



NAAS SALLINS TWO MILE HOUSE NEWSLETTER



Mass Times: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) Gospel: Mark 2; 1-12

<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

Who is this Jesus I believe in?

“Who is this Jesus?”

This question posed by the Gospel was first put to us at Christmas and remains with us until Pentecost. St Mark repeatedly presents the question and as we enter Lent and journey to Christ's passion and death the question will become ever more insistent. The answers given by those around Jesus are disturbing. They accuse him of blasphemy. They accuse him of overthrowing their traditional religious laws and practices. The people of his own hometown and even members of his family claim that he has gone mad. Some claim he is possessed by a devil. Others, on the other hand, left everything and became His followers. It seems that few were neutral towards him. The debate rages on, even to today. In our culture Jesus is dismissed by many and God is put on trial. Given the condition of our world, some people ask how could there be a God? In fact we are surrounded by attitudes that question all of our basic institutions, our government, our Church, our educational institutions, our banks and even the basic element of our society -- the idea of family. Little is left unquestioned... even God. This can be unsettling.

As we begin our Lenten journey on Wednesday, we enter a period where we can settle down a bit and enter a time of reflection. As we are signed with ashes the words spoken by the minister are; “*Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel.*” This sums up the whole journey of Lent. It's a time we can stay with the question that is central to all Christians;

“Who is this Jesus I believe in?”

May our hearts be open to what the Lord might reveal to us as we journey through Lent, pondering his Word and gathering around his Eucharistic table...

Naas-Sallins-Two Mile House-Parish Team

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Priest on Duty:

Fr Bogdan Wawrzaszek; Ph 879792

PARISH OFFICE, NAAS

(Sallins Road): Ph 879730; Fax 894287
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

Naas Parish Email: naasparishoffice@gmail.com

Sallins Parish Email: sallinsparishoffice@gmail.com

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.

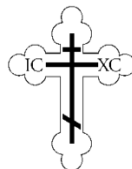
**“THOSE WHO DIE IN GRACE GO BUT TO GOD
AND GOD IS VERY NEAR”**

Naas:

Pakie Lawlor, Lakelands

Lez Lyons, formerly of Lakelands

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



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

Naas:

Fionn Oisin Doyle, Radharc an Chaisláin

Nora Catherine Kennedy, Kilcullen

Jason Anthony Morris, Mountain View

Marie Niamh Healy, Jigginstown Park

Alannah Henrietta O'Connor, Pacelli Rd

Stefan Mikhailova Kavanagh, Caragh Gr

Freddie Patrick Donohue, Kingscourt

Coby McLoughlin Murphy, Hazelmere

Niall Joseph O'Connell, Oldtown Demesne

Eimear Mary Rose O'Connell, Oldtown Demesne

Aisling Christine Brewer, The Waters Edge

Two Mile House:

Daniel Paul Murphy, Two Mile House

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

For those requesting the Sacrament of Baptism two
weeks notice is required. For further details of
Baptisms in Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House see
Parish website: www.naasparish.ie



GAA Lotto:

Sallins: 13/02 Jackpot €4,900: Numbers 7-10-33; No
winner; Venue 20/02 The Mill; Jackpot €5,050

Naas 09/02 Jackpot €1,000: Numbers 10-18-20-22:
Two winners: Next weeks' Jackpot €1,150.

Splotto/Ballycane Celtic: 12/02 Numbers 1-14-16-
26; No Winner: Jackpot 19/02 €6,000

Naas United FC: 12/02 Jackpot €1,400; Numbers 7-
8-21-22; No winner Jackpot 19/02 €1,500

Parish Finances:

<u>Sallins:</u>	Baskets:	€ 751
	Envelopes:	€ 345
<u>Naas:</u>	Offertory:	€3,853
	Development Fund:	€3,971
<u>Two Mile House:</u>		€ 646

Grateful thanks to all who support our collections

FEAST AND MEMORIAL DAYS DURING THE COMING WEEK:

Wednesday 22nd: Ash Wednesday.....Day of Fast and Abstinence

Sallins Parish News

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction on Friday 24th February at 7.30pm.

Confirmation: Meeting for Parents and Children in our Church at 7.30pm on Tuesday coming, 21st.

Ash Wednesday: The children in Sallins school will receive their ashes in the school on Wednesday.

First Penance takes place on Thursday coming, 23rd February at 7.30pm in the Church for the boys and girls who will be receiving their first Holy Communion in May.

Ceremony of Light takes place on Wednesday, February 29th February at 7.30pm in the Church.

The Tuesday Club takes place on Tuesday coming, 21st February from 2pm-4pm in the Community Centre.

Lourdes 37th Annual Pilgrimage from 26th June to 3rd July 2012..... 7 nights, full board in the Hotel Paradise. Cost €759. For bookings phone Rita Fanning at 045 861070. Payments may be made to Rita after the 12noon Mass on Sundays.

Parish Envelopes Collection: The new 'collection envelope' boxes for the coming year are now available for collection in the church. The boxes are in alphabetical order. If you wish to become a contributor please take a box of envelopes from the 'new contributor' box. A sincere *Thank You* to all who contribute to our collections.

Sallins Conference of Saint Vincent De Paul may be contacted at 085 7052294.

Naas Parish News

Preparation for Easter You are invited to pray and study the Lenten Sunday readings each Tuesday morning commencing on Tuesday coming, 21st February after the 10am Mass in the Parish Meeting Rooms, Sallins Road, Naas. Sr Peggy Cleary will lead the sessions.

Annual Pioneer Mass

will be celebrated in the Church of Our Lady and Saint David, Sallins Road at 10am on Tuesday coming, 21st February.

