

# Parish Newsletter

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
15th February 2015

No 1487

Mark 1:40- 45



Season of  
Lent

## Synod on the Vocation and Mission of the Family

As a follow up to the Synod held in Rome last October and in preparation for the second part, which will conclude next October, each diocese has received a set of questions for discussion and reply. Our diocese has set March 13th as the date for our replies to be in. From this sharing our bishops will draw up a document reflecting the views of the Irish Church which will be sent to Rome in April. This, in turn will feed into the document which will form the agenda for this most important Synod. It is the first time there has

been such wide consultation and reflects the mind of Pope Francis to involve the entire pilgrim People of God in the process.

You may make a personal comment or reflection, addressed directly to Bishop Denis Nulty, Old Dublin Road, Carlow, or attend an open meeting on Thursday 12th March at 7.30pm in

Mount St Anne's, Killenard. The document and questions are available on [www.kandle.ie](http://www.kandle.ie)

Meantime LENT begins on Wednesday and offers us all an opportunity to reflect on our life's pattern, with a view to appreciating that we are, each of us, a unique gift of God. Lent is a time to reflect on how we are using this gift for His glory and the good of others. So, Let's Eliminate Negative Thoughts (LENT) over the next 7 weeks.

## Parish Mission October 18th-23rd 2015

We are delighted to announce this weekend at all our Masses 'A Parish Mission' planned for October 2015. We are eagerly looking forward to our Mission being directed by the Redemptorist Mission Team of Fr. Seamus Enright, Ms Niamh O'Neill and Fr. Derek Ryan.

We hope that this week of prayer, celebration and of reaching out to one another, will give us that opportunity to celebrate our faith and deepen our sense of belonging. We are three parishes, rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, fellow pilgrims on the journey of life. Reaching out to each other in ways that are: encouraging, supportive and inclusive. This special week will require a lot of planning, it will need to include lots of people spanning the generations of our parishes. The greater effort, the more blessed the outcome! We hope it will be a time of grace for all; for the young and old, a time of healing and renewal, a time of hope and strength in the midst of darkness and struggle. May the spirit of God be with us in this time of preparation. You are invited to an open meeting with Fr. Seamus Enright in **Ballycane Church on Thursday coming 19th February at 8pm.** The meeting will explore the content and programme of the week. We urge you to come along and to be part of what promises to be a special week for Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House. *Parish Team /Pastoral Councils.*

## PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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**PARISH WEBSITE:** [www.naasparish.ie](http://www.naasparish.ie)

**NAAS AND SALLINS PARISH OFFICE** Tel 879730 Fax 894287

**Opening Hours:** Monday to Friday 10am to 5pm

**Naas eMail** [naasparishoffice@gmail.com](mailto:naasparishoffice@gmail.com)

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**SACRISTY OUR LADY AND ST DAVID:** Tel 856925

