

Parish Newsletter



**Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
13th November 2016**

No 1575

Luke 21: 5-19



Only in God's Time

For anyone who followed the American election, I'm sure you'd agree that predictions are difficult to make.

Here are some fine examples from times past:

- Thomas Watson, chairman of IBM, in 1943 said, "I think there is a world market for maybe five computers."
- Popular Mechanics magazine in 1949 made this prediction: "Where a calculator on the ENIAC is equipped with 18,000 vacuum tubes and weighs 30 tons, computers in the future may have only 1,000 vacuum tubes and weigh only 1.5 tons."
- There was an inventor by the name of Lee DeForest. He claimed that "While theoretically and technically television may be feasible, commercially and financially it is an impossibility."
- The Decca Recording Co. made a big mistake when they made this prediction: "We don't like their sound, and guitar music is on the way out." That was their prediction in 1962 concerning a few lads from Liverpool. Their band was called the Beatles.

I suggest two learnings from today's Gospel. Firstly, as Jesus told the disciples that not one stone of the temple would be left standing, they were left shocked, the temple was an amazing building I'm sure they said "Look, teacher! What massive stones! What magnificent buildings!" yet forty years later the prediction came true. In 70 AD the Temple was destroyed by Rome. What are we to learn from this prediction and its fulfilment? Perhaps true faith isn't limited to buildings and places like the Temple, our Church or magnificent Cathedrals but is found in the humble heart of the repentant sinner, aware of their need for God's mercy and love.

And secondly be aware of the greatest of all biblical mysteries. In 23 of the 27 New Testament books there is the claim that Christ will one day return but we have no indication of when or what will usher it in. World events do not interfere with God's clock! Wars, earthquakes, international political instability, famine, persecution.....these, says Jesus, are not a sign of the end they are simply facts of life from the beginning.

Do not be alarmed these things must happen; the end is still to come. Be faithful, not afraid.

Prayers at St. Corbans Cemetery

To mark the month of November as a time when we pray for The Holy Souls

Prayers with Rosary will be recited **today, Sunday 13th November at 3pm.**

We invite those in attendance to gather in that space between the old and new parts of the Cemetery. **Please note that there will be no walk to the various Cemeteries this year.**



"Those who die in grace go no further than to God and God is very near".

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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Sallins email sallinsparishoffice@gmail.com

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BALLYCANE OFFICE AND SACRISTY : Tel 895629

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 1pm

PARISH TEAM

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FR MICHAEL FLATTERY SALLINS ROAD 089 4985973

FR ALEX KOCHATT LAKELANDS 888599

DN. FERGA O'NEILL Parish Deacon 086 3816133

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

Naas: Andrew Fagan and Geraldine Faherty

Two Mile House: Anita Comer Julian

They can be contacted through the Parish Office, Sallins Road, Naas. Phone 045 879730.

MASS TIMES

CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND ST. DAVID , SALLINS ROAD

WEEKDAYS: Mon-Fri 7.30am and 10am , Sat 10am

SUNDAYS: Sat Vigil 6pm Sun 9am, 11am and 6pm

CHURCH OF THE IRISH MARTYRS, BALLYCANE

WEEKDAYS: Mon, Wed and Fri 7.30pm

SUNDAYS: Sat Vigil 7.30pm Sun 10.30am, 12noon

CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND THE GUARDIAN ANGELS, SALLINS

WEEKDAYS: Tuesday and FRIDAY 10am

SUNDAYS: Sat Vigil 6.30pm Sun 10am and 12noon

CHURCH OF ST. PETER, TWO MILE HOUSE

WEEKDAYS: Friday 7pm

SUNDAYS: 11am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND ST. DAVID , SALLINS ROAD

Every First Friday before and after the 10am Mass

Every Saturday after the 10am Mass

FEAST AND MEMORIAL DAYS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

Monday 14th: St Laurence O'Toole, bishop.

Tuesday 15th: St Albert the Great, bishop.

Thursday 17th: St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious.

Friday 18th: Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss Peter and Paul.

THOSE WHO DIE IN GRACE GO BUT TO GOD

AND GOD IS VERY NEAR"

Naas:

Paddy Hackett, St Corbans Place

MAY HE REST IN PEACE



RECENT BAPTISMS

Naas:

Evie Caroline Kinchin, Dun na Ríogh Rise

Callum Jackson Higgins, Teampull Cearach

Eabha Marie Devey, Aylmer Park

Chiara Jayne Devey, Aylmer Park

Antoni Thomas Szczepkowski, Oldtown Gr

Jan Michaek Szczepkowski, Oldtown Gr



Sallins:

Jack Patrick Edwards, Osberstown Court

For those requesting the Sacrament of Baptism two weeks notice is required. Further details of Baptisms in Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House Parish at www.naasparish.ie/sacraments/baptism.



