



NAAS SALLINS TWO MILE HOUSE NEWSLETTER



Mass Times: **Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)**

<u>Church</u>	<u>Weekdays</u>		<u>Sundays</u>
Our Lady and St David, Naas	Mon-Fri 7.30am, 10am	Saturday 10am.	Saturday Vigil: 6.30pm Sunday 8.30am, 10am, 12noon, 6pm.
Irish Martyrs, Ballycane, Naas	Mon-Fri * 7.30pm	Saturday 11am	Saturday Vigil: 8pm Sunday 11am, 12.15pm
Our Lady & Guardian Angels, Sallins	Tues - Fri 10am.		Saturday Vigil: 6.30pm; Sunday 10am, 12noon
St Peter's Two Mile House	Friday 7pm		Sunday 11am

*The 7.30 pm Mass on Wednesday is celebrated in the Church of Our Lady and St David, Naas

Jesus – the Servant Leader

Today, John the Baptist is presented as a ‘witness for the defence’ - someone who speaks up for Jesus in his battle to win the hearts and minds of people. John is giving his testimony in the presence of his own disciples, and he paints a very significant pen-picture of Jesus. There are five important aspects of John’s testimony in today’s Gospel.

1. Jesus is the Lamb of God. This does not mean that he is meek and mild. It means rather that he corresponds to the ideal Servant of God described in the first reading of today’s Mass.
2. John belonged to a culture which valued age and experience. Although John was probably a little older than Jesus as human beings calculate it, as far as John himself is concerned, Jesus’ place in God’s plan means that he is as old as God’s wisdom which has existed for all ages. It is therefore possible to speak of Jesus as someone who has been there from ‘the beginning,’ the very words with which this Gospel opens.
3. John testifies that Jesus is the one on whom God’s Spirit has come to rest. He is like one of the great Spirit-filled characters of Israel’s past.
4. Jesus has not simply been richly endowed with the Spirit to enable him to carry out his mission as God’s servant, he will share it with others and quite literally plunge human beings into the very depths of God.
5. Jesus is God’s Chosen One. This is another reference to the Servant poem in the first reading. In this poem, God speaks directly to his servant and tells him of the mission which lies before him. The heart of the gospel message is not that God speaks to us by an angel or a prophet or a human hero, no matter how self-giving. He speaks to us through his Son who loves us to the point of laying down his life for us.

Are you listening to his message in your heart?

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Opening Hours; Tuesday & Thursday
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SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN;

PARISH DESIGNATED PERSONS:

Caroline Quinn (Naas); Sheila Pyke (Sallins)
Mary Valentine (Two-Mile-House).

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

FEAST AND MEMORIAL DAYS DURING THE COMING WEEK:

Monday 17th: St Anthony, abbot
Friday 21st: St Agnes, virgin and martyr

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

Patricia (Pat) Collins,
Patrician Crescent

MAY SHE REST IN PEACE



**THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY WELCOMES
YOU WITH GREAT JOY!**

Naas:

Thomas Colm Geoghegan, Bán na Gréinne
Layla Tamzin Doyle Curtis, Coill Dubh
Faith Laura Murray, Patrician Crescent
Isabella Grace O'Moore, Esmondale

Two Mile House

Thomas Fergus Walsh, Newbridge



THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

For those requesting the Sacrament of Baptism
two weeks notice is required. For further
details of Baptisms in Naas, Sallins & Two Mile
House see Parish website www.naasparish.ie

Parish Finances:

Sallins: Baskets: € 729
Envelopes: € 416
Naas: Development Fund: €4,025
Offertory: €5,247
Two Mile House: € 770

Grateful thanks to all who support our
collections.

GAA Lotto:

Sallins: 10/01 Jackpot €1,150: No winner: Numbers
4-28-35: Venue 17/01: Bridgewater : Jackpot €1,300

Naas: 06/01 Jackpot €5,150: No winner: Numbers
2-4-18-26: Next weeks' Jackpot €5,300

Splotto / Ballycane Celtic: No Draw

Did you know that you can now read the cur-
rent parish newsletter as well as back issues
online??? Just log on to www.naasparish.ie
and click on "current parish newsletter" or
"parish newsletter past issues."

Sallins Parish News

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction as usual on Friday coming, 21st January at 7.30pm.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting on Thursday coming at 8pm.

The Sallins Conference of St Vincent de Paul were amazed at the response to their 'Christmas Appeal' & would like to thank all who contributed to the appeal for their wonderful generosity.

First Communion Preparation Programme takes place at all Masses next Sunday.

Sallins Parish Calendar are on sale in all shops and the Parish Office. Calendar cost €3 or 2 for €5.

