Parish Summer Mewsletter:

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) Matthew: 13: 1-23 Priest on Duty: 085 7088407. Parish Office: 045 879730.

Parish Website: www.naasparish.ie ;; email naasparishoffice@gmail.com

Sunday 16th July 2017.



Trócaire Special Appeal



On Sunday 9th July Archbishop Eamon Martin officially announced that an emergency Church Appeal will take place on the weekend of 22nd and 23rd July, that will be directed towards Trócaire's work in Eastern Africa. Trócaire is currently responding to prolonged drought which

has led to severe shortages across East Africa. Approximately 25 million people are in need of emergency assistance. Their response in South Sudan, Kenya and Ethiopia focuses on food and water while in Somalia they are also running health clinics, treating people from malnutrition, cholera and other health issues. Currently Trócaire, on behalf of the faithful of Ireland, are reaching out to approximately 150,000 people.

If you can afford to put something extra into the Offertory Collection (2ndCollection) next Saturday or Sunday we will forward your contribution to Trócaire. Alternatively you can leave your contribution into the Parish Office, Sallins Road. "Once again we thank you wholeheartedly for your valued support".

As well as those affected by the emergency appeal, we are asked to keep the staff and partners of Tócaire on the front line responding to this humanitarian crises in your prayers at this time. Their selflessness and courage in reaching out to those in need on behalf of the Irish Church gives us all great hope in the midst of what can often seem an insurmountable and overwhelming task.

"When did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?"

(MT 25:37)

PRAYER:

Lord, when I am hungry, give me someone in need of food; when I am thirsty, send me someone needing a drink; when I am cold, send me someone to warm; when I am grieved, offer me someone to console; when my cross grows heavy, let me share another's cross; when I think only of myself, draw my thoughts to another.

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

Naas:

Arthur O'Connor, Oakglynn, Craddockstown Martin O'Rourke, Fishery Lane. Nuala McHale, Craddockstown Nursing Home, formerly Monread Heights.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

FEAST AND MEMORIAL DAYS FOR COMING WEEK: Saturday 22nd July: Feast of Mary Magdalene.

Cemetery Mass at St. Corbans Cemetery will take place on Wednesday 16th August at 7.30pm. There will be No evening Mass in Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane, on this evening. Please Do Not leave your bag or personal belongings visible in your car while visiting the Cemetery.

RECENT BAPTISMS:

Naas:

Ellie Rose Byrne, Kerdiff Avenue
Emma Reid, Old Bridge Station
Tommy Lee Whitehouse, Oakfield Park
Moya Margaret Hand, Oldtown Green
Sebastian David Rave, Monread Heights
Catharina Zhe Rui, Kilcullen
Sophin Rui, Kilcullen

Two Mile House:

Tomás Eamon Enright, Pipers Hill

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

St Pio Prayer Group next meeting on Wednesday coming 19th July at 7.10pm at the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. All most welcome.

Our Lady's Island Annual Pilgrimage takes place next Sunday 23rd July. Bus €20, departing from the Church of Our Lady and St David, Sallins Road at 11.15am. Some seats still available. Bookings ph Peggy at 879526, Maureen at 087 2077044, John at 086 8563773. St. Josephs Young Priests Society.

Recruiting Altar Servers: We are currently recruiting new members to join us in serving at the altar in the Church of Our Lady and St. David, Sallins Road. A new programme of formation and training will begin in September for boys and girls from 3rd class and upwards who would like to join this team. If your child is interested in joining our dedicated team of Altar Servers, we would ask you to visit our new site, www.naasaltarservers.weebly.com, download and fill out the application forms and return them to the Parish Office, Sallins Road at your earliest convenience. For further details, contact Deacon Fergal on 086-3816133.

Naas Active Retirement Association Members only meeting on Wednesday coming 19th July at 2pm in Naas Community Centre.

Meeting St. Garbriel's Place Residence Association meeting takes place on Wednesday coming 19th July at 8pm in the Town House Hotel.

Naas Flower and Garden Club Coffee Evening takes place on Thursday coming 20th July from 7.45pm to 9.45pm in Naas Care of the Aged Centre, Newbridge Road. There will also be a Floral Demonstration and Talk by Christine Hughes. 'Raffle and Fun Quiz' supporting St. Brigid's Hospice. Guests are very welcome. Admission €5.

Kildare and Wicklow Education and Training Board are now recruiting for an Employment Skills Course, starting on Monday 31st July at Jigginstown, Naas. To register contact Cathal at 045 895450 or with Obáir at 045 435666.

SALLINS PARISH NEWS

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament suspended for the Summer Months.

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

TWO MILE HOUSE

Weekday Mass There will be <u>No</u> weekday morning Mass at 9.15am from Monday 17th to Thursday 20th July inclusive, resume as normal on Monday 24th.

Urgent: Can You Help? A mother and her two children (both attending school in Naas) are currently homeless. We appeal to the Christian Community of Naas, if you have a house, apartment/bedsit available for Renting, to please contact Peter at 085 1113388 immediately.

GENERAL NOTICE

Naas Parish Lotto:

€5,500 that's the <u>Jackpot</u> on Wednesday 19thJuly. There was no winner of the Jackpot last week. The numbers drawn were 28-18-23-24 You can join the Parish Lotto at anytime, tickets €2 per week available from the Parish Offices, Veritas and other outlets in the town.

Naas Parish Bingo continues on Tuesday nights at 8.30pm sharp in the Care of the Aged Centre, Newbridge Road. All welcome.

Parish Lotto Tickets also on sale on Tuesday night at Bingo.

Sports Lottery Results:

Naas: 6/7 (5-11-14-21) No winner, Jackpot €2,950 Sallins: 10/7 (5-27-38) No winner, Jackpot €5,650

Finance:

Naas: Development: €3,720 Offertory: € 3,230 Sallins: Envelopes: €480 Baskets: €606

Two Mile House: €415

The Gerard Manley Hopkins Festival opens on Friday coming 21st July at 7.30pm in Newbridge College. Concert on Saturday evening 22nd at 8pm. More information in News and Views; from gerardmanleyhopkins.org

Kildare Branch Alzheimer's Society of Ireland 17th annual sponsored 5k walk takes place on Sunday next 23rd July starting at 11am at the Travellers Rest, Roberstown.

Youth 2000 Summer Festival taking place at the Cistercian College, Roscrea from 17th to 20th August. Young people aged 16 to 35 are welcome. This a donation only festival where young people will be treated with inspiring talks, prayer, reconciliation, workshops and lots more. A great opportunity to meet new friends. Free buses will be organised by Youth 2000. You can book online and find out more information at office@youth2000.ie or phone 01 6753690.

Thought for the Week:



Lord help us to seek the things that make us rich in your sight.