# **NEWSLETTER** Second Sunday of Advent Year B



**DULEEK PARISH** WITH DONORE PARISH PARISHES OF THE DULEEK DEANERY

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## MASS INTENTIONS

### ST. CIANÁN'S. DULEEK

- Saturday 7:30pm Richard, Cepta, Claire & James Lenehan; Johnny Lenehan; Harry O'Connor; Lockie O'Sullivan; Maisie Reilly.
- Sunday 9am Paddy & Kathleen Joyce & dec family; Charlie, Rosemary, Thomas & Margaret Ryan; Jimmy & Gordon Cudden;
- **12noon** Kevin, Rena, Eamon & Patrick Andrews; Joey Egan & dec family; Peg, Eddie, Aidan & Paddy Seary; Sunday Cepta Cudden; Baby Darragh McGarry; Thomas & Maureen Nee.

9.30am Nora Barry; John Dardis Miraculous Medal Novena – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6-7pm) Tuesday No Mass on Wednesday Morning (Bellewstown 9.30am)

Thursday 9.30am Sarah, Christy & Sean Weldon.

Friday 9.30am Missa pro populo.

- 7:30pm Norman Mason M.M; John Clarke & dec Brodigan family; John, Rita & Frank Dardis; Noel McAree; Saturday Angela, Tom & Kathy Gallagher; Ann McDermott; Carmel & Andrea McQuaile; Eddie Moss. 9am Michael Mimna; John O'Brien.
- Sunday **12noon** Frances Wall 1<sup>st</sup> Ann; Rose Keely 1<sup>st</sup> Ann; Christy Wall. Sunday

Every Saturday Holy Hour of Adoration & Benediction in St. Cianan's Duleek 5-6pm. Confessions from 6-6:30pm

## ST. THÉRÉSE'S, BELLEWSTOWN

Sunday 10am Harry & Lily Flood & dec family; Cameron Hagan; John & Julia Kelly; Margaret & Roger Hampson. Wednesday 9.30am John & Mary Kirwan; Mary Lawlor Adoration 8.30am-9.30am

Sunday 10am Vera & Leslie Ball; May Brannigan; Maureen Collier; John Hickey.



MASS OFFERTORY COLLECTION (Basket Collection): € 1,265.99 PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (Weekly envelopes): € 805 **Duleek Parish Development Fund Account Number:** IBAN IE26 AIBK 9323 9604 1618 61



If you have no cash you can just scan your phone over this QR code to contribute to the basket collection

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Caroline Doyle

The Parish Office

Parochial House

10am-5pm

Tuesday to Thursday

### All kindly check in at the sacristy before Mass

TO ASSIST NEXT WEEKEND ST. CIANÁN'S MINISTERS OF THE WORD FOR 17<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> December

Sat 7:30pm Sam Power & Geraldine Little Sun 9am Declan & Freddie Murray Sun 12 noon David McGuinness & Majella Armstrong ST. CIANÁN'S MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION 16<sup>TH</sup> & 17<sup>TH</sup> DEC TEAM C

Sat Vigil 7.30pm Rosemary Reilly; Sam Power; Debbie O'Sullivan Sun 9am Billy Doyle; William Maguire; Pat Shanley Sun 12noon Colm Heeney; Liz Lynch; Mairead Cromwell.

ST. THÉRÉSE'S MINISTER OF THE WORD 17<sup>TH</sup> DEC Caroline Jenkinson MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION Joe Collins & Rose Forbes



## IN BAPTISM WE WELCOME INTO OUR FAITH **COMMUNITY:** Annie Rose Power.

### **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

A Cake Sale will be held this Sunday 10th December in Bellewstown Primary School at 10.45am to raise funds for the children of Gaza. All funds go to UNICEF, no overheads. Please support. For further information please contact Sheila 0872397496. The Duleek Senior Citizens Outings Committee are holding their Annual Christmas Party on Saturday 16th December in the Carranstown Lodge, Duleek at 1.30pm. Bus will be leaving Duleek Church for anyone who needs transport at 1pm sharp. To join the party you or your partner must be of pension age. For more information or if anyone would like to donate spot prizes please contact 087 2782925, 086 2570441 or 086 3106282.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 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

