

# Parish Newsletter



**Fifth Sunday of Easter  
14th May 2017.**

**No 1600**

**John: 14: 1-12**



**St Jacinta Marto: March 11th 1910– February 20th 1920**

Only yesterday we witnessed the great event of the canonisation of the first two non-martyred children Jacinta and Francisco Marto. When officials released Fatima seer Lucia dos Santos' first memoir in 1976, great light was shed on the extraordinary and largely hidden lives of these two young visionaries.

Few realise the incredible and intensely deep spirituality of the young Jacinta who spent the last years of her life voluntarily suffering for the conversion of sinners. Noted Lucia (in the book, which was called *Fatima in Lucia's Own Words*): *"Jacinta took this matter of making sacrifice for the conversion of sinners so much to heart that she never let a single occasion escape her."* When it was time for lunch, they gave their food to the sheep.

Whenever they came across children poorer than they were, they gave all their food to them. When looking for a snack of acorns, they chose to eat the bitter ones.

The little girl's ultimate sufferings? First the death of her dear brother, which Our Lady predicted to her, and then being told that she too would die and it would be away from Lucia and her parents -- a suffering that topped all previous offerings but, extraordinarily, was embraced by Jacinta. *"Our Lady came to see us,"* Jacinta told Lucia. *"She told us she would come to take Francisco to Heaven very soon, and she asked me if I still wanted to convert more sinners. I said I did. She told me I would be going to a hospital where I would suffer a great deal; and that I am to suffer for the conversion of sinners, in reparation for the sins committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and for the love of Jesus."*

When her brother was dying, Jacinta last words to him: *"Give all my love to Our Lord and Our Lady and tell them that I'll suffer as much as they want for the conversion of sinners and in reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary."* And so it was. A great Saint. A largely hidden one. A very powerful intercessor. Her last suffering came when as predicted she was sent alone to a hospital ninety miles south of Lisbon. When, during their farewell conversation, Lucia told her to stop thinking of dying alone (surely an excruciating thought for anyone let alone a child), Jacinta replied: *"Let me think about it, for the more I think the more I suffer and I want to suffer for the love of Our Lord and for sinners. Anyway, I don't mind! Our Lady will come to me there and take me to Heaven."* With those words did the saint head, sacrifices in hand, for eternity.

**St. Jacinta, pray for us.**

## **Parish Golf Classic in aid of Naas Parish Church Restoration Fund:**

**10th Anniversary Golf Classic takes place on Friday 26th May at Craddockstown Golf Club.**

If you would like to participate as a Team or as part of a Team on the day we would be delighted to hear from you, if you have already signed up to join in with us, Thank You.

Tee Box sponsorship is also available for €100 (each tee box sponsorship is named and advertised individually on a specified Tee Box and all sponsorship will be listed in the Table Card Menu).

If you would like to sponsor Prizes for the Golf Competition or Raffle, we would be very grateful.

If you have any further queries contact The Parish Office Sallins Road on 045 879730 or [emailnaasparishoffice@gmail.com](mailto:emailnaasparishoffice@gmail.com)



***Your support will be much appreciated.***

## PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

**PRIEST ON DUTY: 085 708 8407**

**PARISH WEBSITE:** [www.naasparish.ie](http://www.naasparish.ie)

**NAAS AND SALLINS PARISH OFFICE** Tel 879730 Fax 894287

**Opening Hours:** Monday to Friday 10am to 5pm

**Naas email** [naasparishoffice@gmail.com](mailto:naasparishoffice@gmail.com)

**Sallins email** [sallinsparishoffice@gmail.com](mailto:sallinsparishoffice@gmail.com)

**SACRISTY OUR LADY AND ST DAVID:** Tel 856925

**BALLYCANE OFFICE AND SACRISTY :** Tel 895629

**Opening Hours:** Monday to Friday 10am to 1pm

### PARISH TEAM

**FR. LIAM MORGAN** Sallins Road 087 1337879

**FR. JOE O'NEILL** Sundays Well 045 876197

**FR MICHAEL FLATTERY** SALLINS ROAD 045 897703

**FR ALEX KOCHATT** LAKELANDS 045 898684

**DN. FERGA O'NEILL** Parish Deacon 086 3816133

### SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

**Naas:** Andrew Fagan and Geraldine Faherty

**Sallins:** Keith Murphy

**Two Mile House:** Mary Valentine

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

"Who has faith in Me will do the works I do, and far greater than these." Are you being called to do the work of the Lord as a priest? *"contact: Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill. Email: [vocations@kandle.ie](mailto:vocations@kandle.ie): [www.kandlepriest.com](http://www.kandlepriest.com)*

