



# NAAS SALLINS TWO MILE HOUSE NEWSLETTER



**Mass Times: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)**

<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

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

## *Forgive and Forget?*

A few years ago I was visiting a primary school on a Friday afternoon. The principal was there with two little girls, they were no more than about seven or eight. It was quite obvious that they were after having a major falling out with one another and the principal was using her experience and well acquired skills over the years to try and help the situation. She was trying to persuade one of the girls to forgive the other for a hurt that was caused. After a long time little Mary said that she would forgive the other girl but it would be about next Tuesday before she could talk to her!

I thought it was one of those great examples of forgiveness. Forgiveness is difficult and even when we do achieve it, the hurt can linger on for quite some time. It might be possible to forgive, but it's not so easy to forget.

I remember being in school myself one day and having a falling out with another student. We were sulking, heads down, in bad form with one another. There was no way that one was going to give in to the other. So the teacher, in his wisdom, said to us; "For God's sake lads will you stop acting like adults!" Of course this brought a smile to our faces and things were sorted out. I think that teacher had his finger on the button, because very often adults do behave in an impossible manner. We can dig the heels in and there can be no moving forward.

Looking at our history as Irish people, there have been some terrible disputes between family members over land or business. Families have parted ways never to communicate again. Or in other cases people can fall out and then forever hold a grudge and any opportunity they get they use it to blacken the other's name. In cases like these, and we all know of them, bitterness can set in and can eat away at a person's peace.

In the Gospel today Jesus tells us that if we arrive before the altar and find we have something against our brother, go and sort the problem out with your brother first, then come back to the altar. How are you with this?

**WEBSITE - For up to date parish news and articles please click on [www.naasparish.ie](http://www.naasparish.ie)**

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Wed: 10am-1pm: Lunch 1-2pm

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Opening Hours; Tuesday & Thursday  
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## 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.

## FEAST AND MEMORIAL DAYS DURING THE COMING WEEK:

Monday 14th: SS Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop, Patron of Europe  
Saint Valentine  
Thursday 17th: Saint Fintan, abbot

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

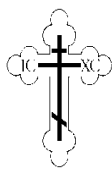
### Naas:

Paddy Sheridan, Sundays Well

### Sallins:

Johnny Heffernan, Rahadoon

*MAY THEY REST IN PEACE*



THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY WELCOMES  
YOU WITH GREAT JOY!

Rebecca Jane Carroll, Gleann na Ríogh Close  
Harry John Robinson, Carragh  
Grace Dunne McDonald, Carlow  
Ailbhe Gemma Cecilia O'Loughlin, Elmwood



## THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

For those requesting the Sacrament of Baptism  
two weeks notice is required. For further  
details of Baptisms in Naas, Sallins & Two Mile  
House see Parish website [www.naasparish.ie](http://www.naasparish.ie)

## Parish Finances:

<u>Sallins:</u>	Baskets:	€ 685
	Envelopes:	€ 418
<u>Naas:</u>	Offertory:	€3,000
	Development Fund:	€4,071
	<u>Two Mile House:</u>	€ 513

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](http://www.naasparish.ie) click on "current  
parish newsletter" or "parish newsletter past issues."

## GAA Lotto:

Sallins: 07/02 Jackpot €1,750: One winner: Num-  
bers 7-12-15: Venue 14/02: The Mill: Jackpot €1,000

Naas: 03/02 Jackpot €5,600: No winner: Numbers:  
7-14-19-28: Next weeks' Jackpot €5,750

Splotto /Ballycane Celtic: 06/02 No Winner:  
Numbers 11-19-25-26: Next weeks' Jackpot €3,100

## Sallins Parish News

**Confirmation Meeting** takes place on Thursday coming, 17th Feb at 8pm in Sallins Church. As this month's theme is the 'Eucharist' mass will be celebrated. Speaker on the night will be Mary Connolly, Liturgical Advisor in the Diocese of Tuam.

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

**Sallins Annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes** takes place from 26th June to 3rd July....7 nights full board. Spiritual Directors: Fr Tom McDonnell and Fr Colum Swan. Further details/bookings contact Rita at 045-861070.

