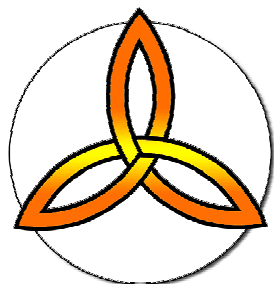


PARISH NEWS!.....PARISH NEWS!



NAAS

SALLINS

TWO MILE HOUSE

NEWSLETTER

Mass Times

Sundays

Our Lady and St David: Saturday Vigil: 6.30pm
Sunday 8.30am, 10am, 12noon, 6pm.

Irish Martyrs:: Saturday Vigil: 8pm
Sunday 11am, 12.15pm

Our Lady of the Rosary & Guardian Angels:
Sat Vigil: 6.30pm; Sun 10am, 12noon
St Peter's, Two Mile House: Sunday 11am.

Weekdays:

Our Lady and St David: Mon—Fri: 7.30am, 10am
Saturday 10am.

Irish Martyrs: Mon—Fri: 7.30pm; Saturday 11am
Our Lady of the Rosary & Guardian Angels:
Monday -Friday 10am.

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

1st Sunday in Advent (Year C) 29th November 2009

No: 1234

Advent, a time of expectation and waiting...

In many ways Advent is the loveliest season of what we call the Church's year. It occurs during those hectic weeks before Christmas, when everything is in a rush and there is a sense of excitement in the air. If we try to enter the season of Advent, it will repay us abundantly, helping us to come to a deeper and more soundly based understanding of our Faith, and a better knowledge of that Person who was expected and who we believe has come as our Saviour.

There are two basic themes or ideas that are central to Advent. The first one is that of *Expectancy* and the second one is that of *Waiting*. In order to have this feeling of Expectancy, we must first be aware of the need for something, or someone new in our lives. We must have some sense of our emptiness, our inadequacy, maybe even our sinfulness. At the very least we must be aware of our need for some form of new life, of salvation. In truth, we are longing for a Saviour, and Advent tells us to look forward with hope to His coming.

The second big theme of Advent is Waiting. One of the striking images of Advent is Mary. She must have wondered about and longed for the birth of her child. She had to be patient. She had to wait. We too must learn patience in our dealings with God. We have to learn to wait, to get in time with the rhythm of God and adjust our lives to them. This is part of what we try to do in Advent.

THE ADVENT WREATH:

The Four Candles of the Wreath represent the four weeks of Advent and the thousands of years that the People of God awaited the promised messiah. The candles are purple in colour in reminder of the Spirit of Penance and prayer that marks the Advent Season. One of the Candles may be Rose for the Third Sunday of Advent, traditionally known as "Gaudete Sunday" from the opening words of that Sunday's Liturgy: "Rejoice in the Lord always". The round Wreath itself symbolises the eternity of God and the Father's presence throughout human history.

NAAS—SALLINS—TWO MILE HOUSE—PARISH TEAM:

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Fr Bogdan: Phone 879792

PARISH OFFICE. NAAS

(Sallins Road): Ph 879730;
Opening Hours: Mon-Fri 10am-5pm
Wed: 10am-1pm
Lunch: 1pm-2pm

BALLYCANE OFFICE: Ph 895629
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Diocesan Website: kandle.ie

General Notices:

LITURGY OF HOPE will take place on Thursday, **3rd of December at 8pm** in churches throughout our Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin. This liturgy aims to offer hope during these difficult times. In our combined parishes of Naas, Sallins and Two-Mile-House, this liturgy will take place in Our Lady & St. David, Sallins Road, Naas, Our Lady and the Guardian Angels, Sallins and St. Peter's Church, Two-Mile-House. All parishioners are invited to come along to these liturgies of prayer and hope as a sign of solidarity in these challenging times.

Youth Mass in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane on Saturday next, 5th December at 8pm all welcome
Preparation for Christmas You are invited to pray and study the Advent Sunday readings each Tuesday during Advent, from 10.45am—11.30am in the Naas Parish Centre, Sallins Rd behind Veritas Shop. Sr. Peggy Cleary and Sr. Mary O'Connor will lead the sessions. All welcome.

Night Vigil in Knock on Monday 7th December in honour of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. For Bus bookings phone 045 876117/525432.

Getting Married in 2010? Next available Marriage Preparation Course takes place on 4th and 5th December 2009. Application Forms from the Parish Office, Sallins Road. Phone 879730.

Kildare Branch of Diabetes Federation of Ireland invite all 'Type One' Diabetics and their families to an information meeting on Thursday 3rd December at 7.30pm in the Boardroom, Naas General Hospital.

Concern Christmas Street Collection on 3rd, 4th and 5th December...your support is always necessary.

Baldonnell Singers present Christmas Carols & Festive Favourites in St David's Church of Ireland, Main St Naas on Saturday 12th Dec in aid of St Vincent de Paul; Tickets Top Twenty or Vincent's Shop, Friary Business Park.

Christmas Craft Fair in Caragh Community Centre on Sunday 6th December; doors open at 12noon. This year there will be an additional Children's Craft Corner. Free admission with refreshments served.

Sallins Parish News

Parish Office Hours; Tuesday & Thursday - 10a.m. to 1p.m. Phone; 045 897150
(Messages may be dropped in the letter box or phoned in whenever the office is closed.)