**'A Come and See'** afternoon for those interested in or curious about priesthood in Kildare and Leighlin will take place on Sunday 21st May from 2.30pm to 5pm in the Cathedral Parish Centre, Carlow. For more information log onto [www.kandlepriest.com](http://www.kandlepriest.com)

### *Prayer that the Angel taught The Three Shepherd Children.*

Holy Trinity, Father, Son, Holy Spirit.

I adore You profoundly

and I offer You the most precious Body,  
Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ  
present in all the tabernacles of the world,  
in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges  
and indifference by which He is offended.

And through the infinite merits of  
His Most Sacred Heart and the  
Immaculate Heart of Mary

I beg of You the conversion  
of the poor sinners.

*Amen.*

## 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.

## **THOSE WHO DIE IN GRACE GO BUT TO GOD AND GOD IS VERY NEAR"**

### Naas:

Gerald Duff, Monread Heights, formerly The Curragh.

### Two Mile House:

Kevin Brennan, Swordlestown

**MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.**



## **RECENT BAPTISMS**

### Naas:

Dillon Harry Ryan, Aylmer Park

Matthew Eamon Austin, Jigginstown Park

Eva Teresa Nolan, Arconagh

Jack James Kavanagh, Teampull Cearach

Lucia Sota Fitzpatrick, Oldtown Rise

Timur Ambrosovs, The Meadows



### Two Mile House:

Cora Claire Murphy, Oldtown Heights

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](http://www.naasparish.ie/sacraments/baptism).

## **FEAST AND MEMORIAL DAYS FOR THE COMING WEEK:**

Monday 15th: St. Carthage, bishop

Tuesday 16th: St Brendan, abbot

## **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.'*

**St. Pio Prayer Group** next meeting on Wednesday coming 17th May at 7.10pm at the Church of The Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. All most welcome.

**Inaugural Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage To Lourdes, led by Bishop Denis Nulty.**

This is a unique opportunity to travel as a Diocese on Pilgrimage with Bishop Denis Nulty as our leader and spiritual guide. It will be a time when, as a Diocese, we can come together with our Bishop and with people drawn from every Parish. The Pilgrimage takes place on 16th July for 5 nights at a cost of €719 per person sharing. The Pilgrimage is being organised in conjunction with Joe Walsh Tours. Booking Forms are still available from Parish Office, Sallins Road.



**Table Quiz** Naas Order of Malta are holding a table quiz to support the 2017 Lourdes Parish Pilgrimage, on Friday coming 19th May at 8.30pm in Naas GAA. Contact Aoife on 087 1408888 for more Information/tickets. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

**Nás na Ríogh ICA Guild** next meeting tomorrow Monday 15th May at 8pm in Community Centre, (behind McAuley Place). New members are always welcome. Phone Mary on 086 1552145.

**Thank You** to all who collected and contributed to the recent collection for 'Special Olympics' which took place on 5th May. The total raised was €3,785.

**Vincent de Paul Naas; helpline number 045 897306.**

### **SALLINS NOTICE**

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** on Tuesday coming, 16th May from 10.30am to 11am.

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

**Sallins Tidy Towns Committee** are organising a walk from the Sallins Canal Bridge on Wednesday 24th May at 7.30pm. All welcome to join us.

**The Tidy Towns** Annual Collection will take place on Thur/Fri/Sat and Sun 25th/26th/27th and 28th May in Sallins and at Super Valu. The proceeds will go towards purchasing much needed equipment, shrubs, trees, plants etc. We are urgently seeking new Volunteers so if you feel you can give of your time to do litter picking, weeding etc and maintaining the entrances to the various estates in Sallins we would like to hear from you. This could be done at a

time that suits you. We would gratefully appreciate your help and if willing please contact Betty at sallinstidytowns@hotmail.com or ph 086 8778056. The Annual Tidy Towns competition commences on Thursday 1st June and assistance from everyone in the Community to keep Sallins clean and tidy would benefit us all. Many thanks to the Community for your on-going support.

