

Parish Newsletter



**Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time
1st November 2015**

No 1519

Mark: 12: 28-34

*Life is changed
not ended*

November Days!

The Church has encouraged prayer for the dead from the earliest times as an act of Christian charity. "If we had no care for the dead," Augustine noted, "we would not need to be in the habit of praying for them." Yet pre-Christian rites for the deceased kept such a strong hold on the superstitious imagination that a liturgical commemoration was not observed until the early Middle Ages, when the monastic communities began to mark an annual day for the departed members.

In the middle of the eleventh century, St. Odilo, Abbot of Cluny, decreed that all Cluniac Monasteries offer special prayers and sing the Office for the Dead on November 2nd, the day after the Feast of All Saints. The custom spread from Cluny and was finally adopted throughout the Roman Church. The theological underpinning of this feast is the acknowledgment of human frailty. Mindful that very few people achieve anything near perfection in this life, we pray for that, mercy, forgiveness and grace that only comes from God. A kind of spiritual preparation seems necessary before the soul comes face-to-face with God.

This is a time of year when it's easy to think about death, about those who have died. Over these November days many make a pilgrimage to a grave. The cemetery, carpeted in the fallen leaves of autumn, reminds us of the flimsy hold we have on life. Walking through the headstones brings back also, the memory of men and women who walked the pilgrim path of life with us and shaped us by their love, their courage, and their endless understanding.

Lord, we miss them a lot, though we know that they are at peace. Sustain in your care those who have died, and comfort us in the knowledge that one day we shall meet them, and you, face to face. Lord, this All Souls day, reward the dead for the living they left us and for all the beautiful memories.



Thought For The Week:

*Peace does not mean to be in the place where there is no noise, trouble or hard work.
Peace means to be in the midst of all those things and still be calm in your heart.*

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 1pm

PARISH TEAM

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FR. LIAM MORGAN Curates House 949576

FR. JOE O'NEILL Sundays well 898866

FR. KEVIN WALSH Sallins 879730

DN. FERGAL O'NEILL Parish Deacon 086 3816133

Ms. MAIREAD D'ARCY Pastoral Assistant 897134

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

Naas: Andrew Fagan and Geraldine Faherty

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

FEAST AND MEMORIAL DAYS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

Sunday 1st November: All Souls.

Monday 2nd November: The Commemoration of all the faithful departed.

Tuesday 3rd November: St Malachy, bishop.

Wednesday 4th November: St Charles Borromeo.

Friday 5th November: All Saints of Ireland.

THOSE WHO DIE IN GRACE GO BUT TO GOD

AND GOD IS VERY NEAR"

Naas: Patricia Hayes, Roselawn

MAY SHE REST IN PEACE



RECENT BAPTISMS

Naas:

Kayley Farrell, Caragh Road

Raphael John Kehoe, Ban na Greinne Kehoe

Jack Henry Gannon, Rathdrum

Noah Jordan Collins, Caragh Court

Eimear Niamh Collins, Rathasker Road

Annabelle Cullen, Oldbridge Station

Rachel Bridget Cullen, Athy

Alex Cunningham, Roseberry



Two Mile House

Isla Grace Cox, Baroda Stud

Sarah Catherine McGovern, Cobally

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

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.'*

Winter Closing Time for safety and security reasons during the winter it is necessary to close the Church of Our Lady and St David at **5pm** with effect from Monday coming 2nd November

First Friday 6th November:

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church of Our Lady and St David, Sallins Road, after the 10am Mass until **5pm**.

Sacrament of Reconciliation in Church of Our Lady and St David on Thursday after 10am Mass and on Friday from 9.30am to 10am and after 10am Mass.

A Reminder that the Annual Cemetery Walking Pilgrimage takes place to-day, 1st November at 1.30pm assembling at the Famine Graveyard.

Marian Movement Cencale meets every month in the Church of Our Lady and St David. Next meeting is on Saturday coming 7th November at 10.20am.

Parish Office is now open on Saturday's from **10am to 1pm** to facilitate with Mass Cards, only.

Naas Local History Group presents an illustrated Winters Tale by Brian McCabe on, 'The Irish at Waterloo' tomorrow Monday 2nd at 8pm in Town House Hotel. All welcome.

