

Mass Times: The Baptism of the Lord (Year C) Gospel: Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

<u>Church</u>	<u>Weekdays</u>		<u>Sundays</u>
Our Lady and St David, Naas	Mon - Fri 7.30am, 10am	Saturday 10am.	Saturday Vigil: 6pm Sunday 8.30am, 10am, 12noon, 6pm.
Irish Martyrs, Ballycane, Naas	Mon - Fri 7.30pm	Saturday 11am	Saturday Vigil: 7.30pm 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

Baptism Sunday... Ministry Sunday!

Today we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord. At the end of the Gospel we hear the Father's affirming words to Jesus; "This is my Son, the beloved, my favour rests on you." We all share in this baptismal calling as Christians. When we were baptised the same affirming words of the Father were addressed to us; "You are my child, my beloved, my favour rests on you!" What a powerful affirmation that is! In baptism each one of us became a son or daughter of God the Father, a brother or sister of Jesus Christ, a temple of the Holy Spirit and a member of the body of Christ, the Church.

As a member of the Church community, through baptism, each of us has a role to play. The most important role is to be a witness for Christ in the way we live our lives. However there are other, more specific roles to be carried out in the life of the Church too. These roles are about service and are referred to as "ministries." Ministries are wide and varied. We are probably most familiar with the ministries we see at Sunday Mass; Readers, Eucharistic Ministers and Collectors. However many other ministries exist.

With this in mind, the new Parish Pastoral Council in Naas is inviting people to reflect upon their role in the life of our parish. Perhaps you might consider getting more involved? With this in mind, there is an accompanying sheet with this newsletter. We ask you to take a copy home with you and to reflect upon the possibility of getting more involved.

Members of Naas PPC will be around after masses this weekend to answer any questions you may have or feel free to contact any of the priests. St. Paul reminds us that "there are a variety of gifts, but always the same Spirit," may we put those gifts at the service of one another in our parish.



Thought for the Week:

Naas-Sallins-Two Mile House-Parish Team

Fr. John Brickley Parochial House, Naas Ph: 045 897703

Fr P.J. Madden Curates House, Naas Ph: 045 897260

Fr Declan Thompson Sallins Ph 045 897150

Fr. Paul Dempsey Two Mile House Ph: 045 876160

Fr. Bogdan Wawrzaszek 142 Hazelmere, Naas Ph: 045 879792

Priest on Duty: 085 7088407

PARISH OFFICE, NAAS

(Sallins Road): Ph 879730; Fax 894287

Opening Hours: Mon-Fri 10am-5pm

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

BALLYCANE OFFICE: Ph 895629

Opening Hours: Mon-Fri 10am-1pm **SACRISTY**, Church of Our Lady and St David:

(during Mass times) Ph: 856925 SACRISTY, Church of the Irish Martyrs:

Ph: 895629

Confessions:

Every Saturday after the 10am Mass in the Church of

Our Lady and St David, Sallins Road.

Every Saturday after the 11am Mass in the Church of The Irish Martyrs, Ballycane.

Parish Website: www.naasparish.ie

Naas Parish Email: naasparishoffice@gmail.com Sallins Parish Email: sallinsparishoffice@gmail.com

Diocesan Website: kandle.ie

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. Ph 045 879730.

Parish Mission Statement:

"The Catholic Parish of Naas, in Communion with Christ and with one another and guided by the teachings of the SecondVatican Council, endeavours to welcome, serve and nourish the whole community."

Parish Finances:

Sallins: Baskets: € 700

Envelopes: € 480

Naas: Offertory: €3,670

Development Fund: €3,758

Two Mile House: € 812

THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY WELCOMES YOU WITH GREAT JOY!

Naas:

Niamh Maria Doyle, Melbourne

Sallins:

Aoife E Gallagher, The Maudlins

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

GAA Lotto:

Sallins: 7/01 Jackpot €1,600; Numbers 16-20-30 No

winner; Venue 14/01 The Mill; Jackpot €1,750

<u>Naas</u>: 03/01 Jackpot €6,700: Numbers 11-18-22-26;

No winner: Next weeks' Jackpot €6,850.

Splotto/Ballycane Celtic: No results available

Naas United FC: No Results available

The Master is here; He is calling you".

Would you like to spend an hour each week in silent prayer? Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place in the Church of the Irish Martyrs,

Ballycane: Monday and Tuesday: 10am - 9pm

Wednesday: 10am - 9.30pmThursday: 8pm - 9pm FEAST & MEMORIAL DAYS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

Tuesday 15th: St Ita, Virgin

Thursday 17th: St Anthony, abbot

Is someone's drinking affecting your life. Al-Anon can help? Meetings every Monday night at 8.15pm in Parish Centre, Ballycane.

Sallins Parish News

<u>Eucharistic Devotion</u> continues on Tuesday between 10.30am and 11.30am. Everyone welcome. Sallins Conference of St Vincent de Paul contact phone number is 085 7052294.