The Christian Community Welcomes You With Great Joy!

Lucy Mae Arnold, Osberstown Park
Sophie Theresa Doheny, Sallins Pier
Israel Ogedengbe, Castlefen
Daniel Toulson, Sallinsbridge
Finn Joseph Cleary, Sallins Park
Keely Mai O'Sullivan, Kilcullen

Baptism take place on the
1st and 3rd Saturday of
each month at 5pm.
Please contact the Parish
Office for details of book-
ings/requirements.

Anniversary Masses: November

Saturday 28th: 6.30pm:

John Rogan
Francie Nugent
Dessie Curran

Sunday 29th: 12noon:

Bill and Bridie Higgins
Vera O'Neill

Sallins GAA Lotto: 23/11 Jackpot €1,150... No Winner!! Numbers 7-30-32;
Venue on 30/11 Bridgewater; Jackpot €2,050!!

Sallins Parish Continued:

Parish Finances; Envelopes: €635 Basket: €763

Advent Dues: The collection for Advent will take place at all Masses this weekend.

FIRST FRIDAY; 4th December. The sick and housebound will be visited as usual.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction takes place at 7.30pm on Friday. You are welcome to join us for the hour or even only for a few minutes.

Legion of Mary meet on Tuesday coming, 1st December in the Community Centre after 10am Mass

Confirmation Enrolment takes place today. We welcome all the young people who join us to make their commitment to their programme of preparation.

Senior Citizens Christmas Dinner and Party today Sunday 29th Nov in the Naas Gold Club. All eligible welcome!!! Bus leaves from "Gala", The Square at 1.30pm, sharp. Dinner served at 2pm

Junior Infants Enrolment Forms for September 2010 are now available from Sallins National School. Closing date for receipt of applications is 31st January 2010.

The Sallins Conference of St Vincent de Paul can be contacted at 085 7052294

Naas Parish News

Parish Finance: Development Fund: €4,397 Offertory: €3,816

Naas GAA Lotto: 26/11/09 (8-21-22-23) No Winner!! Next Week's Jackpot: €8,050

The Christian Community Welcomes You With Great Joy!

Carla Anne Carmel Dalton, Dún na Ríogh Rise

Liam Thomas Mescal, Cluain Aoibhinn

Rory Brian McCarthy Kirk, Lucan

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

For those requesting the Sacrament of Baptism two weeks notice is required. Please contact the Parish Office for details.



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

Vera Brophy, Dublin Road
Joseph Fitzpatrick, Our Lady's Pl
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

FIRST FRIDAY 4TH DECEMBER 2009;

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

As usual on First Fridays there will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church of Our Lady and St. David, Sallins Road, after 10.00am Mass until 6pm.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND ST DAVID:

Thursday next (3rd) after 10am Mass &
Friday (4th) 9.30am - 10am & after 10am Mass.

CHURCH OF THE IRISH MARTYRS:

Thursday next (3rd) after 7.30pm Mass.

A Penitential Service will be incorporated in the 7.30pm Mass

COMMUNION TO THE HOUSEBOUND: Visits as usual.



Advent Station Collection takes place this weekend during all Masses.

Prayer Service; everyone welcome to join with the Deeley family and friends for prayers for the safe return of Trevor on Sunday 6th December at 7pm in Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane.

St Vincent de Paul Society Annual Appeal will take place at all masses on Sat/Sun, 5th/6th December. Donations may also be posted to the Society at P.O. Box No 1, Naas. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

NÁS NA RÍ SINGERS CHRISTMAS CONCERT with Guest Soloists and Orchestra on Friday 4th December at 8pm in the Church of Our Lady and St David, Sallins Road, Naas.

Tickets for concert will be on sale at the main entrance to the churches after all Masses this weekend. Proceeds to Our Lady & St David's Church Restoration Fund.

Tickets from Choir and Parish Council Members & Parish Office

Devotions:

Marian Movement Cenacle in Church of the Irish Martyrs Ballycane at 10.20am on Saturday, 5th December. All welcome.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception, 8th December the full Rosary will be prayed in Church of Our Lady and St David at 2pm. All welcome

Two Mile House Parish News

Parish Finance: €787

**The Christian Community
Welcomes You with great Joy!**

Aoibhe Lilly Kelly, Ballymore
Ruby Droney Smullen, Kilcullen
Aidan Eamon Michéal Ryan, Kilcullen

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place on the 2nd
Sunday of each
month at 11.45am.**

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Confirmation Meeting for Parents/Guardians; (Kilashee and TMH) takes place in TMH National School on Wednesday 2nd December at 8pm. All are asked to attend to plan the journey to Confirmation (25th April).

Confirmation Enrolment Ceremony takes place on Sunday 6th December at 11am Mass.

Parish Pastoral Council meeting at 8.15pm on Tuesday 1st December.

Table Quiz in aid of TMH GAA on Monday 30th November at 8pm in the 'Brown Bear'. Teams to 086 3521509

Christmas Cards in aid of 'ALMAS' on sale this Sunday.

Children's Colouring Corner..... First Sunday of Advent

Stay awake while you go about your daily chores