NAAS PARISH NEWS

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT - *'The Catholic Parish of Naas, in Communion with Christ and with one another and guided by the teaching of the Second Vatican Council, endeavours to welcome, serve and nourish the whole community.'*

Winter Closing Time for safety and security reasons during the Winter it is necessary to close the Church of Our Lady and St David, Sallins Road at **4pm**.

St Joseph's Young Priests Society next meeting takes place tomorrow, Monday 14th November at 8pm in the Parish Centre at the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. Adoration from 8pm to 9.30pm.

St Pio Prayer Group next meeting on Wednesday coming, 16th November at 7.10pm in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. All welcome.

The Sisters from St Elizabeth's Convent, Belarus will create a small display of their crafts in the Church Porch after the 10am Mass on Tuesday

morning coming, 15th November. Since the convent was founded the Sisters have provided spiritual and social help to the sick and suffering in Belarus and have supported more than 200 orphans with special needs.

Naas Active Retirement Assoc, members only, meeting on Wednesday coming, 16th November at 2pm in Naas Community Centre.

Scoil Bhríde, Oldtown, Naas: Application Forms for Junior Infant Enrolment 2017 can now be collected at the School Office. Completed Forms should be returned to the School Office by 3pm on Friday, 2nd December 2016.

Age Friendly Festival Events at Naas Library:
Knock on Wood "Woodturning" with Emmet Kane on Wednesday 16th November at 10.30am. Come to an illustrated talk and wood turning demonstration and see a Master Craftsman at work! Also.....

Dance Hall Days "Memories of the Showband Days" with Pat Lonergan on Thursday 17th November at 7pm. Come for a stroll down memory lane, to the days of dance hall queues and Hucklebuck shoes, with a particular look at some County Kildare connections. Booking is required for both events - by contacting Naas Library on 879111 or email naaslib@kildarecoco.ie

Table Quiz organised by St Mary's College Naas Past Pupils Union takes place in McCormack Pub, Naas on Thursday Nov 24th at 8.30pm. All monies generated will go to school funding.

Naas Flower and Garden Club are holding their *Annual Charity Gala Evening* in support of St Brigid's Hospice (The Curragh) on Thursday 24th November at 7.45pm in St Mary's College, Naas. Demonstration by Christine Hughes (AOIFA)

Songs of Praise Concert: Ballycane Church Choir are presenting a 'Songs of Praise Concert' at Ballycane Church on Sunday 27th November from 6.30pm to 8pm. Admission is free. The concert will consist of hymns and songs we love to sing throughout the year, all welcome to come and enjoy!

SALLINS NOTICE

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday coming, 15th November from 10.30am to 11am.

Confessions available in Sallins Church every Thursday from 2pm to 4pm.

Cake Sale and Monster Raffle in support of the *Senior Citizens Annual Christmas Party*, will take

place on Sunday 20th November after 10am and 12noon Masses. Donations of baked goods would be much appreciated. If you would like to bake a cake or goodies, you can leave them into the Community Centre from 9am on Sunday 20th.

TWO MILE HOUSE PARISH NEWS

Weekday morning Mass at 9.15am, Monday to Thursday, at St Peter's Church.

GENERAL NOTICES

Parish Finances:

Sallins: Baskets: € 845 Envelopes: € 390
Naas: Offertory: €3,845 Development €3,380
Two Mile House: € 740

Sports Lottery Results:

Naas: 3/11 (4-9-14-16), No winner, Jackpot €2,950
Sallins: 7/11 (10-22-41) No winner. Jackpot €6,250

A Memorial Service for Babies, who passed away through miscarriage, Still Birth and Neo Natal Deaths will be held in the Church Our Lady and St. Joseph, Caragh on Friday coming, 18th November at 8pm. All are very welcome to attend. *"Their time was short, yet very precious"*

Our African Community. Bishop Denis Nulty will celebrate Mass with the African Community of Our Diocese in Cill Mhuire Church, Newbridge on Sunday next, 20th November at 2pm.

