



NAAS SALLINS TWO MILE HOUSE NEWSLETTER



Mass Times

<u>Church</u>	<u>Weekdays</u>		<u>Sundays</u>
Our Lady and St David	Mon-Fri 7.30am, 10am	Saturday 10am.	Saturday Vigil: 6.30pm Sunday 8.30am, 10am, 12noon, 6pm.
Irish Martyrs	Mon-Fri * 7.30pm	Saturday 11am	Saturday Vigil: 8pm Sunday 11am, 12.15pm
Our Lady of the Rosary & Guardian Angels	Mon -Fri 10am.		Saturday Vigil: 6.30pm; Sunday 10am, 12noon
St Peter's Two Mile House	Friday 7pm		Sunday 11am

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

Fifth Sunday of Lent (Year C) 21st March 2010

“If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him be the first to throw a stone at her.”

A man was caught stealing and was brought before the king, who immediately gave orders that he be hanged. However, as he was being led to the gallows, the man told the prison governor that he knew a wonderful secret, which was taught to him by his father. He claimed that using this secret he could plant the seed of a pomegranate (a round tropical fruit containing many seeds in a juicy red pulp) and make it grow and bear fruit overnight. He said that it would be a pity if the secret died with him, and that he was willing to reveal it to the king.

The governor was so impressed that he halted the execution, and brought the man back before the king. There the man dug a hole in the ground and taking a pomegranate seed said, ‘Your Majesty, the seed must be planted by a person who has never taken anything that didn’t belong to him. I being a thief cannot do it.’ Then turning to the king’s official he said, ‘Maybe you would like to plant it.’

But the official refused saying, ‘In my younger days I kept something that didn’t belong to me.’ Then the man turned to the king’s treasurer and said, ‘Well then, maybe you would like to

plant it.’ But the treasurer too refused, saying, ‘Over the years I’ve handled a lot of money. Now and again I might have kept a little for myself.’

And so it went on. Finally there was only the king left. Turning to him the man said, ‘Perhaps your Majesty would do the honour of planting the seed.’ But the king said, ‘I’m ashamed to say it, but once I kept a watch that belonged to my father.’

Then the thief said, ‘All of you are great and powerful people and want for nothing. Yet none of you can plant the seed, whilst I who have stolen a little because I was starving am about to be hanged.’

The king pardoned him. That story would have ended very differently if the king had not been prepared to listen. Instead, thanks to his patience and to the imagination of the condemned man, no one died and they all learned a salutary lesson.

Surely the fact that we have all sinned, and therefore stand continually in need of God’s mercy, will make us refrain from casting stones at others.

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PARISH OFFICE, NAAS

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FEAST AND MEMORIAL DAYS DURING THE COMING WEEK:

Wednesday 24th: St Macartan, bishop

Thursday 25th: The Annunciation of the Lord.

Sallins Parish News

Parish Finances:

Envelopes: €280 Baskets: €592

Grateful thanks to all who support our collections.

Sallins GAA Lotto:

15/03 Jackpot €3,400No Winner!!

Numbers 2-11-13 ;

VENUE 22/03 BRIDGEWATER ; JACKPOT €3,550!!

CEREMONY OF LIGHT FOR THE CONFIRMATION CLASSES on Tuesday coming 23rd at 7.30pm. Dr Andrew O'Connell will speak with the parents and children during the ceremony.

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

THE TUESDAY CLUB will meet on Tuesday coming, 23rd March in the Community Centre from 2pm to 4pm. New members always welcome.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND BENEDICTION takes place Friday coming, 26th March 7.30pm.

SALLINS 35TH ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES ON 23rd June 2010 for 7 nights full board. €759(inclusive) per person sharing. Spiritual Directors: Fr Tom McDonnell and Fr Colum Swan. Details from Rita at 861070. Any outstanding deposits now due. Only limited seats now available.