Naas Parish News

<u>Adoration</u> in the Adoration Chapel in the Church Of the Irish Marytrs, Ballycane will finish at 7pm on Tuesday coming,15th January.

<u>Renewing our Faith!</u> As part of the Year of Faith, Naas Parish Pastoral Council is organising three nights of prayer and reflection from Thursday, 31st January to Saturday, 2nd February. This will take place during the 7.30pm Mass on each of these nights. More details next week.

<u>Week of Prayer for Christian Unity</u>: An Ecumenical Service will take place on Friday 25th January at 8.30pm in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane.

<u>Saint Pio Prayer Group</u> next Meeting Tuesday, coming 15th January at 7.10pm in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. All welcome.

<u>St Joseph's Young Priest Society</u> next meeting Thursday coming, 17th January at 8pm in the Parish Centre at the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. Adoration from 8pm to 9.30pm.

<u>Pro Life Vigil</u> will be held in Merrion Square, Dublin on Saturday coming, 19th January 2013. Bus leaving from the Church of Our Lady and St David, Sallins Road Naas at 3pm. To book contact John Murphy at 086 8563773. *Booking essential*.

<u>Naas Active Retirement Assoc</u> next meeting Wednesday coming, 16th January at 2pm in the Naas Community Centre, Sallins Rd.

<u>School Enrolment for 2013</u>: Have you a child who will be starting school in 2013? Enrolment Forms are now available at Scoil Bhride, Sallins Road and Scoil an Linbh Iosa, Ballycane for September 2013. Closing date for enrolment is Thursday, 31st January 2013. Please call to Reception, at either school, for an Enrolment Form.

Set Dancing resumes on Wednesday 16th January from 7.30pm -9.30pm at McAuley Place, Naas. Adm €3. All proceeds to Nás Na Riogh Housing Association, phone 045 897833.

<u>Volunteers</u> required to help in the Arts and Culture Centre at McAuley Place..... Interest in marketing, box office facilitating events and workshops is required. Phone 045 897833.

St Vincent de Paul Society Naas helpline phone number 045 897306.

<u>Found</u>: Bike found in the Friary Road Car Park. Phone John on 086 8409493.

<u>Adult Education Night Classes</u>, Pipers Hill College, Naas.....see Spring 2013 Brochure or log on to www.kildarevec for details of all classes in Pipers Hill College or in other VEC Centres.

Two Mile House Parish News

<u>First Communion Programme</u>: Organising Committee meeting takes place on Tuesday coming, 15th January at 8.15pm in the School Staff Room. Please note change of date.

<u>Confirmation Faith Friends</u>: This programme, for all Confirmation candidates in Two Mile House and Killashee, will take place from 8pm to 9pm on Tuesday, 22nd January and Tuesday, 29th January in Killashee School Hall.

<u>School Enrolment for September 2013</u>; Closing date for receipt of completed Enrolment Forms for Two Mile House NS is Thursday, 31st January 2012.

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 click on "current parish newsletter" or "parish newsletter past issues."

General Notices

The Big C Concert: Rehearsals for the concert, taking place in April 2013, continue on Wednesday coming, 16th January in Caragh Parish Church at 8pm. For more info you can contact Christine at 087 0547213 or Lisa at 086 3914152. All proceeds from the concert to cancer research.

<u>Celebrate The Year of Faith</u>: Day of Prayer, Rosary, Adoration and Holy Mass at Knock Shrine, St John's Rest & Care Centre on Saturday 2nd February from 10am to 5pm; Preached by Fr Kilian Byrne, Foyers of Charity For local bus please contact www.foyerofcharity.ie or phone Helen Mahon 087-6735573 or 045-868434.

<u>Prayer Service for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity</u> at Focolare Centre, Curryhills House, Prosperous on Wed 16th January from 8-9pm. Together in Faith – What does God require of us?

Adult Basic & Community Education now enrolling for their Spring'13 classes at their Centre at Jigginstown, Naas. Phone 045 881863 or log on to ceoutreach@abce.ie

<u>Kildare VEC Community</u> <u>Education</u> <u>Service</u> are inviting community groups to participate in a series of creative and empowering workshops, starting as soon as possible, to reflect on your learning and develop skills to promote and showcase your groups achievements. Ultimately we want to showcase the achievements of our learner groups at a public celebration event during Adult Learners Week starting February 25th. Limited places. For further information and registration contact the Kildare VEC Community Education Service at the ABCE Centre, Jigginstown, Naas at 045-881863 or info@abce.ie

<u>Irish Society for Colitis & Crohn's Disease</u> (Patient Support Group) are holding a Cork Open Day on Saturday 26th January at 2pm in the Main Lecture Theatre, Cork University Hospital. This is a Public Meeting and patients, friends and families are most welcome. Admission Free. For more information Email: info@iscc.ie or phone (01) 872 1416; Postal address: Irish Society for Colitis & Crohn's Disease, Carmichael Centre for Voluntary Groups, North Brunswick Street, Dublin 7.

