



NAAS SALLINS TWO MILE HOUSE NEWSLETTER



Mass Times: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) Gospel: John 1:35-42

<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

Call and Response.....

This Sunday, the readings focus our attention on God's call to discipleship. In the first reading, God calls the young Samuel three times, but Samuel in his innocence does not recognise God's voice until he is guided by Eli to respond whole-heartedly to the voice of the Lord.

The passage presents two important features of God's call to discipleship. Samuel's extended presence in the Lord's house prepares him for his future task. Secondly Samuel shows his willingness not only to remain in the Lord's company, but also to be submissive to his will. "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening", an aspect underlined in the response to the Psalm. "Here I am Lord, I come to do your will".

The call of Samuel was unexpected and Samuel was the most unlikely person to be God's prophet since he was still a youth. Today, God still calls his people, sometimes in very unlikely circumstances. At the beginning of the Twentieth century, an Italian boy heard God's call to follow him. He was the most unlikely candidate because his father was quite opposed to the Catholic Church. He was a member of the Italian Socialist Party and he often mocked the Church. His son Albino heard a Franciscan preach and he felt called to the priesthood. Albino's father was working in another city, and so Albino, with great fear wrote a letter to his father. After a long silence the reply finally arrived. There was only a small piece of paper on which his father wrote, "If that is your wish, do it." Eventually his father was reconciled with the Church. Albino kept the note all his life, and he still had it when in 1978 as Cardinal and Bishop of Venice, travelled to Rome for the election of a new Pope. Against everyone's expectation, the Cardinals elected him. He became known as "the smiling Pope", Pope John Paul I. His Papacy lasted only 33 days, but he left a deep impression.

We might reflect on where the Lord is calling us at this moment and how are we responding to that call?

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Opening Hours: Mon-Fri 10am-5pm
Wed: 10am-1pm: Lunch 1-2pm

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Opening Hours: Mon-Fri 10am-1pm

SALLINS OFFICE: Ph 897150

Opening Hours: Tuesday & Thursday
10am to 1pm

SACRISTY, Church of Our Lady and St David:
(during Mass times) Ph: 856925

SACRISTY, Church of the Irish Martyrs:
Ph: 895629

Confessions:

Every Saturday after the 10am Mass in the Church of
Our Lady and St David, Sallins Road.
Every Saturday after the 11am Mass in the Church of
The Irish Martyrs, Ballycane.

Parish Website: www.naasparish.ie

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Diocesan Website: kandle.ie

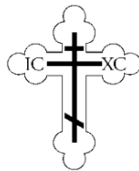
SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN; PARISH DESIGNATED PERSONS:

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.

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

Naas:

Antoinette O'Reilly, late of Main St
Noel Lawlor, Mountain View
Cathleen Benson, Dublin Road
John Mooney, Newbridge



Sallins:

Geraldine Mooney nee Rogan formerly Sallins
Thomas Moran, Millicent

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

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

Naas:

Clara Nuala Kelly, Bán na Gréinne
Cillian Luke McMahon, Oldtown Demesne
Eoghan Patrick Fahey, Sunday's Well
Thomas Michael S Cunningham, Kent
Skye Sarah Smith, Australia
Kitty Mary Kennedy, Woodlands
Samaira Gattu, Oakfield Court

Sallins:

Hugh Martin Smyth, The Waterways
Emma Anne Warren, Aylmer Park

Two Mile House:

Alice Muireann Veary, Stephenstown

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

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



Parish Finances:

<u>Sallins:</u>	Baskets:	€ 728
	Envelopes:	€ 855
<u>Naas:</u>	Offertory:	€4,808
	Development Fund:	€4,030
<u>Two Mile House:</u>		€ 1,048

Grateful thanks to all who support our collections.

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

**All Masses and Services in Naas Parish can
be heard on the Radio at 107.3FM**

**FEAST AND MEMORIAL DAYS
DURING THE COMING WEEK:**

Tuesday 17th: St Anthony, abbot

Saturday 21st: St Agnes, virgin and martyr

GAA Lotto:

Sallins: 09/01 Jackpot €4,150: Numbers 7-14-35; No winner; Venue 16/01 Railway Inn; Jackpot €4,300

Naas 05/01 Jackpot €1,150: Numbers 2-3-19-23: No winner: Next weeks' Jackpot €1,300.

Splotto/Ballycane Celtic: No Draw

Sallins Parish News

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction on Friday 20th January at 7.45pm.

Lourdes 37th Annual Pilgrimage from 26th June to 3rd July 2012..... 7 nights, full board in the Hotel Paradise. Cost €759. For bookings phone Rita Fanning at 045 861070. Payments may be made to Rita after the 12noon Mass on Sundays.

Sallins Conference of Saint Vincent De Paul may be contacted at 085 7052294.

Naas Parish News

Junior Infant Enrolments for Scoil an Linbh Íosa and Scoil Bhríde Completed Enrolment Enquiry Forms for September 2012 should be returned to the schools by Tuesday, 31st January.

Naas Lions Club is pleased to advise that an amount in the order of €40,000 was raised through the Christmas Food Appeal before Christmas. St Vincent de Paul in Naas and Sallins will benefit from all proceeds. We would like to thank all those who contributed for their generosity and to wish parishioners a very Happy New Year."

St Vincent de Paul Society Naas helpline phone number 045 897306.

KARE Naas Branch would like to thank most sincerely Naas Credit Union and all who supported the Christmas Hamper Raffle, which raised €143.

