

# Parish Newsletter

31st August 2025

**Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

No: 2010

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## LITURGY CONFERENCE

**'It is Good for Us  
to be Here'** (Mark 9:5)

*Come and join us for a day of  
personal enrichment as we  
explore many aspects of the  
celebration of Mass and liturgy  
in our parishes*

20 September 2025

Cathedral of the Assumption &  
Carlow College

Hosted by Kildare and Leighlin  
Commission for Liturgical Formation

### Keynote Speakers

Dr Jessie Rogers



Dr Jessie Rogers is a scripture scholar and Director of the Centre for Mission and Ministries in St Patrick's College, Maynooth. She is also a founding member of Godly Play Ireland, and is part of the Tarsus Scripture School team. Jessie is originally from South Africa.

**"How can we sing the Lord's song  
in a strange land?"**

Proclaiming the Word when the words feel foreign  
and the world feels fragile.

Martin Foster



Martin Foster is Director of the Joint Lectionary Project for the Bishops' Conferences of Australia, Ireland, and New Zealand, preparing a new edition of the Lectionary using the Revised New Jerusalem Bible and the Abbey Psalms and Canticles. Before this, he was Director of the Liturgy Office of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. He is a parish musician and composer with music published in UK and US, and on his website [www.bearmusic.info](http://www.bearmusic.info).

### Sunday Liturgy - A place of Encounter

The Sunday liturgy is, in some ways, both a model and school of synodality as a place of encounter, listening and dialogue. But it is also where our hope meets reality. What are the opportunities from the moment we are welcomed to make the celebration more engaging and inclusive?

## Stand for Peace - Regional March for Palestine - Saturday 6th Sept.

Leaving the Liberty Tree, Potato Market, Carlow (opposite McDonalds) at 1pm  
Carlow IPSC, together with Palestine solidarity groups from Kildare, Kilkenny  
and Laois, invite you to join them for a Regional March for Palestine.

Pope Leo XIV continues to "call for an immediate end to the barbarity  
of the war and for a peaceful resolution of the conflict."

*Let us walk together in peace and solidarity.*



## 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

FACEBOOK: [facebook.com/naasparish](https://facebook.com/naasparish)

TWITTER: @naasparish

## SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

**Naas:** Geraldine Faherty & Adrian King  
**Sallins:** Dermot McGiloway & Gillian Fitzharris  
**Two Mile House:** Paula Clancy & Suzanne Powell  
**Diocesan Designated Liaison Person:** Ailish Higgins  
**Deputy Diocesan Liaison Person:** Michele Hughes,  
c/o Bishop's House, Carlow **Phone:** 085 802 1633

**PRIEST ON DUTY: 085 708 8407**

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

**Registered Charity No: 20015848**

## PARISH TEAM

Fr. Liam Morgan	Sallins Road	087 133 7879
Fr. Michael Flattery	Hazelmere	045 879 730
Fr. Robert Petrisor	Sallins Road	045 879 730
Fr. Yohan Fernando	Lakelands	045 879730
Dn. Fergal O'Neill	Parish Deacon	086 381 6133
Ms. Trish O'Neill	Youth/Pastoral Minister	045 879 730
Ms. Sarah Farmer	Parish Manager	045 879 730

*Safeguarding Policy is displayed in all Church Porches.*

## LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS

**Naas:** Development Fund: €3,695 Offertory: €2,485

**Online donations** (21st - 27th August): €283

**Tap&Go** (21st - 27th August): €924

**Sallins:** Envelopes: €385 Baskets: €495

**TMH:** €615

## Recent Baptisms



Olivia Laide Ortiz, Sundays Well  
Eoghan Pender, Castle Farm  
Siún Pender, Castle Farm  
Dáire Moloney, Finlay Park  
Jack McCarthy, Oldbridge Park  
Luke McCarthy, Oldbridge Park  
Molly Murphy, Roseville  
Luke O'Driscoll, Elsmore Green

## Sallins Church

### Tuesday Morning 10am Mass

We are pleased to announce that this Mass will resume, starting on 9th September with the exception of occasional Tuesdays when no priest will be available in which case Mass will be replaced by a Prayer Service/Rosary. Please see below for the schedule for the first two months:

9th Sept	10am	Mass
16th Sept	10am	Mass
23rd Sept	10am	Mass
30th Sept	10am	Mass
7th Oct	10am	Mass
14th October	10am	Prayer Service
21st October	10am	Mass
28th October	10am	Mass



