

Parish Newsletter

Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
16th November 2014

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*Life is changed
not ended*

A Christian community is easily recognised by how it respects and cares for its poor and marginalised members. We are commissioned, by faith in Christ's redeeming love, to work for a society of justice, truth, love and peace.

In a few weeks we will celebrate the feast of the birth of the Prince of Peace, he who later defined himself as *"The Way, The Truth, and*

"Well Done, Good and Faithful Servant"

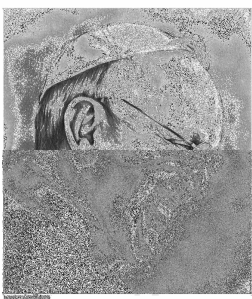
Today's Gospel, as we approach the end of the Church's year, reminds us that each of us has been given a unique set of talents to be used for the glory of God.

In using our talents for good we actually share in God's creating love and leave this world a little more beautiful than we found it. The ultimate goal of Christians is to achieve a world which is a global village in which all share the benefits of creation and nature. Because we all have different talents we need to work together to build communities where sharing and caring are the norm, not the exception!

the Life". Through the gift and grace of Baptism we are all called to reflect that life and light in our lives.

This week might be a good time to reflect on your talents and how you are using them to advance your family and community to be more inclusive, caring and prayerful. In the name of Jesus renew your Baptismal promise to make it a better, Christian world!

And, as St Paul reminds us, always be thankful that you are so unique and talented and called to make your personal contribution to God's creation!



Pope Francis has approved a decree acknowledging the heroic virtues of Fr. John Sullivan SJ, meaning that Fr. Sullivan's life and virtues are worthy of imitation by the faithful.

From this point, he is known as Venerable John Sullivan. Fr. Sullivan lived a holy life of prayer, humility, service. He was born into considerable wealth and privilege, and after some years of travel and study became a barrister. His father was the Lord Chancellor of Ireland, and he was brought up an Anglican,

although his mother was a Catholic. He converted to Catholicism at the age of 35 and entered the Jesuits four years later. He was ordained on July 28, 1907.

Fr. Sullivan spent most of his life in Clongowes Wood College in Clane. He was known for his gentle kindness towards the students there. He lived an ascetic life, eating very little.

The news that Fr. John Sullivan has been declared Venerable is great news for the Church in Ireland, and we the faithful are asked to keep in our prayers the intention that his beatification will follow soon.

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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PARISH WEBSITE: www.naasparish.ie

NAAS AND SALLINS PARISH OFFICE Tel 879730 Fax 894287

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Naas email 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

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND ST. DAVID

Sat Vigil 6pm Sun 9am 11am and 6pm

CHURCH OF THE IRISH MARTYRS, BALLYCANE

Sat Vigil 7:30pm Sun 10:30am 12noon

CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND THE GUARDIAN ANGELS, SALLINS

Sat Vigil 6:30pm Sun 10am 12noon

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, TWO MILE HOUSE

SUN 11am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND ST. DAVID

Mon-Fri 7:30am 10am Sat 10am

CHURCH OF THE IRISH MARTYRS, BALLYCANE

Mon, Wed and Fri 7:30pm

CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND THE GUARDIAN ANGELS, SALLINS

Tues and Fri 10am

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, TWO MILE HOUSE

Friday 7pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

OUR LADY AND ST DAVID Saturday after the 10am Mass

FEASTS / MEMORIALS FOR COMING WEEK

Monday 17th: St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious

Friday 21st: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday 22nd: St Cecilia, virgin and martyr

RECENT BAPTISMS

Naas:

Olivia Ciara O'Reilly, St Corbans Place

Sadie Rose Kelly, Dún na Ríogh Green

Jack Thomas Cregg, Cluain Aoibhinn

Finn Christopher Cullen, Thomastown

Caolán Hamidouche, Caragh Meadows

Oran Rory Nicholson, Thornbrook

Hugo Arkadiusz Lazat, Newbridge



Two Mile House:

Layla Pauline McDonnell, Queensland, Australia

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/

Advent Nights for Young Adults aged 18-30years.