THE COMMUNICATIONS SUB-GROUP IN SALLINS PARISH is looking for new members. If you are interested in joining or would like to come along to a meeting to find out more about the work of the Group, please contact Karen Hopkins at 086 3171248.

PARISH CENTRE: The downturn in the economy has meant that the provision of a new church and parish centre in Sallins will not now be able to go ahead in the immediate future. Some limited repairs have been carried out on the church and some more will follow in order to make it more user friendly and safer. The roof of the Parish Centre needs to be replaced now—renewal of the roof is part of the development allowed by the planning authorities. Work will begin on the building after 22nd April; it will be paid for by funds which have been earned by the renting of the upstairs of the centre for the past five years. During the renovation work the centre will be closed and the contractor will have full possession of the building and car park.

Apologies for inconvenience caused during the work.

Naas Parish News

Parish Finance: Development Fund: €3,739
Offertory: €3,693

Naas GAA Lotto: 18/03/10 (3-6-18-27)
No Winner!! Next Week's Jackpot: €10,150

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

Joe (Joseph) Patrick Costello, Oldtown Demesne
Hugh Brennan Costello, Oldtown Demesne
Aibhlinn Ellen O'Connor, The Park
Abbie Diney Higgins France, Caragh Rd
Savannah Comia Tuazon, Craddockstown Pk
Amy Margaret Costello Tyrrell, Castlefen
Brandon Aaron Daly, Alderwood Court
Robert Patrick Bodtker, Craddockstown Court



THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

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

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

Luigi Borza, Rathasker Heights
Mary McGarr, Our Lady's Place
Bernard Dillon, Tipper Road



MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

PREPARATION FOR EASTER Studying the Lenten Sunday readings continues on Tuesday morning coming, 23rd March from 10.45am to 11.30am in the Naas Parish Centre, Sallins Road, behind Veritas Shop. Sisters Peggy Cleary and Mary O'Connor will lead the sessions.

ST PIO PRAYER GROUP next meeting on coming Tuesday, 23rd March at 7.10pm in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. All welcome

AFTERNOON RETREAT with Fr Moling Lennon today Sunday 21st March at 2.30pm in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane concluding with Holy Mass..... **St Joseph's Young Priests Society.**

NAAS FLOWER AND GARDEN CLUB'S next meeting tomorrow Monday 22nd in the Teagasc Centre, Friary Road, at 7.45pm.....visitors and new members are very welcome.

NAAS COMMUNITY NATIONAL SCHOOL at Piper's Hill V.E.C. Education Campus, Killashee, Naas opening on 1st September 2010. Information and Enrolment evening for parents/guardians of those who wish to enrol their child in Junior Infants for September takes place tomorrow Monday 22nd March at 7pm at Piper's Hill College.

CHANGING TIMES IN SECOND LEVEL EDUCATION is a talk for parents organised by the Parents Council of the Naas CBS with speaker Senator Ronan Mullens. This talk will be held in the Naas CBS Secondary School on Wednesday 24th March at 8pm. All welcome.

MERCY CONVENT PRIMARY SCHOOL WITH THE GARDA BAND present An Evening of Music and Song on Thursday 25th March at 8pm in the Church of Our Lady and St David, Sallins Road. Tickets from Barker and Jones and the School. Proceeds to the Mercy Convent School.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUDORJE from 28th May for 7 nights (fully inclusive). Cost €629. Deposit €100. Spiritual Director; Fr. Bogdan. Contact John or Catherine at 866233/086 8563773.

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 and Fr Liam Comer. Bookings Abbey Travel, phone 045 897756.

MENS CLUB meetings take place on Thursday mornings at 10.30am in the Naas Community Centre...all welcome.

Two Mile House Parish News

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

Daithi Anthony De Lasa, Roseberry Hill
Baptisms take place on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 11.45am in St Peter's Church

PARISH FINANCE: €663

CONFIRMATION CEREMONY OF LIGHT for the boys and girls from Killashee and Two Mile House schools on tomorrow Monday, 22nd March at 7.30pm .