**The Divine Mercy Chaplet** will be prayed at 3pm every day, starting 1st Sept.  
**Mon to Fri** in Ballycane Church  
**Sat and Sun** in Our Lady & St. David's.  
**3pm during the existing Adoration.**

## MASS TIMES for the Pastoral Area of Naas, Sallins, TMH & Kill

### OUR LADY AND ST. DAVID, NAAS

**WEEKDAYS:** Mon. - Fri: 7.30am & 10am

**Sat:** 10am

**Sat Vigil:** 6pm

**SUNDAYS:** 9am, 11am & 6pm

### CHURCH OF THE IRISH MARTYRS, BALLYCANE

**WEDNESDAYS:** 7pm

**SUNDAYS:** 10.30am & 12noon

### OUR LADY & THE GUARDIAN ANGELS, SALLINS

**WEEKDAYS:** Fri: 10am

**Sat Vigil:** 7pm

**SUNDAYS:** 11.30am

### CHURCH OF ST PETER, TWO MILE HOUSE

**WEEKDAYS** 9.30am

**SUNDAYS:** 10am

### CHURCH OF ST BRIGID, KILL

**WEEKDAYS:** Mon. - Fri.: 10am

**SATURDAYS:** 6.30pm

**SUNDAYS:** 11am

### CHURCH OF ST ANNE, ARDCLOUGH

**SUNDAYS:** 9.30am

**FIRST FRIDAYS:** 8pm



### 1st Thursday Eucharistic Adoration in Ballycane Church

Thursday 4th September 9pm - 10pm.  
All are Welcome.

## Choirs Welcome New Members!

Would you like to join one of our church choirs?

**Parish Church Choir or Ballycane Church Choir**

• **Ballycane Choir** (10.30am Sunday Mass) resumes practice Monday 8th September 8pm.

• **Parish Church Choir** (11am Mass) resumes practice on Wednesday 10th September.

We welcome Sopranos, Altos, Tenors and Bass.

If you would like to join we would be delighted to hear from you. For more details please contact

**Bernard: 087 235 2545.**



## Timetable

9:00am **Registration**  
Carlow College

9:30am **Welcome & Morning Prayer**  
Cathedral

10:00am **Keynote Speaker: Dr Jessie Rogers**  
Cathedral with Q&A

11:00am **Break**

11:30am **Workshop Session One**  
Cathedral and Carlow College

12:45pm **Lunch**  
Attendees are invited to bring a packed lunch or avail of lunch in Carlow town. Tea/coffee provided in Carlow College.

2:15pm **Workshop Session Two**  
Cathedral and Carlow College

3:45pm **Keynote Speaker: Martin Foster**  
Cathedral with Q&A

4:45pm **Closing Remarks and Prayer**  
Cathedral with invitation to 6:15pm Mass

**Parking in Carlow College**  
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## Choice of Workshops

A

Engaging Children in the Scriptures through Godly Play - Gemma Mulligan

B

Art and Environment that Supports and Deepens our Worship throughout the Liturgical Year - Fr Robert Petrisor

C

Let us Pray: The Call to Celebrate Lay Led Liturgy in our Parish - Mary Connolly

D

The Art and Practice of being a Minister in the Liturgy - Fr Peter O'Kane

E

Why Sunday Matters ... the Importance of Sunday and our Celebration of It - Julie Kavanagh

F\*

Supporting our Congregations to Sing the Liturgy through the Seasons - Ian Callanan

## Booking



Bookings can be made online at this address or via the QR code **by 17 September:**

[www.kandle.ie/LiturgyConference](http://www.kandle.ie/LiturgyConference)



**Booking is essential, spaces are limited.**

**If you have any problems booking on the website/using QR code, please call into the parish office on the Sallins Road where we will help.**

## Our Workshop Presenters



Gemma Mulligan is the Pastoral Coordinator for the Diocese of Ossory and a trained Godly Play storyteller. She integrates Godly Play into her pastoral work, particularly with children preparing for the sacraments, helping them to explore faith through story, wonder, and play.



Fr Robert Petrisor has served as curate in the Parishes of Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House since September 2020. Robert is a priest of the Archdiocese of Bucharest in Romania. He leads a vibrant ministry with the Liturgy Groups of the three parishes and has overseen the creation of many creative and beautiful Sacred Spaces marking the seasons and other special occasions.



Mary Connolly is a retired teacher with an MA in Liturgical Studies and a Diploma in Spiritual Direction. In her time as Resource Person for Liturgy in the Archdiocese of Tuam, she facilitated the liturgical formation of both laity and clergy alike and is a member of the Liturgy Association of Ireland.



