

Parish Newsletter

3rd May 2026

Fifth Sunday of Easter



No: 2042

Jn 14:1-12

May - the month of Mary.



A Prayer to Our Lady

**Take my hand O Blessed Mother,
Hold it gently lest I fall;
I am nervous when I'm walking
so to thee I humbly call.**

**Guide me over every crossing
Watch me while I am on the stairs.
Help me with my undertakings,
Lessen many of my cares.**

**Then when darkness falls upon us,
And I fear to be alone,
Take my hand O Blessed Mother
Once again and lead me home.**

A favourite prayer of Bishop Denis

Healing Memories.

When Pope Leo XIV flew into the city of Saurimo, in north-eastern Angola, in April, Brendan Carr CSSp, Irish Spiritan provincial, tells us his mind was filled with competing emotions of nostalgia, sadness, delight and gratitude. During the cold war years, Angola was riven by a brutal civil war. Brendan, young and enthusiastic, had arrived in Angola in 1983, one year after his ordination. His mother pulled out an atlas to find first, Angola, and then Saurimo and asked him, "Could they send you any further?"

"Our mission was one of solidarity with a suffering people visited by a conflict not of their own choosing," Fr. Brendan tells us. "It was the Church at its best - defending human rights, confronting the parties of war, caring for the hungry and the displaced, uniting people in the hope of peace. Many missionaries were killed - on roads, by landmines, or because of their work in organising communities. Jean-Étienne Wozniak CSSp, a young French Spiritan, was killed in an ambush on Pentecost Sunday 1984 while travelling to a remote community. His Irish Spiritan companion, John Kingston, was badly wounded, taken hostage and later released. Those years in Angola were harrowing, marked by trauma, suffering, loss and grief."

Fr. Brendan was moved to see Pope Leo celebrating Mass in the church "where we sheltered from attack, prayed for peace, buried the dead and celebrated life in baptisms and marriages". His visit honours a people who endured, who cared for the poor and broken-hearted and who never abandoned hope.

Taken from the Tablet, 25th April 2026

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

NAAS PARISH OFFICE: Tel.: 045 879 730

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SACRISTY OUR LADY AND ST DAVID: 045 856 925

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Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 1pm

SACRISTY TWO MILE HOUSE: 086 399 1706

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SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

Naas: Geraldine Faherty & Adrian King
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Safeguarding Policy displayed in all Church Porches

PARISH TEAM

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Ms. Sarah Farmer	Parish Manager	045 879 730

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



Walter Barrahan, Woodside Park
Annette Heneghan, St. Brigid's Tce, Naas
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS

Naas: Development Fund: €3,511 Offertory: €2,695

Online donations (23rd - 29th April): €184

Tap&Go (23rd - 29th April): €775

Sallins: Envelopes: € 275 Baskets: €435

TMH: €540



Rosary at the Grotto

Our Lady & St. David's Church

8pm on 13th May

Feast of Our Lady of Fatima.

All Welcome.

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: Tues: 10am

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

Recent Baptisms



Hollie Doherty, Cavan

Karson Gilligan, Meath

Mikaela Necesario, Rathvoy Park

Olivia England, Bellingsfield

Tadhg O'Neill, Stonehaven

Keenan Keating-Delmer, Esmondale

Patrick Sullivan, Ashgrove Crescent

Éala Delahunt Grant, Monread Heights

Family Masses 9th/10th May



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.

Cemetery Masses

St. Corban's Cemetery Mass on Wednesday, 10th June at 7.30pm

There will be no 7pm Mass that evening.

