

# Parish Newsletter

5th April 2026  
Easter Sunday



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## Easter Promise

Easter Sunday. Day of hope, of new life, the Lord's Day, time of Resurrection. Jesus comes before us in his risen and glorified body. He says 'peace is my gift to you, a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift'.

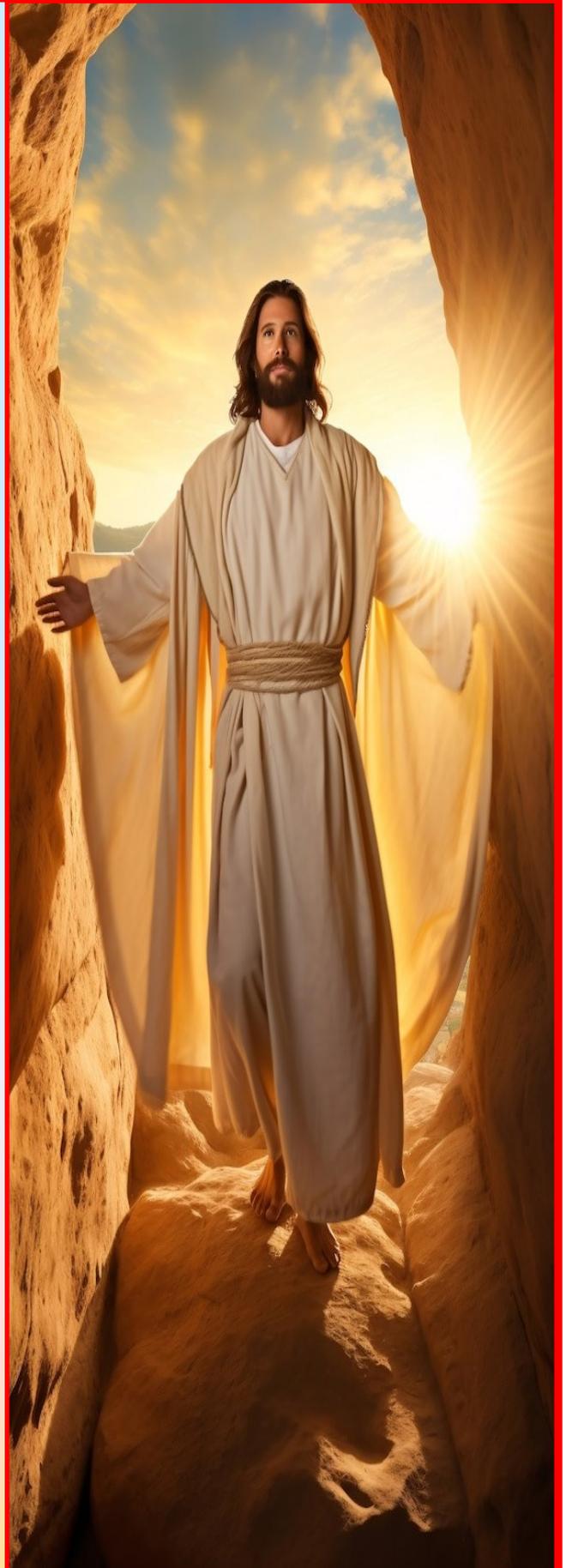
It is a message of gospel peace so at odds with the prevailing atmosphere of menace and tension that envelopes our world right now. Pope Leo speaking last Sunday in Rome spoke forcefully, condemning the current war and the use of religion to justify violence, saying that God

**“does not listen to the prayers of those who wage war, but rejects them, saying ‘even though you make many prayers, God will not listen: your hands are full of blood.’”**

Pope Leo urges our world and people of Easter faith to turn our gaze to Jesus, revealed to us as the King of Peace. For Jesus is the gentle face of God. As people who trust in God, we believe that our world, indeed our very lives are in God's hands. Only in Him do we find true meaning.

Amid the sorrows of this world, let us recognise too the kindness, the love and gentleness that we encounter every day. The flowers are in bloom, the birds continue to sing their song of hope. Jesus, Son of God is Risen, and our hope is rising. Jesus is with us ..... He will never abandon us!

***Wishing you all a Happy and Blessed Easter.  
Thank you for your kindness and steadfast support which is such a strength and consolation – thank you!***



## PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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SACRISTY OUR LADY AND ST DAVID: 045 856 925

BALLYCANE OFFICE AND SACRISTY: 045 895 629

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 1pm

SACRISTY TWO MILE HOUSE: 086 399 1706

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

Registered Charity No: 20015848

### SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

Naas: Geraldine Faherty & Adrian King  
 Sallins: Dermot McGilloway & Gillian Fitzharris  
 Two Mile House: Paula Clancy & Suzanne Powell  
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 c/o Bishop's House, Carlow Phone: 086 171 0643  
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*Safeguarding Policy displayed in all Church Porches*

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



Mary Jo Brennan, Sarto Road

**MAY SHE REST IN PEACE**

There will be Confessions in Sallins Church on  
 Thursday, 9th April 3-5pm.