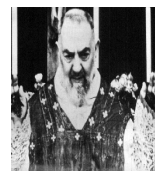
'Are YOU unemployed? Naas Local Employment Service invite you to kick off the new year on a positive note by registering with us and using our One-To-One Career Guidance service. For more information call to see us at our Naas Office, Unit 5, Rathasker Square, Kildare Road, or phone Eugene on 045 895555 for an appointment.

Night Classes —Spring 2012 at Piper's Hill College, Naas. Your New Year's Resolution.....Join a Local Night class. See Spring Brochure or for the full range of classes log on to www.kildarevec.ie. For further information phone 045 89892

Volunteer Advocates Third Age National Advocacy Programme is looking for people who would like to become a volunteer advocate for older people in residential care. The aim is to empower older people in residential care to voice their needs and wishes and assert their rights. Volunteers must be willing to undergo training and Garda vetting. We are currently recruiting for County Kildare. Please contact Anne Harris at 045 988 310 or anne.harris1@hse.ie for further information.

Mothers Prayers at the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane on Wednesdays at 8.15pm. All welcome.

SAINT PIO PRAYER GROUP



**Next Meeting Tuesday,
coming 17th January at
7.10pm in the Church of the
Irish Martyrs, Ballycane.
All welcome**

Two Mile House Parish News

Faith Friend Leaders; Training night takes place in Killashee School Hall on Wednesday coming, 18th January at 8pm.

General Notices

Ecumenical Service: Rotary Tree of Remembrance..... Remembering loved ones at Christmas. Naas Rotary Club displayed a Remembrance Tree at Tesco Extra, Naas in December last. For a small donation people were given the opportunity to remember a loved one by writing their name on a Yellow Ribbon which was then placed on the tree. These ribbons will now be presented at a special Ecumenical Remembrance Service in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Naas on Thursday next, 19th January at 8.15pm. The main beneficiary of the proceeds was Enable Ireland (Children's Disability Services), Jigginstown, Naas. All are welcome. Many thanks to all who donated....every little helped and Naas Rotary Club raised a total of €5,700.

“Join the Teenage Cancer Trust Team and give two hours to help young people in Ireland fight cancer. Teenage Cancer Trust is working with Argos and Homebase to raise an incredible £2.5million! All the funds you raise will help provide specialist care and support for Teenagers and young adults in Ireland with cancer. Please get involved and join our team, raising awareness and vital funds for Teenage Cancer Trust and Our Lady's Children's Hospital, Crumlin, by taking part in our national collection weekend at Argos. If you are free on Saturday 21 or Sunday 22 January 2012, we need you to come along and bucket collect for two hours at your local Argos store. Why not get your family and friends to help out too? Your support will help give teenagers the fight and attitude they need to beat cancer. To sign up or to find out more please contact James on 00 44 20 7612 0716 or email argosvolunteers@teenagecancertrust.org” If you would like any more information about the work of the Teenage Cancer Trust please visit our website, www.teenagecancertrust.org

New Year's Resolution.....Volunteer for the 50th International Eucharistic Congress (IEC2012)

which takes place in Dublin from 10th to 17th June 2012. Volunteers will have an integral role to play in the success of the Congress. Between two and three thousand volunteers will be needed during the week of the Congress and also to assist in preparations in the months leading up to the Congress. The Congress is recruiting volunteers for a wide range of roles such as administration, data entry, stewards, marketing, transport, meet and greet, multimedia, pastoral preparation and much more! If you would like to get involved please visit the IEC2012 website www.iec2012.ie/volunteer and fill out an online application or request an Application Form from the Congress office. Induction training sessions will be held on the 19th and 28th January in the RDS, Dublin. For more info please contact the IEC2012 offices on (01) 2349900 or volunteeradmin@iec2012.ie

Naas Library Interested in returning to Education or starting A New Course? Naas Community Library is holding an information day on 'Getting Back Into Education' in association with Kildare V.E.C.'s Adult Guidance Service on Tuesday 24th January 2012. There will be a guidance talk at 12pm, while there will be an information stand in Naas Library from 2-5pm. A representative from Kildare V.E.C.'s Guidance Service will be available to answer any queries and provide information. All are welcome on the day, and there is no need to pre-register.

STRESSCONTROL: Is STRESS, WORRY or feeling LOW getting in the way of you living your life? FREE courses of six classes to control stress in Kildare & West Wicklow: **Naas** in Ballycane Church, Naas on every Tuesday from January 17th until February 21st from 10.15am – 11.45 am. **Baltinglass** in The Lalor Centre, Baltinglass every Thursday from February 2nd - March 8th from 7pm–8.30 pm. INTERESTED? Text the word 'Stress' followed by 'Naas' or 'Baltinglass' and the number of people who wish to attend to 51444* (eg Stress Naas 3). Or simply just turn up on the day. Anyone can come along. Family and friends are all welcome too.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

A A meetings are now held in Naas Parish Community Centre on the Sallins Road on:

Monday & Thursday nights

at 8.30pm;

Tuesdays at 1pm;

Saturdays at 7.30pm.

Details from Frank: 087/9326374

BEREAVED? NEED TO TALK? WANT TO TALK!

QUALIFIED COUNSELLORS ARE AVAILABLE

EVERY THURSDAY NIGHT IN:

Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane

from 8pm to 10pm.

For more information phone:

045/895629 or 086 8554852.

This service is free confidential and non denominational.