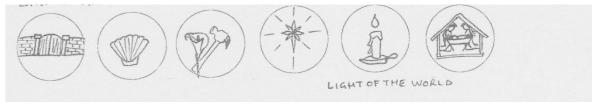
**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (R.C.I.A.)** For anyone enquiring about becoming a Catholic and for those baptised who never celebrated the Sacraments of Holy Communion or Confirmation. More info on all the above on www.dioseseofmeath.ie

**ADVENT** Make the time for lighting an Advent Wreath at home each day or for opening the doors on the Advent Calendar as we count down to Jesus' birthday. Pause and pray the Angelus, which reminds us of the generous response of Our Lady and our shared role in God's divine plan of love and salvation. Think more of the poverty of the crib and the needs of the poorest in our world this Christmas 2023!

BABY JESUS IN THE CRIB Special invitation to all the children to bring the figure of the Baby Jesus from their family crib for a blessing at Masses next weekend the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent. "The Nativity Scene is the suggestive place where we contemplate Jesus, who having assumed our wretchedness, invites us to do likewise through our acts of mercy." Pope Francis

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!

JESSE TREE Bible verses and suggested symbols Advent Week 3 Jesus is Wisdom: Sirach or Ecclesiasticus 24:2; Wisdom 8:1 Symbol: oil lamp. Joseph: Matt. 1:18-25 Symbol: hammer. Mary: Matt. 1:18-25; Luke 1:26-38 Symbol: lily. John the Baptist: Mark 1:1-8 Symbol: shell with water. Jesus is Lord: Ex. 3:2; 20:1 Symbols: burning bush. Jesus is Flower of Jesse: Isaiah 11:1-3 Symbols: flower. Jesus is Key of David: Isaiah 22:22 Symbols: key. Jesus is the Radiant Dawn: Psalm 19:6-7 (in older Bibles this will be Psalm 18) Symbols: sun rising. Jesus is King of the Gentiles: Psalm 2:7-8; Ephesians 2:14-20 Symbols: crown Jesus is Emmanuel: Isaiah 7:14; 33:22 Symbols: chalice and host. Jesus is Light of the World: John 1:1-14 Symbols: candle



Bring your symbols to Mass next week when the priest will invite you to hang them on the Jesse Tree.

YOUTH MEET & PRAYER GATHERING (+18 years) will take place in St. Patrick's Church Trim at 7:30pm on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January. This is an opportunity for young adults to join together for prayer, reflection & discussion assisted with the support and guidance of priests from the diocese and the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal. Share the invite and bring a friend or two. Contact Fr. Mark English for more info: duleekparish@gmail.com.

YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME by the Ceilí Community, Kilbeggan with the support of the Diocese of Meath commencing early February 2024. For young people between 18 - 30, it is a course of 8 modules, one weekend a month. Equips with knowledge, skills, practical tools and techniques needed for creative and comprehensive ministry with youth in parishes. Accredited by St Mary's University College, Queen's University, Belfast. Tuition fees cost approx. €120 per module. For more information email school@ceilicommunity.net or call/text 087 9789150.

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

**HOSPITALITY** A cuppa is provided after the 12 noon Sunday Mass as we share a few minutes of hospitality, especially getting to know new parishioners or visitors passing by. Feel free to bring a few buns etc any Sunday!



**CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT** takes place in St. Therésé's, Bellewstown Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm. An evening of sacred music and reflection to lead us to the celebration of Christmas.

PARISH CHRISTMAS CARDS & OFFERING ENVELOPES are now ready for distribution and we are most grateful to the many volunteers who assist with the distribution throughout the parish. Could all who help as distributors call to the Parish Office from Tuesday to Thursday this week. Thanking you!

Ministry