

Parish Newsletter

Third Sunday of Easter
10th April 2016

No 1541

John 20: 19-31



"Lord, You know that I Love You"

After what happened on Holy Thursday night we would have expected Jesus to write Peter off as being weak, cowardly and unreliable. Had Jesus done so perhaps we would have said that He had no other option, after all Peter was the leader of the apostolic team. He had set a terrible example for the others.

Yet Jesus did not write him off. He didn't even demote him, and there were no recriminations either. Judas' betrayal was a planned thing and was carried out in a cold, calculating manner. Peter's denial was the result of weakness rather than malice. Jesus, the reader of hearts, knew this.

After they had eaten, twice Jesus asked Simon Peter "Do you love me more than the others"? And both times he answered "Yes, Lord, you know I love you". Peter sincerely meant those words and what's more they were true.....he really did love Jesus.

Jesus knew that there was another and better side to Peter and had asked him to declare his love for him in public, since his denial had also been in public. Jesus kept no record of Peter's sins. But he did ask him to do something for him. He asked him ***"To feed my lambs and feed my sheep"***, that is, to love and serve his brothers and sisters in the community; and to ***"Follow me"***.

*O God,
You have chosen the Apostles
to make disciples of all nations;
And by Baptism and Confirmation
have called all of us to build up
Your Holy Church.*

*We earnestly implore You
to choose from among us,
Your children,
many priests, brothers and sisters
who will love You with their whole heart
and will gladly spend their entire lives
to make You known and loved by all.*

Jubilee of Mercy:

The prayer of Pope Francis:.....

"May the message of Mercy reach everyone" in these joy-filled days of Easter.

You are invited to a presentation/reflection/sharing on the theme: "Mercy is the force that awakens us to new life and instils in us the courage to look to the future with hope" on Tuesday, 19th April at 7.30pm at the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane.

Presenter: Fr. Brian Kavanagh.

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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PARISH TEAM

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SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

Naas: Andrew Fagan and Geraldine Faherty

Two Mile House: Anita Comer Julian **Sallins:** Ann Moran.

They can be contacted through the Parish Office, Sallins Road, Naas. Phone 045 87973

FEAST AND MEMORIAL DAYS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

Monday 11th: St Stanislaus, bishop and martyr

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

Naas:

John (Junior) Breen, Newbridge
and formerly of Naas

Marie Whelan, Craddock's House Nursing Home
and formerly of Main Street

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



RECENT BAPTISMS

Naas:

Alexander Finn Sweeney, Phibsboro

Sallins:

Emily Claire Domican, Millbridge Avenue

For those requesting the Sacrament of Baptism two weeks notice is required. Further details of Baptisms in Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House Parish at www.naasparish.ie/sacraments/baptism.



MASS TIMES

CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND ST. DAVID , SALLINS ROAD

WEEKDAYS: Mon-Fri 7.30am and 10am , Sat 10am

SUNDAYS: Sat Vigil 6pm Sun 9am, 11am and 6pm

CHURCH OF THE IRISH MARTYRS, BALLYCANE

WEEKDAYS: Mon, Wed and Fri 7.30pm

SUNDAYS: Sat Vigil 7.30pm Sun 10.30am, 12noon

CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND THE GUARDIAN ANGELS, SALLINS

WEEKDAYS: Tuesday and FRIDAY 10am

SUNDAYS: Sat Vigil 6.30pm Sun 10am and 12noon

CHURCH OF ST. PETER, TWO MILE HOUSE

WEEKDAYS: Friday 7pm

SUNDAYS: 11am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND ST. DAVID , SALLINS ROAD

Every First Friday before and after the 10am Mass

Every Saturday after the 10am Mass

NAAS PARISH NEWS

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT - *'The Catholic Parish of Naas, in Communion with Christ and with one another and guided by the teaching of the Second Vatican Council, endeavours to welcome, serve and nourish the whole community.'*

St Joseph's Young Priests Society next meeting takes place tomorrow, Monday 11th April at 8pm in the Parish Centre at the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. Adoration from 8pm to 9.30pm.

Naas Apostolic Work Society next meeting takes place on Tuesday coming, 12th April at 7pm in the Naas Community Centre, Sallins Road. New members welcome.

Legion of Mary 'Acies' will take place in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane on Sunday next, 17th April commencing at 2.30pm, concluding with Holy Mass and will be led by Fr Rúairí O'Domhnaill. All are most welcome with a special invitation to all our Auxiliary Members.

Table Quiz: St Corban's Boys National School Parent Teacher Association are holding a GIANT table quiz in the Naas GAA, Sallins Road on Friday 22nd April at 8pm. Please support.

Naas St Vincent de Paul helpline number 045 897306.

Our Annual Golf Classic for the Parish Church Restoration Fund will take place on **Friday, 20th May 2016.**



If you would like to participate as a Team on the day, Sponsor a Tee Box or Prizes for the Golf Competition or Raffle, please contact the Parish Office on 045 879730.

Toastmasters are meeting in Council Chambers, Naas Town Hall at 8pm on Monday coming, 11th April for a fun filled, enjoyable evening. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Naas Toastmasters Club next meeting takes place on Wednesday coming, 13th April at 8pm in Town House Hotel, Naas. Guests and new members always welcome.

St David's School, Naas. Kevin Dundon's Cookery Demo, takes place on Thursday, 28th April in the Westgrove Hotel, Clane. Craft/food stalls, prosecco reception, fab raffle, meet & greet with Kevin after demo. Tickets from Barker & Jones, Naas or The Westgrove Hotel or phone 087 8315996. All proceeds in aid of St David's School, Naas.

