



NAAS SALLINS TWO MILE HOUSE NEWSLETTER



Mass Times: **Fourth Sunday of Easter (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

Where are you being called?

"Proposing vocations in the local Church" is Pope Benedict's theme for Vocations Sunday this year. The pope is anxious to remind us that the work of encouraging and promoting priestly vocations should be the concern of the whole Church, not simply those who fulfil the role of Vocations Director. In the Ireland of the past responsibility for encouraging vocations was generally fulfilled by the teaching religious; brothers and nuns. This, obviously, is no longer the case. Therefore the responsibility falls upon all our shoulders now to encourage more vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

In our diocese of Kildare & Leighlin we have seven students for the priesthood at various stages of their training. They are attending Maynooth and the Beda College in Rome. Overall there are over seventy students in Maynooth and approximately thirty studying for Irish dioceses abroad.

*Jesus has a specific task in life
For each and every one of us.
Each one of us is hand-picked,
Called by name by Jesus!
There is no one among us that
Does not have a divine vocation!
Some are called audibly by God,
But the usual kind of call is internal,
Through the inner working of the Spirit.
What is a vocation?
It is an interior call of grace,
Which falls into the soul like a seed,
To mature within it.*

Blessed John Paul II

The above is taken from a letter from Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill, Vocations Director for Kildare & Leighlin Diocese.

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PARISH OFFICE, NAAS

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Opening Hours: Mon-Fri 10am-5pm
Wed: 10am-1pm: Lunch 1-2pm

BALLYCANE OFFICE: Ph 895629

Opening Hours: Mon-Fri 10am-1pm

SALLINS OFFICE: Ph 897150

Opening Hours; Tuesday & Thursday
10am to 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

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Diocesan Website: kandle.ie

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN; PARISH DESIGNATED PERSONS:

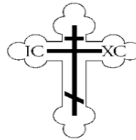
Caroline Quinn (Naas); Sheila Pyke (Sallins)
Mary Valentine (Two-Mile-House). They can be contacted
through the Parish Office, Sallins Road, Naas. Phone 045 879730.

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

Naas:

Eileen Kelly, Hazelmere

MAY SHE REST IN PEACE



**THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY WELCOMES
YOU WITH GREAT JOY!**

Naas:

Oisín Gerard T Lynch, Oldtown Demesne
Conall Edric White, Cnoc na Gréinne Court
Danann Leo Gibson, Oldtown Demesne
Louise Swan Wheatley, Sherlockstown
Michelle Ann Ledesma, St Corbans Place
Thady Joseph Ryan, Dublin Road
Pearl Courtney, Ashgrove Crescent
Max Courtney, Ashgrove Crescent

Sallins:

Oscar Joseph Fagan, Sallins Bridge
Teagan Molly Alice Doyle, Osberstown
Kyle Anthony Stallard, Osberstown

Two Mile House:

James Trevor Whyte, Blessington

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



Parish Finances:

<u>Sallins:</u>	Baskets:	€ 707
	Envelopes:	€ 335
<u>Naas:</u>	Offertory:	€4,139
	Development Fund:	€4,059
<u>Two Mile House:</u>		€ 845

Grateful thanks to all who support our collections.

GAA Lotto:

Sallins: 09/05 Jackpot €2,800: No winner:
Numbers:3-10-11: Venue 16/05: Railway Inn

Naas: 05/05 Jackpot €1,450: No winner:
Numbers:1-4-5-17 : Next weeks' Jackpot €1,600

Splotto / Ballycane Celtic: 08/05; No Winner;
Numbers: 5-6-7-26 . Jackpot 15/5 €4,400

All Masses and Services in Naas Parish can
be heard on the Radio at 107.3FM

FEAST AND MEMORIAL DAYS DURING THE COMING WEEK:

Monday 16th: St Brendan, abbot

Wednesday 18th: St John 1, pope and martyr

Friday 20th: St Bernadine of Siena, priest

Saturday 21st: Ss Christopher Megallanes, priest and Companions, martyrs.

Sallins Parish News

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction: on Friday coming, 20th May at 7.45pm.

Pilgrimage to Knock Pastoral Council is organising a trip to Knock on Sunday 19th June. More details to come.

Table Quiz: on Saturday 21st May in the Bridgewater Inn at 8.30pm in aid of C.A.R.A. Project Kenya. More details from Michael at 085 7831671 or Paddy at 086 8210569.

Sallins GAA Club: 'Old Clothes' recycling collection by Lenrec Company in Dublin takes place on Saturday 28th May. A donation of €3.50 will be made to the Sallins GAA for every 10kgs of old clothes and every old mobile phone received. Time and venue of collection to be confirmed.

Naas Parish News

ST PIO PRAYER GROUP; next meeting takes place on coming Tuesday, 17th May at 7.10pm in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. All welcome

Legion of Mary: Two members from the Naas Presidium are joining teams from all over Ireland to carry out Legion Work in England, for a week (14th-21st May or 4th-11th June). This work continues from St Patrick's week to September each year. The success of this project depends on the power of prayer, so we are depending on you!