Adoration - Reflection, Quiet -Music taking place on Friday 28th November; Friday 5th December and Friday 12th December in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. Begins at 8pm, followed by Tea/Coffee. Hope you can join us!

THOSE WHO DIE IN GRACE GO BUT TO GOD

AND GOD IS VERY NEAR"

Christy Doyle, St Ita's Place, Naas

Sandra O'Brien, Castlefen, Sallins

May they rest in peace



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.'

November Masses for the Dead; If you wish to have your loved ones included on the Altar Dead List of the Parish please include their names in the purple envelope provided in your envelope box.

The History of the Catholic Church 4th Session of the series will be held on Monday coming, 17th November in the main foyer of Ballycane Church at 8pm. The session will run from 8pm to 9.30pm and will include scripture, prayer and time for questions / discussion. A cup of tea / coffee will be served afterwards. All are most welcome!

Projector at Naas Parish Church: During recent renovations at Naas Parish Church a projector

system was installed. We now hope to project the words of Hymns and Prayers at the Saturday 6pm, Sunday 9am and 11am Masses. If you attend any of these Masses and are comfortable with technology, would you be willing to be part of a team to operate the system? A simple understanding of a lap-top and remote control is all that is needed. Training will be given. If you are willing to help with this task or have any queries please text your name to Trevor 087 195 3577 or Ber 087 235 2545

Saint Pio Prayer Group next meeting on Wednesday coming 19th November at 7.10pm in the Church of The Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. All welcome.

Bishop Denis Nulty will celebrate Mass on Saturday 22nd at 7.30pm (Vigil) Mass in the Irish Martyrs, Sunday 23rd at 9am in Our Lady and St David and 11am in St Peters, Two Mile House.

Flower Arranging and Decoration for the Church of Our Lady and St David. Would you like to get involved and assist with the decoration of your Church? You are invited to submit your name and mobile number to the Parish Office, Sallins Road.

Advent Preparation for Christmas You are invited to pray and study the Advent Sunday Readings each Tuesday commencing on Tuesday 25th November in the Parish Meeting Rooms, Sallins Rd, (behind Veritas shop) after 10am Mass. Sr Peggy Cleary will lead the sessions. All are most welcome.

Indoor Hurling for boys of all ages. Registration today Sunday 16th at Naas G.A.A from 1pm to 6pm. For more details phone John at 087 2563480.

Nás na Ríogh ICA Guild next meeting on Monday 17th November at 8pm in Naas Community Centre New members always welcome. Ph: 086 1552145

Naas Community Games needs more volunteers to assist in the development of the games in the area. To this end we are holding an open meeting on Wednesday coming 19th Nov at 8pm in the Town House Hotel to recruit more volunteers.

Naas Tidy Towns AGM will take place in the Town House Hotel on Thursday coming 20th November at 8pm. If you are interested in getting involved with the work of Naas Tidy Towns please come along.

Songs of Praise Concert presented by Ballycane Church Choir at Church of the Irish Martyrs Ballycane, on Sunday 30th November from 6.30pm to 8pm. The evening will consist of Hymns we love to sing at liturgies throughout the year. All welcome to come and enjoy the songs and hymns of praise. Admission is free.

Mercy Convent Primary School Enrolment Forms for junior infants for 2015/2016 are now available from the school secretary. Forms to be returned to the Principal, on or before Friday 9th January 2015.

Cancer Survivors and Friends; The 'BIG C' Choir will sing at 6pm Mass in Our Lady and St David's Church, Naas on Saturday coming, 22nd November. The Choir will hold its 4th Fundraising Concert in Blessington Church on Friday, 24th April 2015.

