friday 9am Parish List of the Dead.

Sunday **11am** Missa pro populo.

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY, ROSSNAREE

Saturday **6.30pm** Missa pro populo.

Saturday 6:30pm Mai White.



MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket Collection): € 240 PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly Envelopes): € 524

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.

CHY3 FORMS Many parishioners will have received correspondence with regard to the Tax Rebate which all charities (including parishes) can benefit from. It can generate a substantial amount at no cost to the individual. All who contribute €250 or more in offerings over the year can claim the rebate. Please kindly return the completed forms at your earliest convenience. As ever thanks to everyone for their support.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Lotto: 1, 7, 15, 19 No Jackpot winner Consolation prizes €25 Niall Curran & Margaret McLoone. Next week's jackpot €3,500.

The Dukuleles (a Duleek based ukulele band) are performing for Duleek Community First Responder Group at their fundraiser concert on Sat 21st October at 8:30pm in The Courthouse, Duleek Admission only €5 payable at the door.

Meath Partnership are looking for volunteers who would like to make new connections and build new friendships, supporting and encouraging participants to practice and improve their language skills through informal community based conversational English classes. Classes are informal and conversational and whilst teaching experience can be useful, being chatty and welcoming is just as valuable. Classes will be held in Saint Mary's Parish Hall, Donore on Monday afternoons from 2pm to 4pm. Start date to be confirmed. For more information contact Emma on 089-4366894.

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

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



The Catholic Church for the past two years has been preparing for this great Synod, a 2'0 2 | "walking on the way together". Pope Francis has asked, "How can the Church better fulfil her mission of offering hope to ALL people?" The Holy Father wants the whole church to

practice being 'Synodal', walking together and praying for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit so we will hear what God is saying to us now in these days. The Pope uses three words when he talks about Synod: Communion, Participation, and Mission. We are not being invited simply to put forward opinions or even to debate, but rather to listen prayerfully to the Holy Spirit speaking to us as individuals, families, worshipping communities, and all our brothers and sisters. In advance of the first assembly of the Universal Synod, which begins on 4th October 2023, an ecumenical prayer vigil is taking place in Rome this evening 30th September to unite us all in praise and worship. In extending this invitation to Together | Gathering of the People of God, Pope Francis reminded us that 'the path to Christian unity and the path of synodal conversion of the Church are linked'. In a special way, young people from across the world, from all Church backgrounds, have been invited to Rome and have been

welcomed for a weekend of sharing, to journey together as the people of God to pray for the work of the Synod and the prayer of Our Lord Jesus Christ that one day we would all be one (John 17:21). This initiative has been guided by the Taize Community. Please follow all the events via the diocesan website www.dioceseofmeath.ie and the Vatican website www.vatican.va



OCTOBER is the Month dedicated to the Holy Rosary and also to the Mission of the Church. Amid all the



difficulties everyone is trying to cope with as we face into the winter don't forget the power of prayer!! Despite everything, we know how blessed we are to live in this part of the world. So let us count our blessings and pray for those who live in parts of the world crippled with great distress. We especially hold in our prayers all who serve as missionaries giving gospel solidarity to the poorest of the poor in the world. We pray too for the Synod throughout this holy month. Together let us renew the mission entrusted to each one of us to share our faith and to pray as a family. In offering the few minutes for the daily rosary we simply, yet powerfully, use the

blessed beads to mediate upon the mysteries of life and seek the intercession of Our Heavenly Mother. 'We fly to Thy protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin'.

CONFIRMATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024 It is important that those families seeking the gift of these sacraments take time and make effort in preparing their children by participating in the Parish Masses and other pastoral activities provided throughout the pastoral year leading up to the celebration of the sacraments. The sacraments are much more than just a one day event or party but an ongoing encounter with the Risen Lord, through the power of the Holy Spirit, in the merciful love of Our Heavenly Father. We implore the guidance and intercession of Our Lady, St. Joseph and all the Saints as we journey together as a Faith Community at home, at church and at school. Enrolment Forms for the children, with the support of their families, who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation and make their First Holy Communion, will be available after Masses this weekend or from the Parish Office during Office Hours this week. Enrolment weekend will take place on Sunday next 7th/8th October. On handing in their enrolment form each child will receive a Passport as they begin this spiritual journey. Over the time ahead they will receive a stamp or sticker as they mark special Faith moments along the way. Please pray for and encourage the children and their families as they grow in the Faith, Hope and Love we share as Catholics.



SCHOOL ENROLMENT It is the time of year for families to enrol their children for the following academic year 2024/25. We draw your attention to this period and especially for those who will have their first child starting 'big school'! The parish schools, Duleek Boys & Girls, Mounthanover, Bellewstown and Cushenstown, will commence accepting applications for admission from Monday 9th October until Monday 6th November. Please see the school websites www.duleekbns.ie, www.duleekgns.ie,www.mounthanoverns.ie, www.bellewstownns.com and www.cushinstownns.com or contact the school offices directly for more information.