Fr Peter O'Kane is a priest of the Diocese of Derry. He holds postgraduate degrees in Canon Law, Catechetical Sciences, Music, and Theology. He is presently responsible for Evangelisation and Adult Faith Formation in his home diocese, as well as adjunct lecturer in Saint Patrick's Pontifical University Maynooth and sessional lecturer at the Priory Institute Dublin.



Julie Kavanagh is the Pastoral Resource Person in the Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin. She holds an MA in Liturgical Studies from St John's University, Collegeville, Minneosta. She is Secretary to the Liturgy Association of Ireland and is a member of the Irish Bishops' Council for Liturgy and the National Synod Team.



Ian Callanan is a distinguished Irish liturgical composer. His works have been performed in numerous languages across Europe and featured in television and radio broadcasts. His music was sung during the Papal Mass in Ireland 2018. He is Chairperson of the Irish Church Music Association.

**For further enquiries contact:**  
[Julie.Kavanagh@kandle.ie](mailto:Julie.Kavanagh@kandle.ie)

# NAAS WILD FOOD FESTIVAL

10 - 14 SEPT 2025  
JOIN US AT THE FESTIVAL TENT AT  
HEDERMAN'S CARPARK, NAAS

DELICIOUS FOOD • MUSIC FESTIVAL  
FOOD TRAILS • CRAFT STALLS

FREE ENTRY 11am-5pm SATURDAY & SUNDAY  
TICKETED EVENTS 6pm-11pm FRIDAY & SATURDAY  
WILD FOOD TRAILS - WED 10th & THU 11th

Tickets & Info: [NaasWildFood.com](https://NaasWildFood.com)

## LIVE MUSIC FESTIVAL 12 - 14 SEPT

Wild Food & Live Music at the Festival Tent at Hederman's Carpark, featuring:

The Parish Youth Group **SOLAS** who will be singing at **12noon on Sunday 14th September**  
(Solás are the group of young singers and musicians who you may have seen at Mass in Ballycane Church.)  
For the full lineup, please see the poster on our Parish Website.

### Legion of Mary Pilgrimage to Knock, Sunday 28th September, cost of bus, €20.

Please call into the Parish Office to reserve your place and purchase tickets for the bus.

"Tales from a drowned valley - the flooding of the Blessington lakes" - talk and slides by Seamus Cullen. Tuesday, 2nd September, 8pm.  
Town House Hotel, Naas.  
Hosted by the Naas Local History Group.  
All very welcome.

### BRIDGEWATER LADIES GOLF SOCIETY 25TH ANNIVERSARY

To celebrate this momentous occasion, the Society have arranged an outing in Killeen Golf Club on **Sunday 21st September**: Tee Times 13.00 to 16.00 hrs  
**All members, past and present, are welcome.**  
It will be a 9 hole golf outing followed by a meal.  
Golf and meal €35 (Meal only €20 / Golf only €15)  
To participate, please contact  
Rosemarie 086-3656136 or  
Alicia 086-3931524 or  
Karen 087-2919627



Want a Sociable, Educational evening with great company?  
Join us on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month at Toastmasters Meeting, (Guests Welcome). **The Luisne Centre, McAuley Place, Sallins Road, Naas, W91D62E**  
For more information call 087 7564323



Registration for children who wish to receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion or Confirmation in 2026 is now open on the Parish Website and App.

### Help Change a Child's Life Today with Operation Smile.

We are a non profit group who provide children with life-changing surgery for cleft lip and palate.



Scan QR code for more information.

Operation  Smile



### Youth Art Competition

The National Board for Safeguarding Children in the Catholic Church in Ireland (NBSCCCI) has launched an Art competition for children and young people, running from 1st - 30th September 2025.

The Competition invites children up to 18 years to submit art including written submissions, paintings, sculptures or photography.

For full details, please see the poster on the parish website.



### Are you grieving the loss of a loved one?

Might it help to spend a little time with others who are also grieving? **Grief Peer Support Group**, meeting monthly, starting Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> Sept: 11am to 12 noon in Ballycane Church Centre.

For more information:

Text or call Máirín on 083 1120060.



## Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw

There was no winner of the €9,450 Jackpot on 27th August.

Lucky Dip winners were: **Z. Walshe, M. Reynolds, Fr. Liam, J. McCann**

Numbers Drawn were: 9-24-22-23

You could win the Jackpot of **€9,700** on Weds. 3rd September.

Thank you for your continued support