Naas Active Retirement Assoc Members only meeting on Wednesday coming 4th November at 2pm in Naas Community Centre.

Junior Infant Enrolment for 2016/2017 Enrolment Forms for the Mercy Convent Primary school are now available from the school secretary. Birth Certificate and verification of address, e.g.(utility bill) must accompany all enrolment forms and returned to the school Principal. Closing date for receipt of completed forms is **Friday 8th January 2016**.

Booking Anniversary Masses; In order to make sure names are included for Anniversary Masses we kindly ask that people would contact the Parish Office Sallins Road or the Ballycane Office at their earliest convenience (at least a week in advance). The Anniversary Mass list is completed on Friday for the following week's Masses.

Vincent de Paul helpline number 045 897306.

SALLINS NOTICE

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday coming 2nd November from 10.30am—11am.

Confessions available in Sallins every Thursday from 2pm to 4pm.

Sallins Community Games AGM tomorrow Monday 2nd November at 8.30pm in the Parish Community Centre. All are welcome.

Reminder to Parishioners who have received Tax Relief Forms for Donations, to please return them to Moira or to the Parish office, if you have not already done so, and thank you if you already have.

TWO MILE HOUSE

St. Peter's Church, Two Mile House are seeking

applications from young parishioners over 16 years of age who wish to become Eucharistic Ministers and/or Readers in our parish. (Parental consent is required). If you are interested, please contact the Sacristan, Patricia Daly or Bill Gibson 045 897160 or Gerard Gallagher 045 895901 with your details.

GENERAL NOTICE

Parish Finances:

Sallins: Baskets: €735 Envelopes €310
Naas: Offertory: €3,642 Development €3,902
Two Mile House: €630

Sports Lottery Results

Naas: 22/10 (5-11-12-25) No winner, Jackpot €4,600
Sallins: 27/10 (20-24-30) No winner, Jackpot €1,300
NaasUnited: 28/10 (2-3-12-32) No winner, Jackpot €3,000

Kildare Leader Partnership will be delivering a Free Personal Development Course for the unemployed on Tuesday coming 3rd at 10am in the Scout's Den, Naas. To book a place text Breda at 086 7916933.

Clothes Collection Piper's Hill College, Green Schools Committee in conjunction with Dolly's Textile Recycling and MS Ireland are holding a clothes recycling drive. Donations will be accepted at the school reception between Monday 2nd November to Thursday 5th, from 8.30am to 6pm and on Friday 6th from 8.30am to 2pm. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Team Hope Annual Shoebox Appeal closing date for receipt of boxes is **Tuesday 10th November**. You can leave your box/s into the Parish Office, Axa Insurance, or Healy's Exhausts, Monread Road.

Eucharistic Ministers.....Date for your Diary; An evening of Renewal and Reflection will take place in the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane on Thursday 26th November at 7.30pm, (**please note change of date and time**) and will be led by Julie Kavanagh.

Christmas with Celine Byrne and Guests; Christmas Concert in aid of Our Lady and St David's Church Restoration Fund will take place on Saturday, 19th December at 8pm in Our Lady and St David's Church.

World Youth Day there will be an information meeting on Sunday 15th November at Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane at 1pm, for those interested in travelling to Krakow, Poland in 2016.

Naas Parish Lotto Draw

€1,750 that's the Jackpot in the Next Draw on Wednesday coming 4th November

There was no winner of the Jackpot on Wednesday last 28th October.

Numbers drawn were 28 –13 – 3 –16.

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. After a very successful year, our Parish Lotto continues into 2016 commencing on Wednesday 9th December 2015.

Due to the support of our parishioners and ticket sellers, our second year has raised over €100,000 for our Building Fund, bringing the total amount raised to date to over €230,000. We would like to express our deepest gratitude to those of you who support and continue to support our Lotto by purchasing weekly or annual tickets. The Lotto has made an important and significant impact on the finances of our Parish and we would sincerely hope that you will stay on board with us during 2016.

To date we've 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 think you could even sell a couple of tickets, on a weekly basis, to your friends, family or neighbours please contact the Parish Office on the Sallins Road, or the draw Office in The Church of the Irish Martyrs Ballycane, or further information can be had from the Draw Secretary on 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: _____

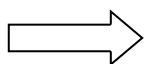
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Contact Number: _____ Mobile: _____

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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