

**90% of Irish adults donated to charity last year – survey**

**Ailbhe Conneely writes** Nine out of ten adults in Ireland donated to a charity over the last year, according to findings from the Charities Regulator. A survey conducted by Amárach Research has shown that the nature of those donations "changed significantly" over the past two years. Financial contributions declined from 74% to 59%, while the numbers donating goods increased from 43% to 57%. The survey, which was conducted online among a sample of 2,000 adults, also found that having trust and confidence in a charity is very important when deciding to donate - up from 65% on 2020, when a similar study was undertaken. Dublin saw the most number of donations, followed by Connaught/Ulster, the rest of Leinster and Munster. The types of charities that were most strongly supported during the past 12 months included medical or health related (44%), homeless or refuge services (43%), local community organisations (41%), children or youth services (29%) and animal rescue or welfare (29%). More than eight out of ten people (84%) said they felt that charities and the work they do in Irish society is important. A personal interest or a connection to a charity/issue remains the single largest influence (58%) for deciding which charity to support, while news and media reports about a charity (13%) is the second largest influencer. The survey found that a potential donor checking the bona fides of a charity before deciding to donate, would look at the charity's website (38%), online media reports relating to the charity (33%) and check whether the organisation is on the Register of Charities on the Charities Regulator website (33%). Almost a quarter of respondents (24%) said the reason they supported a specific charity was because they "know it is well run". More than half (56%) of those who donate money to charity gave at least six times in the past year, with the purchase of raffle/lottery tickets being the most common form of financial donation. Those who donated money to charity gave a higher average contribution last year - €169 compared to €155 in 2020, but charities "seem to be becoming more dependent" on over the over 55s, as this group donated the largest sums of money. Additionally, it found that there was a hierarchy of trust within the charity sector among the Irish public, as small local char-

ities tend to generate the highest level of trust, while there are more neutral attitudes to larger national and international charities. check the Register of Charities on the regulator's website before making a donation to any Irish charity **Thank you for supporting Trocaire** this year, the box can be dropped into any of our churches in the next while



**Sacrament of Confirmation** was celebrated on Wednesday last 10th May, 3 ceremonies took place, Scoil Spioraid Naoimh –Queen of Peace Church at 10am, Donoughmore at 11.30am and Knockea at 1pm. We were delighted to have Bishop Brendan with us to confirm the children on the day. We congratulate these young people, their parents, teachers and all in the community who have prepared them for this special time.



**First Holy Communion** Congratulations to our boys and girls from Donoughmore school celebrating their Holy Communion this weekend and next up on Sat. 20th May 1pm Scoil Spioraid Naoimh at Knockea Church

**Our Church's and Grounds are a credit** as Bishop Leahy mentioned last week and especially for the ceremonies of First Communion and Confirmation these days, we really appreciate all the good work done to have them always looking so well. Muile buiochas.duit.

**Our Prayers and Sympathies:** to the family of Kevin McAuliffe Bruff, late Old Cork rd. May he rest in Peace.

**Gravervard Massaes** Monday 15th Donoughmore 7.30pm Tuesday 16th May Cahernorry 7.30pm. Please note the week after, Monday 22nd May Raheen 7.30pm and Mt. St Oliver 23rd May 7.30pm

**On-line Donations system** An alternative facility to allow parishioners make financial contributions to the church and clergy. Use the camera on your smartphone to scan this QR Code to bring you directly to our payments site or alternatively go to our parish website [www.dkrparish.ie](http://www.dkrparish.ie) and follow the DONATE button on the home page We thank you for your financial support be it through envelope, cheque and online .



**Remembered In Mass**

**Donoughmore**



Sat.13th May	7pm	Kathleen Sheehan (MM). Nancy Delahunty (MM) Marie Hartigan (1st) Michael & Margaret Gunning
Mon. 15th May	10m	
Tues 16th	10am	No Mass
Fri 19th		
Sat. 20th May	7pm	(MM) Elizabeth (Beth) Brosnan
<b>Knockea</b>		
Sun 14th	11am	May & Tommy Hartigan. (1st) Eithne Clifford. Stephen & Bridget Slattery
Wed. 17th	10am	William Malone
Sun 21st	11am	Liam Godfrey. (MM) Mary Barry (MM) Terry Brown Mary O'Halloran (7th)

**DKR Comm. Café** in the courthouse Ballyneety on Fridays 10.30-call in for a free cup of tea/coffee,.

**Donoughmore Knockea Roxboro Community alert membership is now overdue for 2023.** The benefits of a safer community are important to all living/working within the DKR community. In 2023 DKR is operating on the local text message from An Garda and also with an App. *The benefits of using this App is that all Garda Alerts through the App Community Alerts through the App, Property*

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The Eircode for St. Patrick's Church, Donoughmore is **V94 V6T3**. Knockea is **V94 D938**.  
**Pastoral Unit 'Sli Padraig' Patrick's Way ;Donoughmore /Knockea/ Roxboro, Queen of Peace, Holy Family**

*Log, Panic Button . Any person interested in joining please give name in, phone number and email address Venue: Sessions House Ballyneety any morning between 9 to 1.30 Monday to Friday. Membership is €6.00 per phone.*  
**Roof at the Dominican Church Limerick** , Louise Morrissey and guests –Denis Allen, Denis Carey, Marty Daniels, Norman Morrissey, all at the Radisson Blu Hotel on Friday 26th May, tickets €25 available at Haven Pharmacy, Davis St or St. Saviours Dominican parish office , 085 2255796.  
**Weekly Lotto** €4,500 no winner, winning No 3,11,20,21. Lucky dips.1.Paul Walsh 2.Stephen Ryan 3. Conor Moynihan 4 Becky & Trevor c/o Josephine Hayes 5Kevin Sarsfield c/o Wurth 6.Donal Donnelly Next Jackpot €4, 600 Draw Tues 16th May 9.30pm The Four Elms