Reminder: to parents/guardians and children for confirmation in Sallins Parish: next meeting takes place on Wednesday 26th January in Sallins Church at 8pm. Speaker John Lonergan.

Found: Black purse in church during the Christmas period. Contact parish office at 897150

Lost: Pair of Lady's reading glasses in red box lost in church. Contact parish office at 897150.

Naas Parish News

St Marie's Conference of St Vincent de Paul, Naas are a visitation group who visit the elderly in their home. If you would like a short visit you can contact the conference at 087 2166779 between 6pm and 8pm

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2011 The week of Prayer for Christian Unity starts on the 18th January. The theme of this year's prayer is one of the Apostles teaching - fellowship, breaking of bread and prayer. **Acts 2: 42-47.** This theme was chosen by the Pontifical Council for promoting Christian Unity and the Commission on Faith & Order of the World Council of Churches. The week of prayer is celebrated in churches all over the world where special ecumenical services are held in parishes. **In our parish we will begin with an Ecumenical Service in the Church of St. David at 8.00 pm. on Tuesday 18th Jan** and will conclude with a service in the **Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane on the 27th Jan at 8.30 pm.** We would be delighted to see you all at these services. **All are welcome**

Confirmation Programme; This takes place next Thursday evening at 8pm in Our Lady and St. David's (Convent and Scoil Bhríde) and the Church of the Irish Martyrs', Ballycane (St. Corban's). We will celebrate the Eucharist together as this is the theme of the evening.

Do This in Memory Programme; Takes place next Sunday at the usual Masses.

Thank You from St Corban's Boys NS who would like to thank most sincerely all who contributed so generously to their recent Flag Days and all the people who kindly volunteered their time and effort.

Naas Local History Group - Due to unavailability of venue, the AGM planned for January 18th will now be held on Tuesday January 25th at 7.45 pm in Naas Library. All are welcome. www.kildare.ie/local-history

Lost: Bunch of keys during recent snowfall. Please phone 086 1075730

Two Mile House Parish News

Confirmation Enrolment: We welcome today the candidates for Confirmation and their families. Today we have the Enrolment Ceremony which marks the "official" beginning of the boys and girls journey towards the Sacrament of Confirmation. We wish them well at this special time of their lives.

Two Mile House G.A.A.: The A.G.M. takes place tomorrow, Monday, 17th January at 8pm in the Killashee House Hotel. The annual Car Draw has been launched. Tickets are €100. Your support is much appreciated. More information from Paddy Casey at 086 8108822

Faith Friends Leaders for Confirmation: Training night takes place in Two Mile House School on Tuesday next, 18th January at 8pm.

Do This in Memory Programme: Takes place next Sunday, 23rd at the 11a.m. Mass.

General Notices

“Building Culture in your Community” Would you like to see more arts and cultural events in your community? Information Session, Adult Basic and Community Education Centre (ABCE), Jigginstown, Naas. Mon, Jan 17th, 4-5p.m. Course commences ABCE Centre, Monday, Jan 24th.

Fr. Liam Lawton Concert is to be held in the Secondary School, Edenderry on Saturday 22nd January 2011 at 8pm in aid of Edenderry Parish. Tickets available at the door.

“ABCE Centre, Jigginstown, Naas are now enrolling for their spring term 2011. Classes start Monday, 31st. January 2011. Please contact Fiona at 045 881863 / Maria 045 866314 for a complete brochure”

Art Exhibition: Naas Community Library is hosting an exhibition of work by local artist Robert Lyons from Tuesday 18th January to Saturday 29th January 2011. This exhibition entitled 'Some More Mill Race Paintings' will consist of over forty works of art, primarily in acrylic format. After recovering from a serious stroke in 1997, art soon became an integral part of Robert's life. Robert's working method with its particularly expressive brush work creates a definitive and recognisable style; influenced by artists such as Matisse, Gauguin, Van Gogh, John Lavery and Jack B. Yeats. The exhibition will be open to all during library opening hours from Tuesday 18th to Saturday 29th January.

ASIST (Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training) . A two day work shop has been organised by ASIST to take place in Naas on the 5th and 6th March 2011 to provide people in our community with " first aid skills" in preventing suicide. This course is run by ASIST trainers and is an internationally recognized training programme which helps people to become more comfortable and confident in dealing with the immediate risk of suicide. The course is open to anyone over 18 who is interested. This course is provided free of charge to participants, but attendance on both days is essential. If you are interested please contact Miriam on 087 696 2787 or Mairead D'Arcy at 045-897134 between 7-9 pm. Places are limited.

