

Parish Summer Newsletter:

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) Matthew: 15: 21-28

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Sunday 20th August 2017.



Fun, Friendship and Faith on the Menu for Kildare and Leighlin Diocesan Family Picnic in Punchestown

Sunday 27th August From 1pm to 6pm.

Free Admission and Ample Free Parking.

Bishop Denis Nulty is inviting families across the 56 Parishes of the Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin to a '**Picnic in Punchestown**'. The picnic is part of diocesan preparations for next year's World Meeting of Families which will take place in Ireland in August 2018. This is also an opportunity to reach out to all families of the diocese and to gather them together for an event filled with fun, friendship and faith.



Bring your own picnic, there will be spot prizes for the best picnic displays! Feel free to bring a little extra food for a sharing table. A fun packed and entertaining programme has been finalised for this **Free Event** for families from across the diocese. Among the activities on offer will be Face-Painting, Stilt Walkers, a Pet Corner, Pony Rides and lots of Children's Activities and Games. **The Official opening will be at 3pm where Bishop Denis will lead a 4km fun walk around the race track.**



Included on the day will be a display of UN vehicles from the nearby Curragh Camp with Military Personnel on hand to share stories about the Irish contribution to the UN peace-keeping force.

Music for the event is being organised by Margaret Connaughton and Fr. Liam Lawton and will include local Choirs and dance groups as well as some very special surprise guests, including Irish country music star **Derek Ryan and renowned Irish soprano Celine Byrne.**

So spread the word among your cousins, grandparents, aunts and uncles and get your Family Picnic ready to bring, to what promises to be a great afternoon of family fun. Bishop Denis is looking forward to seeing you there regardless of the weather, though lots of sunshine is expected! **Hope to see you there!**

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help 6th to 14th October.



The Parishes of Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House.

Following on from our last meeting we are going to need lots of help with the practicalities of hosting daily events in the Parish; preparing the Liturgies, promoting the Novena and ensuring that everyone attending the various events are made feel welcome and valued. This is your opportunity to get involved! Please come along to the next meeting in the Church of the Irish Martyr's, Ballycane on **Wednesday 30th August at 8pm.** Your support will be very much appreciated.

RECENT BAPTISMS:

Naas:

Glenda Chimzaram Chidolue, Millbrook
Shona Chimala Chidolue, Millbrook
Abigail Louise Bulawan, Gleann na Riogh Grove
Kate Johanna Gamble, Landen Park
Chloe Lily Behan, New Caragh Court
Tom Cleary Creagh, Rathasker Court
Harlow Burke Deverill, Cois na Feadain
Lucy Catherine Young, The Enclosure
Olivia Amy Leech, Ballymany Manor

Two Mile House:

Holly Rose O'Neill, Oakglade Close

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

St Pio Prayer Group next meeting on Wednesday coming 23rd August at 7.10pm at the Church of The Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. All most welcome.

The Parish Office at the Church of the Irish Martyr's Ballycane will re-open on Monday 28th August. **The Lotto Office will be open as usual on Wednesday at 4.30pm.**

Parking Restrictions Owing to the building of the New Convent Primary School the overflow Car Park in the grounds of the Convent School will be unavailable for parking until further notice.

Recruiting Altar Servers: We are currently recruiting new members to join us in serving at the altar in the Church of Our Lady and St. David, Sallins Road. A new programme of formation and training will begin in September for boys and girls from 3rd class and upwards who would like to join this team. If your child is interested in joining our dedicated team of Altar Servers, we would ask you to visit our new site, **www.naasaltarservers.weebly.com**, download and fill out the application forms and return them to the Parish Office, Sallins Road at your earliest convenience. For further details, contact Deacon Fergal on 086-3816133.

Naas Local History Group Heritage Week events starting tomorrow Monday 21st August. Naas Canal Walk meet at Library at 7pm. Tuesday 22nd August, Naas Town Hall at 8pm "Archaeological Finds" on the site of the Sallins Bypass and N7 Up-grade by Noel Dunne, Archaeologist. Thursday 24th August a visit to Maudlins Cemetery, Dublin Road, meet at The Gate at 7pm. All welcome.

Naas Toastmasters Club will hold their first meeting of the 2017/2018 season on Wednesday coming 23rd August at 8pm in the Town House Hotel. Guests and new members are always welcome.

New Members Wanted: Naas Musical Society are holding their '**Annual Open Night**' on Thursday coming 24th August 8pm in the Town House Hotel (over 18's only). Come and meet the gang and hear of their plans for the coming season, lots for everyone to do both on and off stage. This is a great way to get to know people if you have just moved to Naas. The society are particularly looking for men to join the Male Chorus. Rehearsals for their Annual November Concert "**A Celebration of Song**" begin on Monday 4th September at 8pm in the Town House Hotel, Newbridge Road. For further information contact Tina on 087 6023025.

Naas Hockey Club Junior Members Registration on Sunday 27th August from 10.30am to 12 noon at Naas Sports Centre, Caragh Road for Boys and Girls aged 7-16. New members are very welcome. www.naashockeyclub.com

SALLINS PARISH NEWS

Confessions every Thursday from 2pm to 4pm.

TWO MILE HOUSE

Weekday Mass at 9.15am Monday to Thursday and Friday evening at 7pm.

GENERAL NOTICE

Naas Parish Lotto: €6,750 that's the Jackpot on Wednesday coming 23rd August. There was no winner of the Jackpot last week. The Numbers drawn were **2-16-18-22**. You can join the Parish Lotto at anytime, tickets €2 per week available from the Parish Offices, Veritas and other outlets in town.

Naas Parish Bingo continues on Tuesday nights at 8.30pm sharp in Care of the Aged Centre. All welcome. **Parish Lotto Tickets on sale on Tuesday night at Bingo.**

Sports Lottery Results:

Naas: 10/8 (8-14-19-28) No winner, Jackpot €3,700
Sallins: 14/8 (16-35-37) No winner, Jackpot €6,400

Finance:

Naas: Development: €4,055 Offertory: €3,220
Sallins: Envelopes: €415 Baskets: €545
Two Mile House: €325



Irish Cancer Society Annual Church Street Collection takes place next Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th at all Masses in Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House.

Moat Theatre Fundraiser: Giving up their time and lending their talents '**Rossa**' are back to perform Ballads and Music for everyone to enjoy. The Show takes place on Friday coming 25th August at 8pm. Tickets €15. Contact the Moat at 883030.

National Heritage Week 2017 is happening across Ireland from 19th to 27th August. As part of Heritage Week the Tower of Allen on the Hill of Allen will be open to the public from Saturday 19th to Sunday 27th August (inclusive) from 10am to 6pm.

Thought for the Week:



Every day do something that will inch you closer to a better tomorrow.