### **TWO MILE HOUSE**

**First Holy Communion** please remember the children and their parents from Killashee MDNS who received their First Holy Communion yesterday and the children and their parents from Two Mile House National School who will receive the Sacrament on Saturday 20th May at 11am.

**Pilgrimage to St. Patrick's Well** on Sunday 21st May, weather permitting and by kind permission of Killashee Hotel. **More details next weekend.**

**Weekday morning Mass, Monday to Thursday at 9.15am and Friday evening at 7pm as usual.**

### **GENERAL NOTICES**

#### **Parish Finances:**

Sallins: Baskets:	€ 620	Envelopes:	€460
Naas: Offertory:	€3,240	Development	€3,595
Two Mile House:	€ 665		

#### **Sports Lottery Results:**

Naas: 4/5 (13-15-16-25) No winner, Jackpot €1,600  
Sallins: 8/5 (3-12-21) No winner, Jackpot €4,300

**Special Remembrance Service** for families and friends affected by suicide will be held on Friday coming 19th May at 7.30pm in Our Lady and St Joseph Church, Caragh. A memorial stone has been erected in the Garden of Remembrance and this will be blessed at the service. If you would like to have a loved one who has died this year or any other year remembered at this special Service, please contact Caragh Parish Office on 045 875602.

**Mass of Thanksgiving** for the Beatification of Fr. John Sullivan will take place on Saturday coming 20th May at 7pm in Clongowes Wood College. The celebrant and homilist will be Bishop Denis Nulty. Those attending are invited to tea and coffee afterwards. His Beatification is scheduled for 13th May in St. Francis Xavier's Church, Gardiner Street, Mountjoy, Dublin.

**Date for your Diary; Wednesday 28th June 2017**  
**Parish Family Race Evening.** Summer's evening fun at the Races for all the family.

**More details to follow soon.**

## Naas Parish Lotto Draw

**€3,250 that's the Jackpot in the Next Draw on Wednesday coming 17th May.**

There was **No Winner**, of the Jackpot on Wednesday last 10th May.

**Numbers drawn were : 4 - 9 - 17 - 10.**

**Four Lucky Dip Winners of €100 each:** June Greely, May O'Leary, Aine Hennessy, Paul Kavanagh.

***We have increased our "Lucky Dip" prizes to €100, if the Jackpot is not won.***

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 from the Promoter in your area. 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, 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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**Eucharistic Ministers;** A three night Diocesan Training course for Ministers, led by Kildare and Leighlin Faith Development Services, will take place in Scoil Chóca Naofa, Mill Lane, Kilcock on Tuesday nights 16th, 23rd and 30th May from 8pm to 10pm. Would you like to be a Minister of Holy Communion in the Parish? Are you already a Minister of Holy Communion who would like a refresher course? **Booking is essential.** If you would like to explore this ministry for the first time or if you would like to renew your training contact Parish Office 879730.

**Thank You** a heart-felt thank you to all who supported the recent 'Pastimes Choir' Bake Sale in McAuley Place Tea-rooms. A total of €1,678 was raised. Your generosity and thoughtfulness are very much appreciated.

**Lost:** Plain Wedding Ring recently, lost in Naas. If found please phone 087 2670442.

**Found:** Lady's Gold Bracelet at Ballycane Church on Saturday 6th May. Owner can Contact Parish Office, Sallins Road on 879730.

**Annual Charity Auction** St. Vincent's Hospital, Athy 14th Annual Charity Auction in aid of the Patients' Comfort Fund will take place in the Athy GAA Centre on Sunday 21st May, at 2.15pm with viewing from 11am. Your support and presence at the Auction would be greatly appreciated. Further information is available from St. Vincent's Hospital at 059 864300. *'The Patient Comfort Fund finances the social and recreational therapy programme for the 116 frail elderly residents in St. Vincent's Hospital. It ensures an enhanced quality of life for those entrusted to our care'.*

**We the Irish Wheelchair Association** seeks volunteers to help out with our bucket collections countrywide. The fundraising efforts from last year helped with the purchase of 11 new accessible buses, which means that members can travel to and from our centres on a daily basis. This kind of support literally changes lives for people and we strive to continue this enhanced quality of life for our members. Are you available to help out? If so, call or email Alison for more information. Mobile: 087 2676688 or email [alison.mcdonnell@iwa.ie](mailto:alison.mcdonnell@iwa.ie)