**Anam Cara:** The organisation that supports bereaved  
 parents, will hold its Parent Support Evening on Weds 8<sup>th</sup>  
 April at 7.30pm in the Mullingar Park Hotel. To find out  
 more call 01 4045378 or email [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie)

## LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS

**Naas:** Development Fund: €3,682 Offertory: €2,885

**Online donations** (26th - 31st March): €163

**Tap&Go** (26th - 31st March): €805

**Sallins:** Envelopes: €385 Baskets: €460

**TMH:** €600

## Recent Baptisms



Millie Kelleher, Longstone

Cónán Tutty, Bellingsfield

Clodagh Dolan, Finlay Park

Nora Reddy-Hawkins, Oak Glade

Sophie Mason, Kings Court

## Naas Parish Shops & Offices

will be **closed from**

**Good Friday to Easter Tuesday inclusive.**

The Shops will be open on Weds. 8th April.

**Lotto tickets will be on sale for the draw  
 which will take place that evening.**

The Offices will reopen on Thursday 9th April.

## Family Masses 10th/11th April

**OLSD:**

Sat 6pm,

Sun 11am

**Sallins:**

Sat 7pm,

**Ballycane:**

Sun 10.30am

& 12noon

**Two Mile House:**

Sun 10am

**All are welcome to attend any Mass.**



## Parish Church Closure during the Summer

### Timetable of Masses in Ballycane Church

**25th May to 17th July**

Between Monday 25th May and Friday 17th July inclusive, Our Lady and St. David's Church will be closed for repainting and for the kneelers to be recovered. We hope as well that the tarmacking of the car park around the Church can also be carried out during that time.

**All Masses, Funerals, Weddings and Baptisms** will take place in  
 Ballycane Church for that period.

Monday	7.30am	10am			
Tuesday	7.30am	10am			
Wednesday	7.30am	10am	7pm (May + June)		
Thursday	7.30am	10am			
Friday	7.30am	10am			
Saturday	10am	6pm			
Sunday	8am	9.30am	11am	12.30pm	6pm



## Punchestown 2026

Many thanks to the joint PPCs for organising the Stations of the Cross around the track on Sunday and to the team at Punchestown for giving us permission. The sunshine was a welcome addition... an afternoon enjoyed by parishioners from all four parishes in our Pastoral Area!



# Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House Parishes

## EASTER SUNDAY, 5TH APRIL

Punchestown	6.40am	Sunrise Liturgy
Our Lady & St. David	9am	11am
Irish Martyrs	10.30am	12noon
Sallins	10am	11.30am
Two Mile House	10am	

**No 6pm Mass on Easter Sunday evening**

## EASTER WEEKDAY MASSES

From Monday 6th until Friday 10th April: 10am Mass only in Our Lady & St. David's  
No weekday Masses in the Irish Martyrs or Sallins.

There will be **NO** Adoration in the Upper Room on Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th April.  
In Ballycane Church, Adoration will finish on Wednesday 1st April and resume on Monday 13th April.  
**Trócaire Boxes may now be returned to the Churches or Parish Offices.**

## Divine Mercy Sunday, 12th April

OLSD	2pm	Adoration and Confessions
	3pm	Mass
TMH	10am	Mass followed by Adoration till 7pm. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be recited every hour on the hour.

Please see the Parish Shops in Naas for a wide selection of Cards for all occasions including First Holy Communion. In addition, for Communion: gifts, missals, Rosary Beads, rosettes, candles, photo frames, watches and much more. Also new ranges of Jewellery, Rosary Bracelets, Painted Bear and Wild Goose.



**Al-Anon/Alateen** Supporting people affected by a friend's/family member's Alcoholism.  
**Al-Anon meeting will be on Thurs. 9<sup>th</sup> April, in Ballycane Centre at 7.30pm (then returning to usual Monday evening meeting - 7.30pm).**  
**Alateen Meeting (peer support for teens)** meets on 3rd Monday of the month.



**giveblood.ie**  
Support your upcoming Local Blood Drive!

Monread Community Centre, Naas  
Tues 7<sup>th</sup>, Wed 8<sup>th</sup> and Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> April  
3.45pm to 8.00pm Sun 12<sup>th</sup> April  
12.00pm to 3.30pm

Check your eligibility at [www.giveblood.ie](http://www.giveblood.ie)  
or call us on 1800 731 137

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Are you grieving the loss of a loved one?  
**Grief Peer Support Group**, their next meeting is Thurs 9th April: 11am to 12 noon in the Ballycane Centre. For more information please contact **Máirín on 083 1120060**

**"A Punchestown tale from the 1940s" ... presented by Naas Local History Group, Tuesday, 7th April, 8pm. Town House Hotel. All very welcome**



**Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje: 10<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> June 2026**  
**€895pps**

**Spiritual Director: Fr. Robert**

For more information on joining the group please contact:  
John & Catherine Murphy 086 856 3773

### Price includes:

- \* Flights Direct to Mostar, Medjugorje
- \* 7 nights air-conditioned accommodation
- \* Freshly prepared breakfast & dinner
- \* Luxury coach transfers with local guide

Full religious programme operated by Marian Pilgrimages Medjugorje Team.  
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