**BALLYCANE OFFICE AND SACRISTY :** Tel 895629

**Opening Hours:** Monday to Friday 10am to 1pm

### PARISH TEAM

**FR. JOHN BRICKLEY** Parochial House 897703

**FR. LIAM MORGAN** Curates House 949576

**FR. KEVIN WALSH** Sallins 879730

**FR. PJ MADDEN** Two Mile House 876160

**DN. FERGAL O'NEILL** Parish Office 879730

**MS. MAIREAD D'ARCY** Pastoral Assistant 897134

### SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

**Naas:** Caroline Quinn **Two Mile House:** Anita Comer Julian

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

## 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:** 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

## 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

**"THOSE WHO DIE IN GRACE GO BUT TO GOD**

**AND GOD IS VERY NEAR"**

### Naas:

Collie Plant, Roseville

Tom Kenny, Newhall

Mary Kenny, Jubilee Terrace

Patricia Grace, Alymer Park

Patty Lynch, St Gabriel's Place

**MAY THEY REST IN PEACE**

### RECENT BAPTISMS

### Naas:

Caoimhe Mary-Ellen Callaghan, Oakfield Park

Kai Jack Cully, Lacken View

Lily Angela Cawe, Morell Dale

Una Nica Phelan, Patrician Avenue

Ella Mahon Kelly, Kingsfurze Avenue

Conor Jack McGrath, Gleann na Riogh Drive

Rian Tomás Ebbs, Sallins Pier

Ruby Whitefield O'Neill, Kilcullen

### Sallins:

Áine Helen Houlihan, Sallins Park

Emma Bernadette Coyne, Jigginstown Green



Conor Liam Whelan, Castlesize Close

Drew Michael Martin, Oldbridge Way

For those requesting the Sacrament of Baptism two weeks notice is required. For further details of Baptisms in Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House Parish website at [www.naasparish.ie/sacraments/baptism/](http://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.'**

**Lenten Talks: The Story of Vatican 11;** beginning tomorrow Monday night 16th February, Fr PJ Madden and Deacon Fergal O'Neill will present a series of six classes on the story of Vatican 11. Classes will be held as usual in the main foyer of Ballycane Church from 8pm until 9.15pm. Tea and coffee will be served afterwards . All welcome.

**Preparation for Easter** you are invited to pray the Lenten Reflection sessions each Tuesday morning during Lent. The sessions will take place in the Parish Meeting Rooms, Sallins Road commencing on Tuesday coming 17th February after 10am Mass and will be led by Sr Peggy Cleary.

**John Paul II Awards Congratulations** to the 30 young people of Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House who received their Pope John Paul II awards from Bishop Denis Nulty on Friday evening last. One Silver, 27 Gold and Two Papal Cross awards were made. The Parish is very proud of you for you have truly shown that in the heart of every young person lies "a generous desire to serve others". We hope that through all your efforts, you have experienced the contentment and fulfilment that comes from serving others, especially those in great need, and that now you are ready to make a deeper commitment to your faith. Well done to all. Anyone interested in joining the JP II award program this year is invited to contact Fr Kevin on 879730 or Grace Keevans at 087-9838343.

**Reflections on the Stations of the Cross** will take place during Lent on Friday evenings after 7.30pm Mass in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane commencing on Friday coming 20th February.

**Annual Divine Mercy Conference** takes place on 21st / 22nd February in the RDS, Ballsbridge. A bus will leave from Naas Post office at 8.45am approx. Contact Benadette at 087 9769771 to book a place.

**Spirit of Kandle** is a Diocesan Choir established in 2012 for young people (13 years and over). They sing spiritual and contemporary music. During the month of April they will stage three concerts around the diocese. Rehearsals begin soon. Contact Caroline Quinn at 087 7936771. This is a great opportunity to make new friends, to perform and to have some fun.

**Nás na Ríogh ICA Guild** next meeting tomorrow Monday 16th February at 8pm in Naas Community Centre, (behind McAuley Place). New members are always welcome. Contact Mary on 086 1552145 for further information.

**Fr Liam Lawton's** workshop will take place on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February in Ballycane Church, at 8.30 pm (Note time). Cost of workshop €10 which covers Book and Workshop costs.

**Mass Cards and Intentions** have changed from Veritas to the Parish Office. The Parish Office is open Saturday morning's 10am to 11am. As always we appreciate your patience and understanding which helps a lot during a time of change.

**Naas CBS and St Mary's College Fundraiser** A Celebration of Music and Song: Featuring Soprano

Celine Byrne, Tenor Patrick Hyland and the Baldonnell Singers will perform on Saturday 14th March at 8pm in the Church of Our Lady and St David. Tickets on sale from Parish Office, Barker and Jones, CBS and St Mary's College.

**St Vincent de Paul helpline number 045 897306.**

### **SALLINS PARISH NEWS**

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** on Tuesday coming 17th February from 10.30am to 11am.

