

#### Mass Times

<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

<sup>\*</sup> The 7.30 pm Mass on Wednesday is celebrated in the Church of Our Lady and St David, Naas

### The Ascension of the Lord (Year C) 16th May 2010

### Archbishop Martin and the Future of the Church in Ireland

This week Archbishop Diarmuid Martin outlined in a speech how he viewed the future of the Church in Ireland. The line that received most attention was where he referred to his own personal feelings of being "disheartened and discouraged about the level of willingness to really begin what is going to be a painful path of renewal and of what is involved in the renewal" for the Catholic Church in Ireland. This is just one line from a very broad, comprehensive and challenging speech which poses many questions for us as a Church to reflect upon. One area he looks at is the safeguarding measures involving children. He says there "are worrying signs that despite solid regulations and norms these are not being followed with the rigour required." This poses a serious challenge for the Church not to become comfortable around safeguarding issues, but to be constantly vigilant.

He also covers other areas such as Catholic education, the present faith crisis, the changing face of our culture, the need for us to use various forms of media wisely, how we as Church members should live up to being witnesses of the Gospel message of Jesus Christ. He also faces the difficult question around sacraments and says that "admission to the sacraments is not something which is automatically acquired when one reaches a certain class in school." A challenging thought indeed!

Overall the Archbishop is optimistic, why? Well he is aware that the future of the Church is not in our hands, it will be guided by the Lord. That's our reason to be optimistic! But we must remember that we are the Lord's instruments, that is what the whole feast of the Ascension is all about. In our first reading today the disciples were left *looking into the sky* after the Lord left them. This is not our task, we must roll up our sleeves and get on with the work of the Gospel! Let us face the challenges posed by Archbishop Diarmuid Martin with courage and honesty!

(The full text of Archbishop Martin's speech can be found on www.dublindiocese.ie)

### **NAAS NOTICES CONTINUED:**

THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY WELCOMES YOU WITH GREAT JOY!

Brendan James Costello, Sundays Well

Tiarnan Odhran Corcoran, St Gabriel's Place

Katie Mary Britton, Dún na Ríogh Glen

Grace Maria Galloway, Water's Edge

Calum Shane Carpenter, Oakfield Heights

Andrea Helena Sharpe, Coneyboro, Athy



For those requesting the Sacrament of Baptism two weeks notice is required. Details from the Parish Office, Sallins Road. Ph 879730.

ST PIO PRAYER GROUP next meeting on Tuesday coming 18th May at 7.10pm in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. All welcome.

### St Mary's College, Sallins Road:

Thursday 20th May the 7.30pm Mass in Ballycane will celebrate the Graduation of Sixth Year Class from St Mary's NAAS AND TWO MILE HOUSE PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

from 16th to 23rd August 2010. Cost €785, full board per

person sharing twin room. Deposit €150 per person. Priest Leaders; Fr Jimmy Doyle & Fr Liam Comer. Bookings at Abbey Travel Naas; phone 045 897756.

Invitation to Open Evening at Scoil an Linbh Iosa, Ballycane, Naas on Wednesday 19th May 2010 from 7pm-9pm......come and meet the team and view the school.

Special Olympics would like to thank all who collected for and contributed to their recent Bucket Day collection in Naas. Amount raised was €1,466.

FIRST COMMUNION DATES FOR 2010

Our Lady & St David's Church Boys and Girls from Scoil Bhride Sunday 16th at 10am:

Sunday 16th at 12noon: as above as above

Sun 30th at 10am & 12 noon as above **Girls from Convent Primary School** 

**CONFIRMATION DATES** FOR 2010:

Sat 22nd at 11am & 2pm as above **Convent Primary & Scoil Bhride** 

**Church of Irish Martyrs** St Corbans School Sat 22rd at 11am & 2pm

# **Two Mile House Parish News**

Community Games 'Athletics Competition', for children THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY 3 to 15 years living in Two Mile House, takes place on Sunday WELCOMES YOU WITH GREAT JOY!

Abbigal Louise Lynch, New Caragh Court Calum Ian Quinless Stafford, Oakglade Amber Louise Katelyn Blake, Maple View

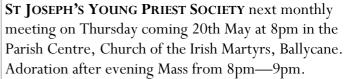
Baptisms on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 11.45am in St Peter's Church.

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

Kathleen Delaney, Punchestown Gate Br Ger Murphy, former teacher in CBS **Secondary School** 

Kathleen Walsh nee Waldron, late of New Row who died in Wexford

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



ST JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIEST SOCIETY ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK ON SATURDAY, 26TH JUNE 2010.

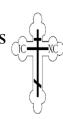
Bus departing from Naas at 8am with pick up points at Town House Hotel; Fairgreen and Parish Church. Cost €20. Contact Peggy at 879526; Gretta at 875432 or John at 866233.

23rd May from 1.30pm to 5.30pm at GAA grounds. Registration Fee €5 per child, €10 per family.

Parish Finance: €751

Community Games 'Swimming Events' take place Sunday 30th May at Monread Health Centre, Naas. Registration 7.30am; competition starts at 8am sharp.

You may contact Norma Carroll or David Murphy re Sports Day or Tommy O'Sullivan re swimming events.