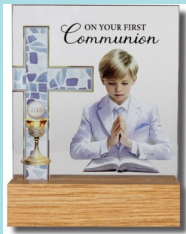
Bodenstown Mass details to be confirmed

St. Peter's, Two Mile House is on Sunday, 5th July at 10am

First Holy Communion 2026



Date	Time	School	Church
Saturday 9th May	11am	Ballycane NS	Ballycane Church
Saturday 9th May	12noon	Scoil Bhríde	Our Lady & St. David
Saturday 16th May	11am	St. Corban's NS	Ballycane Church
Saturday 16th May	12noon	Mercy Convent	Our Lady & St. David
Saturday 16th May	1pm	Naas Community NS/St. David's NS	Ballycane Church
Saturday 23rd May	10am	Sallins NS: Ms Kenny	Sallins Church
Saturday 23rd May	11.30am	Sallins NS: Ms Carey	Sallins Church
Saturday 23rd May	1pm	Sallins NS: Ms Hartnett	Sallins Church
Saturday 23rd May	11am	Gaelscoil	Ballycane Church
Saturday 23rd May	10am	Killashee	St. Peter's TMH
Saturday 23rd May	12noon	TMH NS	St. Peter's TMH



The Parish Shops on the Sallins Road and at Ballycane Church are currently stocking a wide selection of gifts, cards and essential items for First Holy Communion, including rosettes, photo frames/albums, Rosaries, jewellery and much more...



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



Tuesday evenings in Ballycane Church with Fr. Robert continue each week at 7.15pm - 8pm in the Day Chapel.

Tuesday 5th May: **Lectio Divina.**

Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw

There was no winner of the €4,350 Jackpot on 29th April.

Numbers Drawn were: 8-25-2-10



Lucky Dip winners were: N. Jarrett, Higgins Family, R. Greene, E. Morahan

You could win the Jackpot of **€4,600** on Weds. 6th May.

Thank you for your support.



**McAuley Place
Raceday Fundraiser
Naas Racecourse
Sat. 9th May 2026
Gates open 12pm
Lunch 1pm**

Tables of 10 - €1000.
Hospitality includes:
Admission, Racecard & Tipster
2 Course Meal in Panoramic Restaurant.
Available from McAuley Place &
www.mcauleyplace.ie

Threads of Memory The Heirloom Project

An exhibition of textile and mixed media artwork
Luisne Centre and Garden, McAuley Place, Naas

Opening Hours:
Tues, Wed, Thurs. 2-5pm
Sunday: 10am-2pm
Finishing:
Thursday 28th May

A community art project developed by element15 in collaboration with McAuley Place, exploring the idea of heirlooms - not just objects passed down through generations, but the memories, values and emotions woven into them.



Naas International Immersion Programme: are looking for families in the Naas area with school going children to host a Spanish student (11-17 yrs old). **Summer & Autumn Programmes 2026 available.** Families will receive a payment and your own children will be invited to join in the morning and afternoon Summer activities. Families are required to bring their Spanish student to Mass each Sunday. For more information contact naasiip@gmail.com or Angela Terry +34630557771



Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje: 10th-17th June 2026

€895pps

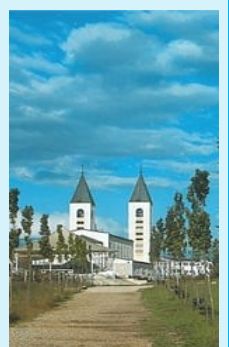
Spiritual Director: Fr. Robert

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

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Medjugorje Team.
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SBHI Kildare Branch

are holding their church gate collection today outside **Sallins Church**. Please support them in their work enriching and enhancing the lives of those living with Spina Bifida.



Monday is a Bank Holiday: there will be no 7.30am Mass and the Parish Offices and Shops will be closed until Tuesday at 9.30am.

Rosary Rally: Renewal of The Consecration of Ireland to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

In Knock on Saturday 6th June. Bus to Knock .. leaving Clane Church at 7.45am and the Square, Kilcock at 8.00am. €30 Return. To book: text Cera at 0868580229. (With stop on the way there and back.) For more details, go to www.AllIrelandRosaryRally.com



A Memorial Service for those who have died by suicide is being held on Friday 8th May at 7.30pm in Our Lady & St Joseph's Church, Caragh, Co Kildare, W91 AE73.
All are welcome.