Naas and Two Mile House Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes take place from 16th to 22nd August. Cost €760 (includes full board for 6 nights, sharing twin room). Deposit €150 per person. Priest Leader: Fr Jimmy Doyle and Fr Liam Comer. Bookings through Abbey Travel, 1b Friary Business Park, Friary Road, ph 045 897756. Each year we invite a number of sick people from the Parish to join on the pilgrimage to Lourdes. If you or a family member would like to be considered, please leave your name with one of the priests of the Parish or with Abbey Travel.

Thank You: The Naas Parish Youth Group completed their pilgrimage to Croagh Patrick, which concluded with the celebration of The Eucharist, on the summit, for the intention of all parishioners. They would like to thank everyone who supported them on this pilgrimage.

Sunday Collections;

Following my letter of the 1st May regarding the proposed renovation of Our lady and St David's Church and the suggestion that we could fund the work by adding an extra euro or two to our Sunday collections there has been an increase in the collections from the two churches in the parish.

Last weekend both collections increased to over €4,000 for the first time since the beginning of January last. Thank you for your generous response to the appeal. If we are able to keep it up and even increase it then the funding of the project should be possible over the next four years or so.

There has been good positive feedback to the idea of the extra euro or two (or more!) in the collections; it is certainly easier than trying to sell/buy €100 draw tickets.

Once again, thanks for the immediate response; I hope we will be able to keep it up.

Tom McDonnell, P.P.

First Communion Dates for Naas Parish during the month of May:

Sunday 22nd:	St Corbans	10am	Our Lady & St David
Sunday 22nd:	Convent	12noon	do
Sunday 29th:	Convent	10am and 12noon	do

Two Mile House Parish News

Renovations on St. Peter's Church have begun! This will obviously cause some inconvenience over the summer months. The main entrance to the church is closed, due to work being done on the tower. Due to health and safety regulations we will have to use the side entrances for entry into and out of the church. Further to this, entry to the graveyard will be via the *old sacristan's house site*. This will be left open so that people can visit the graves of loved ones for the duration of the site works. The 7p.m., Friday evening mass will be held in the school hall. We apologise for any inconvenience caused, but come September, it will be well worth it!

Important dates for your diary;

Cemetery Mass this year will take place on *Sunday, 12th of June* at 11am in St. Peter's Cemetery.

The "Mass at the Bush" in Cowley's field will be held on *Sunday, 19th June*, at 11a.m. Pray for fine weather!

Wedding Ring Found; A gents wedding ring was found outside the church in Two Mile House last weekend, 7/8th May. It was the weekend of First Holy Communions, so there were a lot of visitors around. If anyone wishes to get more information, please contact Fr. Paul on 045 876160.

General Notices

Revised Roman Missal; Later in the year a revised version of the Roman Missal will be introduced into Ireland. In this we will see some changes to our responses at Mass. Further to this the Eucharistic Congress will take place next year, 2012. In preparation for these, a meeting will be held in the *Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane, this coming Tuesday, 17th May at 8.15pm*. Julie Kavanagh of the Faith Development Services Office in our diocese will facilitate the meeting. All are welcome to come along and find out more about the changes that are being introduced.

'Kare' will be holding a Charity Race evening at the Curragh Race Course on Friday 3rd June. Tickets €15 and €10 of every ticket sold in advance goes to Kare. For tickets ph Ken Kavanagh @ 448700 or go to www.kare.ie

Nás na Rí Singers Summer Concert supporting the Samaritans is being held in The Pavilion, Punchestown Event Centre on Saturday 21st May at 8pm. The theme of the concert is *Music of the Movies*. Tickets from choir members, Barker & Jones, Naas Credit Union and O'Reilly's Pharmacy. For more details phone 087 4095248.

Down Syndrome Ireland (Kildare Branch) are organising 'An Evening of Music and Song' on 3rd June in the Beech Suite of the Maudlins House Hotel, Naas at 8pm. The concert includes us, (Dara Ensemble - quartet) and special guests including tenor Ciaran O'Leary. For more details/tickets phone Helen at 087 6639702.

Naas Local History Group. "Canal Memories Walk" on Thursday 19th May. Meet Canal Harbour at 7.30pm.

Naas Special Olympics Club We invite you to come join our club even if you are not from the Naas area. Naas Special Olympics Club was established in 2008. We are a sports club for people with intellectual disabilities. Besides the physical benefits of sport Naas Special Olympics Club can change lives as athletes can develop both physically and emotionally. Athletes make new friends and the club enables athletes to achieve and win not only in sport but in their lives too. Naas Special Olympics Club has a lot to offer. No membership required to be a member only an enjoyment of getting together with friends, athletes and volunteers. Our club promotes all generations to participate as we cater for separate age groups, a junior and a senior group. We meet every Monday evening at Scoil Bhríde, Oldtown, Sallins Road, Naas at 6pm for two hours, the first hour is given to the junior group and the second hour to the senior group. We participate in basketball and athletics. Should you wish to join our club or become a volunteer please do not hesitate to contact Jacinta O'Sullivan, Secretary on 087 2229695 or via email jacintasp@gmail.com. Volunteering please contact Sheila at 086 1099311.

Celebrating Bealtaine 2011 at Riverbank Arts Centre – from Tues 17th to Fri 20th May. There will be an array of free events, aimed specifically at those over 60, to celebrate creativity in older age, during the festival.