Arthritis Ireland Kildare Branch Information Evening in Osprey Hotel Naas on Tuesday 15th Nov at 7.30pm "Back Pain-Diagnosis and Treatment" Guest speakers Mr Martin Murphy Neurosurgeon and Ann Doyle Senior Physiotherapist . Also

Kildare Branch AGM Coffee Morning and Talk on Mindfulness in Keadeen Hotel, Newbridge on Sat 19th Nov at 10.30am— 'A Taste of Mindfulness' with Evelyn Hainsworth CBT Psychotherapist, Naas. All welcome and admission is free to both events.

Table Quiz in support of the National Council for the Blind will take place on Wednesday coming, 16th November at 7.30pm in the Town House Hotel.

A Sincere Thank You from Peter McVerry Trust to all who collected for and contributed to their recent church street collections in Naas and Sallins which raised €568.65 and €389.92 respectively.

Team Hope Annual Shoebox Appeal. You can leave your box/s into the Parish Office, Sallins Road or Axa Insurance Office, Dublin Road up to and including Friday coming, 18th November.

Naas Parish Lotto Draw

€ 4,500 that's the Jackpot in the Next Draw on Wednesday coming 16th November. There was no winner of the Jackpot on Wednesday last, 9th November. **Numbers drawn were : 11—20—14—13.**

The Priests of the Parish would like to sincerely thank all those who worked so hard to sell tickets in these very difficult economic times and we hope people will continue to support us into the future. After another very successful year, our Parish Lotto continues into 2017 commencing on Wednesday, 14th December 2016. If you think you could even sell a couple of tickets, on a weekly basis, to your friends, family or neighbours please contact the Parish Office, Sallins Road, or the draw Office at the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane or further information can be had from the Draw Secretary on 086 1635994.

Tickets cost €2 each, or an Annual Membership costing €90. You can also pay by Standing Order where €8 per month will be deducted from your bank account. For further Information you contact either of the Parish Offices or the Draw Secretary.

Tickets can also be purchased from the following outlets:- Menswear, Londis, Nolans Butchers, Barker & Jones, Stationery Store, Veritas, The Soda Bread Shop, Gouldings Hardware and Swans on the Green. Remember you can join the Lotto anytime.

If you would like to join the Parish Lotto Draw or renew your Annual Subscription please complete your details below and return it to any of the Priests, The Parish Office Sallins Road or Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane.

If you're not in you can't win!!

Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Number: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

Please choose four numbers between 1 and 28 (inclusive) and write them in the boxes →

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CARA Projects Group, CHY 18652 are holding a church street collection in Naas and Two Mile House next weekend, 19th/20th November. The CARA Project focus is to raise funds for the CARA Girl's Rescue Centre (CGRC), in Kibiko, Ngong, Nairobi, Kenya who provide respite for local young vulnerable children, from whatever hardship and suffering they are experiencing in their lives. A group of volunteers from the local area are travelling to Nairobi in Kenya with the CARA Projects, to carry out work at the Rescue Centre and Orphanage in February 2017.

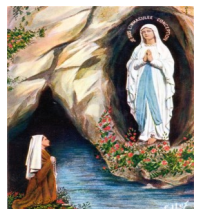
Kerdiffstown House (SVDP) Christmas Fair at Kerdiffstown Hse, Johnstown (next to Johnstown Garden Centre) takes place on Sunday next, 20th November from 12noon to 5pm with free parking and free admission and will include Santa's Grotto, Assorted Stalls, Raffle, Live Band, Hampers, Wine, Wheel of Fortune etc.

Christmas Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 2016 (Last Remaining Seats) takes place from 20th—28th

December for 8 nights. Ex Dublin. Cost: €1,374 per person sharing. For bookings contact James Treacy on 061-921470 or 086 0572216.

Inaugural Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2017 led by Bishop Denis Nulty.

Next year 2017, a unique opportunity is being put before us, to travel as a Diocese on pilgrimage with Bishop Denis Nulty as our leader and spiritual guide. The pilgrimage takes place on 16th July for 5 nights at a cost of €719 per person sharing. Booking Forms are available from the Parish Office, Sallins Road. You can also contact the Pilgrimage Leader, Rita Fanning on 087 6535112.



The Pilgrimage is being organised in conjunction with Joe Walsh Tours and there will be a dedicated assisted section for sick pilgrims who may wish to travel.

Naas Parish Bingo continues on Tuesday nights at 8.30pm sharp in the Care of the Aged Centre, Newbridge Road, with **BIGGER** Prizes and Jackpot.