**Ash Wednesday** There will be Mass at 12noon in the Church of The Guardian Angels, Sallins on Wednesday coming 18th.

**Confessions** available in Sallins Church every Thursday afternoon from 2pm -4pm.

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

**Lourdes 2015 40th Anniversary** travelling on Friday 12th June for 7 nights. Anyone intending to travel should contact Rita at 087 6535112 as seats are limited, €200 booking deposit now due, as seats are not guaranteed. 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 can contact Rita directly.

### **TWO MILE HOUSE PARISH NEWS**

**Ash Wednesday** There will be Mass at 10am in St. Peters Church on Wednesday coming 18th.

### **GENERAL NOTICES**

#### **Parish Finances**

Sallins: Baskets: € 679 Envelopes: €390  
Naas: Offertory €4,084 Development Fund €3,645  
Two Mile House: €572

#### **Sports Lottery Results**

Naas: 5/2 (1-8-23-28) No winner Jackpot €3,550  
Sallins: 9/2 (12-23-29) No Winner Jackpot €4,150  
Naas United: 9/2 (6-17-25-26) No Winner €3,000

**Stress Control** free courses to learn to control stress in Naas Community Centre commencing tomorrow Monday 16th February from 10.15am to 11.45am and continuing until 23rd March. For a free place text 'Stress' followed by 'Naas' to 51444.

**Trocaire Boxes are now available in the Church Porches. Please take one home.**

# Naas Parish Lotto Draw

**€5,250 that's the Jackpot in the Next Draw on Wednesday coming 18th February.**

**There was no winner of the Jackpot on Wednesday 11th February, numbers drawn were 16-25 -10 -17.**

The Parish would like to sincerely thank all those who worked so hard to sell tickets in these very difficult economic times and we hope people will continue to support us into the future.

There are many areas in the town where we still need ticket sellers and if you think you could even sell a couple of tickets, on a weekly basis, to your friends, family or neighbour please contact the Parish Offices on the Sallins Road, or in The Church of the Irish Martyrs Ballycane or phone 086 1635994.

Tickets cost €2 each: or an Annual Membership costing €90. You can also pay by Standing Order where €8 per month will be deducted from your bank account. For information contact either of the Parish Offices.

Tickets can also be purchased from:- Menswear, Londis, Nolans Butchers, Barker & Jones, Stationery Store, Veritas, The Soda Bread Shop, Gouldings Hardware, Swans on the Green. Supervalu.

**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** ➡  
**Your chosen numbers will be included in all weekly draws for one year.**

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**Medjugorje Annual Parish Pilgrimage** takes place this year from Wednesday 27th May for 7 nights. Cost of Pilgrimage €609, €100 deposit secures €609, after 17th February price of €659 applies. To book phone John or Catherine at 086 8563773.

**The Big C Choir** a group of cancer survivors and friends, will be in concert on Friday 24th April in The Church of Our Lady, Blessington. The Choir will resume rehearsals next week in Naas and welcome new members, especially men. We are a friendly group and there are no auditions, just come along and sing. If you are a cancer survivor or have a special interest in raising funds for cancer charities. Call Christine on 087 0547213.

**The Irish Cancer Society's** Care to Drive service is currently seeking volunteer drivers to drive local patients to and from their chemotherapy

treatments in all Dublin hospitals. We are looking for volunteers to pick patients up at their homes, drive them to the door of the hospital, pick them up again when they are finished their treatment and bring them home. The service is free to the patient and all drivers expenses are paid. Phone Gail on 01 2310 566 or email [transport@irishcancer.ie](mailto:transport@irishcancer.ie)

**Is someone's drinking affecting your life?** Al-Anon can help. Meetings every Monday night at 8.15pm in Parish Centre, Ballycane (Tuesday on Bank Holiday Weekend). Also on Wednesdays at 8.30pm in Parish Centre, Newbridge, Thursdays in Áras Bríd, Parish Centre, Kildare.

**Thought For The Week:** "I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel." —

Maya Angelou