Adoration Time Changes

at the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane:

Monday 27th: 3pm to 9pm

Tuesday 28th: 3pm to 9pm

Wednesday 29th: 3pm to 7pm

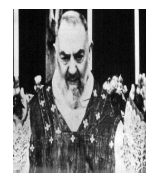
Saint Pio Prayer Group

Next Meeting Tuesday coming 21st January

at 7.10pm in the Church of the Irish

Martyrs, Ballycane.

All welcome.



Naas Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje takes place from 27th April 2012 (8 nights on half board basis) departing from Dublin. €50 deposit secures price at €599. After 17th February price €649. Bookings at the Parish Office, Sallins Rd @ 879730 or ph Catherine at 866233 or John 086 8563773.

Naas and Two Mile House Pilgrimage to Lourdes: From 28th August for 5 nights at Hotel Jeanne D'Arc. Cost €755 includes full board sharing twin room, coach Naas to Dublin Airport & return, religious programme. Bookings: Abbey Travel, 1b Friary Business Park, Friary Rd, Naas. Ph 897756

Naas, Sallins and Two Mile Pilgrimage to the Holy Land from Tuesday 16th October to Wednesday 24th October. Cost €1,440 includes full board hotel accommodation, direct flight including bus to and from airport. For bookings phone Mary Lee at Newbridge Travel at 045 449522.

Diabetes Federation of Ireland. AGM and Information Meeting in The Boardroom, Naas Hospital, Naas, on Thursday 23rd February at 7.30pm. Speakers -Patricia White (Clinical Psychologist) & Sinead Fitzpatrick (Dietician). All Welcome.

St Vincent de Paul Society Naas helpline phone number 045 897306.

Naas Continued:

Naas Active Retirement Assoc next meeting Wednesday 22nd February at 2pm in the Naas Community Centre, Sallins Road.

Naas Flower and Garden Club next meeting on Thursday coming, 23rd February at 7.45pm in the Care of the Aged Centre. Visitors welcome.

Naas Toastmasters meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month in the Town House Hotel Naas at 8.15pm. Next meeting Wednesday coming, 22nd February. Visitors welcome.

St David's Bridge Club wish to thank all those who supported their recent charity night and those who donated bridge and raffle prizes which raised €1,000 for Naas St. Vincent de Paul.

Two Mile House Parish News

Liturgy Group Meeting takes place in Fr. Paul's on Tuesday at 8.15pm.

Ash Wednesday: We begin our journey of Lent on Wednesday coming with Mass at 9.30am in St. Peter's. During Lent after the 7pm Mass on Fridays we will have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Rosary. All are welcome to come along.

Faith Friends; This programme of preparation for Confirmation finished recently. Many thanks to all the young leaders who gave of their time to accompany the Confirmation candidates. It is a very hopeful sign to see all these young people from our parish sharing their gifts and talents so generously.

General Notices

Kildare and Leighlin Diocesan Gathering – *“A Place at the Table” 9th and 10th of March, Carlow.*

On the 9th and 10th March our Diocese will be holding a major event in conjunction with the National Eucharistic Congress to be held in June of this year. The event, to be held in Carlow (The Cathedral and Carlow College), and is entitled *“A Place at the Table.”* The keynote speakers will be Baroness Nuala O’Loan, Fr Peter McVerry and Fr Michael Drumm. Further to this there will be a vast amount of workshops that people can attend during the event. More information is available on www.kandle.ie and *application forms are available* in the churches for those who wish to book a place at the event. We ask people to fill out the form and drop it into the **Parish Office Sallins Road**, as soon as possible. The event is free of charge and the parishes of Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House will sponsor a bus for those going to the event on Saturday, 10th March.

Youth Congress Young people aged 16-25yrs are invited to take part in the Diocesan Youth Congress being held in St Leo's College, Carlow on Saturday 10th March from 9.30am to 7pm. The Congress Day will include a variety of music, workshops, talks, drama, prayer and much more...If you are interested check us out on Facebook at KildareLeighlin YouthCongress or at www.kandle.ie Brochures are available from the parish and on the website and online booking is available at www.kandle.ie/congress Booking is essential and everyone is welcome.

Kildare Down Syndrome would like to announce that we will be once again hosting our Night at the Dogs on Saturday 25th February. The theme of the event is ‘good value, family friendly night to raise much needed funds for the Kildare Branch of Down Syndrome Ireland’. If you would like to support the event through purchasing a ticket, please ph 487584. Only Proceeds from tickets bought in advance will go towards Kildare Down Syndrome.

Are you interested in helping young people to reach their full potential? If so, we'd like to hear from you. County Kildare Leader Partnership in conjunction the School Completion Programme and other interagency partners are looking for Volunteer Mentors to support secondary students at risk of early school leaving and Volunteers to deliver the IGNITE Programme (IGNITE is a 7 module in school Personal Development Programme currently been delivered in DEIS Secondary Schools in the following areas:Kildare Town, Naas, Newbridge, Monastervein, Prosperous Curragh, Rathangan, Athy. For further information please email Noreen@countykildarelp.ie or phone Noreen at 0833796852. Closing date for application is 8th March. All applicants will be interviewed, trained and Garda vetted. Training will take place during April / May and the programmes are due to start in September 2012.

Are you between 35 and 45? Would you like to meet other Catholics of your age from parishes in the Dublin Diocese for social and spiritual events? If so you are invited to a New Members Meeting in the Trinity Capital Hotel, Pease St., Dublin at 8.30pm on Friday 2nd March For more details phone Declan at 087 7608268 or Linda at 085 7541696 or email: dublin40somethings@gmail.com