# Naas-Sallins-Two Mile House-Parish Team

Fr. Tom McDonnell Parochial House, Naas Ph: 045 897703

Fr. Jimmy Doyle Sallins Ph. 045 897150

Fr. John Brickley Curate's House Ph: 045 897260

Fr. Paul Dempsey Two Mile House Ph: 045 876160

Fr. Bogdan Wawrzaszek 142 Hazelmere Ph: 045 879792

Sacristy, Church of Our Lady and St David: Ph: 856925

**Priest on Call:** 

Fr Paul Dempsey: Ph 045 876160

(Sallins Road): Ph 879730; (during Mass times)

Opening Hours: Mon-Fri 10am-5pm Sacristy, Church of the Irish Martyrs: Ph. 895629

Wed: 10am-1pm

Lunch: 1pm-2pm Parish Website: www.naasparish.ie

<u>BALLYCANE OFFICE</u>: Ph 895629 <u>Parish Email</u>: naasparishoffice@gmail.com

Opening Hours: Mon-Fri 10am-1pm <u>Diocesan Website</u>: kandle.ie

**SALLINS OFFICE**: Ph 897150

Opening Hours; Tuesday & Thursday

10am to 1pm

PARISH OFFICE, NAAS

FEAST AND MEMORIAL DAYS DURING THE COMING WEEK:

Tuesday 18th: St John 1, Pope and martyr. Thursday 20th: St Bernadine of Siena, priest.

Saturday 22nd: St Rita of Cascia, religious.

# **Sallins Parish News**

**Parish Finances:** 

Envelopes: €405 Baskets: €651

Grateful thanks to all who support our collections.

**Sallins GAA Lotto:** 

11/05 Jackpot €1,150 .... No Winner!! Numbers 18-19-34;

VENUE 18/5 Railway Inn; JACKPOT €1,300

REMINDER: There is <u>no</u> 10am Mass celebrated on Monday's in Sallins Parish.

HEALING MASS AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK for the parish and winder community will take place this coming Friday, 21st May at 7.30pm in the Church of Our Lady& Guardian Angels, Sallins. All are very welcome.

**LEGION OF MARY** on Tuesday's in the Community Centre after 10am Mass.

SALLINS PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL next meeting takes place on Thursday 20th May at 8pm.

SALLINS 35TH ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES ON 23rd June 2010 for 7 nights . Spiritual Directors:

Fr Tom McDonnell and Fr Colum Swan. **Final payments now due.** Phone Rita at 861070.

**Kenya Orphanage:** Sallins local man, Michael McLoughlin, will be holding a Gate Collection this weekend in aid of the Tara Project, whom he is travelling to Kenya with, on 5th June, to help build an orphanage. All donations will be greatly appreciated.

## **Naas Parish News**

Parish Finance: Development Fund: €4,387 Naas GAA Lotto: 13/05/10 (8-9-10-27)

Offertory: €3,948 No Winner!! Next Week's Jackpot: €11,350

### Two Mile House Continued:

Pastoral Council Meeting on Wednesday coming, 19th May at 8.15pm in the school.

**Two Mile House Community Dinner Dance** will take place in the Keadeen Hotel, Newbridge on Friday 28th May. Tickets from Bill Gibson phone 897160 or Joan Keogh phone 481499.

# **General Notices**

Next available Marriage Preparation Course takes place on 18th and 19th June 2010. Courses are held in the meeting rooms at the Church of the Irish Marytrs, Ballycane. Application Forms from the Parish Office, Sallins Road. Phone 045 879730. Brian Brady Youth Theatre presents GREASE at the Moat Theatre from Tues 18th - Sun 23rd May. Bookings phone 045 883030.

**Kildare Branch Arthritis Ireland:** Information Meeting on Wednesday 19th May at 7.30pm in Keadeen Hotel, Newbridge. Free Foot Scan between 6pm and 7.30pm. Guest Speaker: Dr David Kane.

KILDARE & LEIGHLIN DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK takes place on Sunday 6th June. Pick-up points for Bus from Naas/Kill Area: 7.50am Town House Hotel; 8am Naas Parish Ch. 8.00am Kill Parish Church; 8.10am Sallins.

Cost for Bus: €24 per adult; €12 per child. First Communion children travel free with parent or guardian. For bookings ph 045 871453/866543 or you may leave your name at the Parish Offices.

As in previous years Fr Liam Lawton and the Diocesan Choir will lead the singing.

You are invited to an afternoon for those interested in or curious about Priesthood in Kildare and Leighlin on Sunday next 23rd May from 3pm to 5.30pm in the Parish Centre, Portlaoise (behind the church). For more information contact Fr Ruairí O'Domhnaill, at 045 434069.

Kildare Branch 'Diabetes Awareness Day' on Sunday next, 23rd May from 2pm-5pm in Killashee House Hotel.....blood sugar screening, advice on diet, exercise, foot and eye care. Admission free, all welcome.

Naas Lions Club proudly present a Charity Gala Summer Concert on Sunday 30th May at 8pm in Killashee House Hotel featuring Baldonnel Singers with Celine Byrne, Paul Linehan and Artane Senior Band. Tickets available at Top Twenty, Veritas, Lawlors Hotel, Kilashee House Hotel & from Lions Club at 086 8257373.

