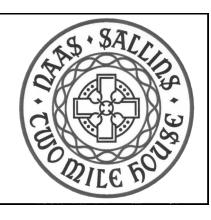
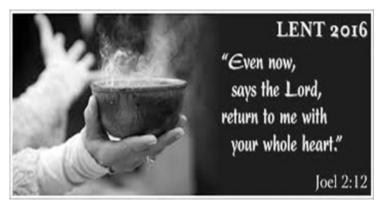
Parish Mewsletter

5th Sunday of Lent 13th March 2016

John 8:1-11





"Return to me with your whole heart"

No 1537

As followers of Christ, our Christian faith is at the heart of the journey we make in this life.

During these weeks of preparation for Easter, we are presented with the opportunity to share more deeply in the human experience of Jesus himself. Coming, as he did, to do God's will,

Jesus fulfilled the promise of God's kingdom in

heaven for us. Through his obedience, the love of God the Father for all people is laid bare in Jesus Christ crucified on the cross.

Ministering to the poor, the hungry, the oppressed and the afflicted, Jesus showed us by example that he came "not to be served, but to serve" (Mk. 10:45). This is a fundamental truth of our faith.

And so the words "Even now, says the Lord, return to me with your whole heart" can leave us in no doubt as to the immensity of the Father's love for each one of us. Our challenge is to grow into the people God has called us to be.

"God loved us before he made us; and his love has never diminished and never shall."

Julian of Norwich (Christian Mystic)

Mass Changes at the Church of Our Lady and St David, Sallins Road:

On both St Patrick's Day, Thursday coming the 17th March and Easter Sunday the 27th March there will be **No 6pm evening Mass** on either of these dates

The full *Time Table* for Holy Week and Easter will be published in next Sunday's Newsletter. On Good Friday the Liturgy of the Lord's Passion will take place at <u>5pm</u> in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane.....note change of time.

St Patrick's Day Church Gate Collection for World Youth Day......

We are delighted to have over 30 young people travelling to Krakow in Poland on the 24th July 2016. There they will join with Pope Francis and with young people from all over the World.

As a Parish Team we would be most grateful for your kind support with the above fundraiser. We pray that the experience for our young people in Krakow will help deepen their faith and give to them an appreciation of the Church of Jesus to which they belong.

With thanks, Fr Liam and Grace Keevans, co-ordinator of the J.P II Awards.

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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Naas: Andrew Fagan and Geraldine Faherty

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Sallins: Ann Moran.

They can be contacted through the Parish Office, Sallins Road, Naas. Phone 045 879730

FEAST AND MEMORIAL DAYS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

Thursday 17th: St Patrick, Principal Saint of Ireland

Christ be beside; Christ be before me; Christ be above me never to part.

Saturday 19th: St Joseph, Husband of the Blessed

Virgin Mary

St Joseph, the work man, help, protect and guide us all in our work each day. Amen.

THOSE WHO DIE IN GRACE GO BUT TO GOD

AND GOD IS VERY NEAR"

Naas:

Ruth Fell, McAuley Place Philip O'Brien, The Paddocks Frank Stone, Woodlands



MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

RECENT BAPTISMS

Naas:

Kate Elizabeth Sheehan, Killashee View Nikodem Wojciech, Clane

Sallins:

CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND ST. DAVID, SALLINS ROAD

MASS TIMES

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: Tues and Fri 10am

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

Church of St. Peter, Two Mile House

WEEKDAYS: Friday 7pm

SUNDAYS: 11am

CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND ST. DAVID, SALLINS ROAD

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Every First Friday before and after the 10am Mass Every Saturday after the 10am Mass

Emily Cawley, Castlefen

Darragh Adrian Delaney, Millbank

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

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.

Preparation and Reflection for Easter:

The next Lenten Sunday Readings prayer meeting takes place in the room at the back of the Church on Tuesday coming, 15th March after 10am Mass.

Also we invite Parishioners to come together on Tuesday and Thursday evenings during Lent at 7.30pm at the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane for a half hour of gentle prayer, reflective music, stillness and welcomed calm.

St Joseph's Young Priests Society next meeting takes place tomorrow, Monday 14th March at 8pm in the Parish Centre at the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. Adoration from 8pm to 9.30pm

St Patrick's Day Mass Times Thursday, 17th March

Our Lady and St David:

Wednesday: 6pm (Vigil);

Thursday: 9am (bilingual) and 11am.

Irish Martyrs:

Wednesday: 7.30pm (Vigil)

Thursday: 10.30am and 12noon

Sallins:

Thursday: 10am and 12noon.

Two Mile House:

Thursday: 11am

The 4th Kildare Naas Scout Group will be participating at the 9am Mass in the Church of Our Lady & St David on St Patrick's Day.