St Vincent de Paul Society Naas helpline phone number 045 897306

SALLINS PARISH NEWS

November Masses for the Dead: If you wish to have your loved ones included on the Altar Dead List of the Parish please include their names in in the purple envelope provided in your envelope box.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Tuesday coming, 18th November, from 10.30am -11am.

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

Parish Pastoral Council next meeting on Wednesday coming 19th Nov at 8pm in the Community Centre.

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

Mini Christmas Bazaar and Cake Sale in aid of Friends of Calcutta will take place on Sunday 30th November in the Parish Community Centre after the 10am and 12noon Masses. Friends of Calcutta is a voluntary registered charity. Fr. Kevin is planning to travel to Calcutta in January. ***'This is an ideal chance to get your Christmas Gifts early'!***

GENERAL NOTICES

Parish Finances

Sallins: Baskets: €683 Envelopes: €450

Naas: Offertory: €3,340 Development Fund: €2,989

Two Mile House: €1,106

Sports Lottery Results

Naas 6/11 (15-16-17-23) No Winner Jackpot €1,750

Sallins No Results

Naas United FC 10/11 (9-21-27-29) No Winner; €3,000

Splotto: Ballycane Celtic: No Results.

Trócaire One year ago collections were held in churches across Ireland in response to humanitarian emergencies in Syria and the Philippines. These collections raised €5.1m which has supported Trócaire's response in both regions. Trócaire wishes to pass on their sincere thanks to the people of the Parish for their generosity.

Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw

€2,500 that's the Jackpot in Naas Parish Lotto on Wednesday coming, 19th November. Have you got your ticket? There was No Winner of the Jackpot on Wednesday last, 12th November. Numbers drawn were: **21-11-13-8**.

The Second Year of Our Lotto Commences on Wednesday, 3rd December.

After a very successful year our Parish Lotto continues into 2015 commencing on Wed, 3rd December 2014. To date we have had a small but very dedicated team of Ticket Sellers and there are still many areas of the town which we have not covered. If you could possibly sell a few tickets to your family, your neighbours or in your work place we would love to hear from you. Tickets cost €2 each. You can also join by completing a Standing Order Form for €8 per month, or pay a Yearly Subscription of €90.

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 at 879730; Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane at 895629; The Draw Secretary at 086 1635994. ***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 below . Your chosen numbers will be included in all weekly draws for one year.

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Our Lady and St David's Church, Naas

Restoration Fund Concert

Christmas with Celine Byrne & Guests

Featuring: Celine Byrne - Soprano, Norah King - Mezzo Soprano,
Ailbhe McDonagh - Cello, Lynda O'Connor - Violin, Dearbhla Brosnan - Piano, Nás na Rí Singers,
Aine Mulvey, Musical Director and Annalisa Monticelli - Accompanist.

on Saturday, 20th December 2014 at 8pm
in Our Lady and St David's Church, Sallins Road, Naas

Newsletter Deadline Change: With immediate effect the deadline for submitting notices for the Parish Newsletter is Wednesday 12noon.

St. Anne's Special School are holding their annual Craft Fair on Thursday coming 20th November from 4 pm to 6.30pm in Hotel Keadeen, Newbridge. Nevin Maguire Cookery demonstration will take place at 8pm, this is an all ticket event and tickets can be purchased from the school at 045 441494 or phone Lorraine on 0879079194.

Family Advent Retreat will take place on Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd November in St John's Rest and Care Centre, Knock Shrine, Co Mayo, led by Fr. Edgardo Arellano. For further information phone

Marian at 086 3564365 or Attracta at 087 9808309.

St Vincent De Paul, Kerdiffstown House Holiday Centre beside Johnstown Garden Centre, are holding a Christmas Fair on Sunday 23rd November from 12noon to 5pm. **SANTA** will be present for photos and presents. Parking on site. Entry is free

Found: Set of Keys found in the Paddocks last week. Phone Kathleen 866480.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK



Before you quit, try. Before you talk, listen.
Before you react, think.
Before you criticize, wait.
Before you move on, forgive.