Wednesday Morning Cuppa takes place in the room at the back of the Church (Old Mortuary) every Wednesday morning after 10am Mass. *All welcome for a cuppa and a chat.*

The Brickx Club is a social club for kids aged 4-10 years in a fun and safe environment. Classes take place at Ballycane Church every Thursday, 4pm-5pm. Contact Dee 086 8124723 to book your place.

Mothers Prayers at the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane on Wednesday's at 8.15pm.

Parish Office is now open on Saturday from **10am to 1pm** to facilitate with Mass Cards, **only.**

SALLINS NOTICE

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament continues on Tuesday coming 12th April from 10.30am to 11am.

Sallins Conference of St Vincent de Paul contact phone number is 085 7052294.

Date for your Diary.....Sallins Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place on 24th June 2016. Cooleragh/Staplestown Parish will join with Sallins this year for the Pilgrimage.

Each year Sallins Lourdes Pilgrimage invite a number of sick people from Sallins and Naas

Parishes on their Pilgrimage. If you or a member of your family would like to be considered you can contact Rita directly on 861070 or 087 6536112. Spiritual Director; Fr. Jimmy Doyle.

TWO MILE HOUSE

St Peter's Church Two Mile House 225th Anniversary Book are available from Parish Offices, Naas, or from Art at 875618.

GENERAL NOTICES

Parish Finances:

Sallins: Baskets:	€ 650	Envelopes:	€ 430
Naas: Offertory:	€3,010	Development	€3,940
Two Mile House:	€ 421		

Sports Lottery Results:

Naas: 31/3 (7-9-24-27) No winner, Jackpot €7,900
Sallins: 4/4 (9-20-25) No winner, Jackpot €1,600
Splotto: No Results available

Trocaire Boxes may be left into the Sacristy or Parish Offices. **Please do not leave them within the churches/porches.**

WYD — World Youth Day: Sincere thanks to all who supported and contributed to the recent Church Gate collection on St. Patrick's Day in aid of World Youth Day. We have a group of 32 young people going to WYD from Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House. We raised €3,400, which is a great help to our fund and is very much appreciated. Many thanks. *Fr Liam and Grace.*

The Moat Theatre presents 'The Making of Herstory' ...The Defiant Women of 1916.... from Thursday to Saturday, 14th–16th April at 8pm, nightly. For bookings phone the Moat Box Office at 883030.

Kildare Down Syndrome present '**The Dublin Welsh Male Voice Choir**' for a Choral Evening with local guest choirs on Friday 22nd April at 8pm in the Church of Our Lady and St David, Sallins Road. Tickets from Parish Office 879730; Kildare Down Syndrome Office 045 487584; Cora 086 0869897; Mary 087 9772701; Kevin 0872540903. All proceeds to Kildare Down Syndrome.

St Corban's Cemetery: Please be vigilant at all times regarding your bag/personal belongings while visiting the cemetery and never leave any personal belongings in or exposed in your car.

You Could Win €5,750

On this Wednesday coming, 13th April in Naas Parish Lotto Draw Simply Buy A €2 Ticket And It Could Be You

There was no winner of the Jackpot on Wednesday 6th April; numbers drawn were 28-17-11-7 .

Tickets are available from the Parish Office, Sallins Road, or at The Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane .

Lotto Envelopes are also available in the Church Porches, simply complete and drop it into the Parish office before the weekly draw. Tickets can also be purchased from various outlets throughout the town

**Remember you can join the Lotto anytime. If you would like to join the Parish Lotto Draw or renew your Annual Subscription please complete your details below and return it to any of the Priests;
The Parish Office, Sallins Road: Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane.**

If you're not in you can't win!!

Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Number: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

**Please choose four numbers between 1 and 28
(inclusive) and write them in the boxes**



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Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje takes place from Wednesday 1st-8th June 2016 for seven nights. Price €659 (fully inclusive). Spiritual Director: Fr. Liam Morgan. To book phone John/Catherine Murphy at 866233 or John at 086 8563773.

Past Pupil's Union of St. Mary's College, Naas are holding a re-union for ALL past pupils to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the P.P.U. on Friday 17th June 17th at 8pm in Lawlor's Hotel. Preceded by a service of thanksgiving at 7pm in the Convent Chapel, McAuley Place. Meet and greet at 6pm at St. Mary's College for group photo. Parking available at St. Mary's.

The Big C Choir and Special Guests will again be performing a concert in aid of Cancer Research and to support the work of the Friends of St. Brigid's Hospice, The Curragh. This upcoming concert will be held in St. Brigid's Garrison Church, Curragh Camp on Friday 6th May at 8pm. This year, the Choir is delighted to support the work of St. Brigid's Hospice as it embarks on a major refurbishment and extension to the hospice on the Curragh. The choir is made up of cancer survivors and friends. This, their sixth concert, is to celebrate life, raise awareness and fight cancer through raising funds for cancer research and

support palliative care services. It will be a brilliant night with a concert of popular classics and sacred music presented by the Choir and a number of special guests. Tickets from the Parish Offices in Naas, Kildare, Newbridge, Carragh, Curragh Camp, Blessington, members of the C Choir, from St. Brigid's Hospice, Monasterevan or from 087 0547213. Do not miss out on a great night for a great local cause.

Traces of Memory Exhibition (A Contemporary look at the Jewish past in Poland). Holocaust Education Trust Ireland and Carlow College in association with the Galicia Jewish Museum, Krakow invite you to view the Exhibition in Carlow College, College St, Carlow from 6th to 29th April, inclusive. Phone 059 915 3200.

Naas Parish Bingo continues on Tuesday nights at 8.30pm sharp in the Care of the Aged Centre, Newbridge Road with *bigger* Prizes and Jackpot. All welcome



Thought for the Week:



If we look into each other's hearts and understand the unique challenges each of us faces, I think we would treat each other much more gently, with more love, patience, tolerance and care.

M. Ashton