Organ at Church of Our Lady and St David:

Last autumn I signed a contract for the restoration of our greatly valued organ. This was agreed after a detailed survey was carried out. The plan was to begin the work soon after Easter. In the meantime the blower failed to function closing the instrument down. A new, quieter and more efficient blower is now en route. We are advised to have this fitted now which means we have our organ back for Easter and before the end of April the restoration will begin, necessitating the closing of our organ and organ gallery for three months. This is another stage to the refurbishment of the Church of Our Lady and St David.

Easter Mass Bouquet Cards are now available from the Parish Offices.

Newsletter Deadline for Sunday coming, 20th March is 12noon on Tuesday.

Nás na Ríogh ICA Guild next meeting Monday, 14th March at 8pm in Naas Community Centre, (behind McAuley Place). New members welcome.

Cake Sale organised by the Baldonnel Male Voice Choir takes place in the back porch at the Church of Our Lady and St David on Sunday next, 20th March after the 9am and 11am Masses.

Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind annual church gate collection next weekend, 19th/20th March. Your continued support will be much appreciated.

A most heartfelt Thank You on behalf of Naas Branch of the Order of Malta to all who contributed to their recent Church Street Collection which raised €1,672.53 and thanks to your wonderful generosity these funds will enable us to support six people on pilgrimage to Lourdes at the end of April.

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

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

Lost: Engagement Ring lost within the town centre area three weeks ago. Phone Parish Office 879730

SALLINS NOTICE

Mass Change: There will be <u>no</u> 6.30pm Vigil Mass on Wednesday coming, 16th March, eve of St Patrick's Day in Sallins.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday coming 15th March from 10.30am —11am.

Sallins Branch of St Vincent de Paul are always grateful for donations of small pieces of furniture, reusable clothes, house-hold items, bric-a brac etc.

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. Spiritual Director will be Fr. Jimmy Doyle. For more details phone Rita Fanning on 045 861070 or 087 6536112.

Volunteers: We are looking for volunteers to help clean our church in Sallins on a rota basis. If you would like to help please leave you name and phone number with Moira, the Sacristan.

TWO MILE HOUSE

Week Day Masses during Lent: Monday to Thursday at 9.15am and Friday evening at 7pm, as usual.

Liturgy Meeting tomorrow Monday 14th March at 8.15pm in the school.

Proclamation Day Celebration. You are invited to Two Mile House National School on Tuesday coming, 15th March at 10am for our Proclamation Day Celebration and the raising of our National Flag.

St Peter's Church Two Mile House 225th Anniversary Book has now been launched. Copies are available from Parish Offices, Naas and Barker & Jones, Naas; Valentine's Post Office, Two Mile House or Bill at 897160 and Art at 875618.

You Could Win €4,750

On this Wednesday coming, 16th March in Naas Parish Lotto Draw Simply Buy A €2 Ticket And It Could Be You

There was no winner of the Jackpot on Wednesday 9th March; numbers drawn were 1-6-13-10.

Tickets are available from the Parish Office on the Sallins Road, or in 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:		
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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

Parish Finances:

Sallins: Baskets: € 796 Envelopes: € 560 Naas: Offertory: €3,695 Development €3,780

Two Mile House: € 628

Sports Lottery Results:

Naas: 3/3 (6-14-18-25) No winner, Jackpot €7,300 Sallins: 7/3 (3-15-17) One winner, Jackpot €1,000

Splotto: No Results available

Male Volunteers needed for the Shop/Store of Renaissance Shop McAuley Place, Sallins Road. As moving of furniture may be required training in manual handling will be provided. For more information call to reception at McAuley Place or phone 087 4558700 or phone shop 087 4119027.

Thought for the Week:

You'll get over the potholes, even if you have to pull yourself out. Yes, those hills go up and down, but you'll always level out.



A Message to You from Bishop Denis

I want to take this opportunity to invite you to come to Carlow for this year's celebration of the Chrism Mass on Monday, March 21st at 7.30pm in the Cathedral. During this Mass the Holy



Oils that will be used across the diocese in baptisms, confirmations, ordinations and anointing of the sick will be blessed and the priests of the diocese will renew their vows of ordination. We will be led in song on the night by the Diocesan Choir, and I am delighted that many of our young pilgrims going to World Youth Day this Summer will be with us also. I look forward to meeting and saying hello to as many of you as possible.

Holy Land Pilgrimage for Naas, Sallins, Two Mile House and Carlow Parishes takes place from 2nd to 10th September 2016. €1,495 per person sharing €200 booking deposit required. Spiritual director, Fr. Liam Morgan. Bookings through Parish Office, Naas or Tullys Travel, Carlow. Ph: 059 9136100.