Each year Sallins Lourdes Pilgrimage invite a number of sick people from the Parish to join them on their pilgrimage. If you or a member of your family would like to be considered, you may contact a committee member (names and phone numbers available at back of Sallins church).

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction** as usual on Friday coming, 18th Feb at 7.30pm.

### SALLINS PARISH CENTRE:

The recent renovation of the Parish Centre has been warmly welcomed by all those who use the facility. Congratulations to Colm Hassett and Murt Robotham for a job well done.

When the final payments are made almost €100,000 will have been spent on the renovation. This money came from the resources of the centre and the parish.

A rejuvenated committee is now looking after the care of the centre and finds itself low on funds to meet the ongoing running costs. The committee has secured permission for a church gate collection in Sallins on the 26th and 27th February and hopes to raise some funds to help meet running costs. The members of the committee appreciate that this is not an easy time for people to support collections, but they would be grateful for all the help parishioners can give.

## Naas Parish News

**ST PIO PRAYER GROUP** next meeting on coming Tuesday, 15th February at 7.10pm in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. All welcome

**Confirmation Programme:** takes place this Thursday evening at 8pm. Students from St. Corban's gather in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. Students from the Convent and Scoil Bhríde gather in Our Lady and St. David's, Sallins Rd. This will be a prayerful evening where we will focus on the Confirmation Pledge.

**Annual Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje:** 29th April 2011. Cost €599 fully inclusive for 8 nights. Spiritual Director: Fr O'Saorai. For bookings phone John or Catherine Murphy at 045/866233 or 0868563773 or Parish Office, Sallins Road.

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

**Goal Christmas Mile:** Despite the very white Christmas and the rather black recession, the GOAL Christmas Mile raised a staggering €3,824.03. Many thanks to all who participated and supported it so generously.

**Whist Lessons** in the Care of the Aged Centre (beside the Fire Station, Newbridge Road) on Sunday's at 4pm. All welcome.

**Lost:** Pair of prescribed glasses between Merrins Shop and Aldi during the past week. Ph Parish Office 879730.

## Two Mile House Parish News

**Confirmation Ceremony of Light** takes place this Tuesday, 15th of February, in St. Peter's Church, at 8pm sharp. All Confirmation candidates are to attend. We thank all the leaders who took part in the recent Faith Friends Programme.

**Do This in Memory Mass;** we welcome all those involved with First Communion to our mass today.

**Fun Quiz:** Two Mile House National School, Parents Council, are holding a Fun Quiz on Friday coming 18th February in The Brown Bear at 8pm. There will be plenty of spot prizes. To reserve your table phone Sean at 087-285 8173, Padraig at 087-225438 or Dorothy at 087-2511373.

## **Welcome!!**

This week we welcome Fr Declan Thompson to our parish team. Fr Declan comes to us from St Patrick's Missionaries, Kiltegan. He began his ministry as a priest in Kenya, followed by Zimbabwe. He has also ministered in Canada and England. He will be living in Sallins. We all wish Fr Declan a very happy and fruitful time with us in these parishes.

## **General Notices**

### **Nás na Ríogh Housing Association:**

In Spring 2011 Nás the Ríogh Housing Association is scheduled to open McAuley Place, a housing scheme which comprises of 53 apartments.

Applications for housing are now invited from interested parties. Applications are welcome from men, women and couples aged 65 and over who are capable of independent living. Priority will be given to people from Naas and the surrounding areas or returning emigrants with ties to the locality who are registered on the Safe Home Programme.

Information packs and application forms are available from Nás na Ríogh Housing Assoc Office, located on the second floor in the Naas Community Centre, Sallins Road. Should you require further information please phone 087-0997323 or email [nnrhao@gmail.com](mailto:nnrhao@gmail.com).

**Garda Band:** Scoil an Linbh Iosa, Ballycane presents the Garda Band on Thursday 24th March at 8pm in the Church of Our Lady and St David, Naas. Tickets from Scoil an Linbh Iosa, Top Twenty Naas, Parish Office Sallins Road and Ballycane.