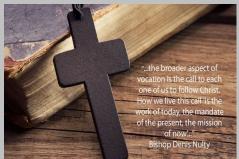
# Parish Mewsletter

## Fourth Sunday of Easter 22nd April 2018.





On this Vocations Sunday, we heartily welcome the Poor Clare Sisters from Graiguecullen in Carlow.



We are delighted that they come to Naas armed with their message of joy and gladness. We assure them of our prayers asking the Lord to bless their work and increase their numbers. We also pray to the Lord to increase the numbers of those contemplating and presenting for Priesthood and Diaconate in our Church. Like never before, She is in need of new dedicated women and men who will continue to devote their lives to working in the vineyard of the Lord. It is imperative that we understand that each and every member of the faithful have a role to play in creating a culture of Vocation whether it be at home, at work, or in the public sphere.

What follows is a list of five ways we can all employ in order to promote Vocations: (Source USCCB)

- 1. **Pray** for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life.
- **2. Teach** young people how to pray.
- 3. **Invite** active young adults and teens to consider a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life. A simple, sincere comment should not be underestimated.
- **4. Make it attractive.** The challenge for priests, deacons and religious brothers and sisters is to be joyful models of their vocations.
- **5. Preach it!** Vocations must be talked about regularly if a "vocation culture" is to take root in parishes and homes.

#### Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House Parishes Pro-Life Weekend.

In light of the upcoming referendum on repealing the eight amendment of our constitution next weekend 28th and 29th April will be designated a Pro-Life weekend in Naas Parish.

The recent Pastoral Letter from Bishop Denis, "Supporting a Culture of Life" will be read and distributed at all Masses. Immediately following the 11am Mass in Our Lady and St. David's Church, on Sunday 29th, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed until 5pm giving all our parishioners an opportunity to come and spend time in prayer for this most



important intention. Parishioners are invited to come and spend time with the Lord, praying for the protection of life at all stages. Exposition will end with Benediction at 5pm.

The Irish Bishops have launched a pro-life website at <a href="http://www.chooselife2018.ie">http://www.chooselife2018.ie</a> with resources and prayers that will guide the Catholic faithful and all people of goodwill to an appreciation for God-given human life in these times when the dignity of human life – especially the life of the unborn child in the womb – is in danger of being compromised.

**Kildare and Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, led by Bishop Denis Nulty.** The Pilgrimage takes place on 16th July for 5nights at a cost of €739 per person sharing, staying at "Hotel Solitude". The Pilgrimage is being organised in conjunction with Joe Walsh Tours. Booking Forms are now available from the Parish Office, Sallins Road. €200 Booking Deposit required at time of booking.

#### PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

PRIEST ON DUTY: 085 708 8407

PARISH WEBSITE: www.naasparish.ie

NAAS & SALLINS PARISH OFFICE Tel 879730

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 5pm

Naas eMail office@naasparish.net

Sallins eMail sallinsparishoffice@gmail.com

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. LIAM MORGAN Sallins Road 087 133 7879 FR. JOE O'NEILL Sunday's Well 045 876197 FR. MICHAEL FLATTERY Sallins Road 045 897703 FR. ALEX KOCHATT Lakelands 045 898684 DN. FERGAL O'NEILL Parish Deacon 086 3816 133 Ms. HILDA CAMPBELL Pastoral Admin Ass. 045 879730

New Safeguarding Policy recently updated is now displayed in all our Church Porches.

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

Naas: Geraldine Faherty and Adrian King

Sallins: Keith Murphy

Two Mile House: Mary Valentine, Paula Clancy and

Suzanne Powell.

They can be contacted through the Parish Office,

Sallins Road, Naas. Phone 045 879730.

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person: Ms Joan Treacy, C/o Bishop's House, Dublin Rd, Carlow. 085 802 1633

#### A Daily Prayer for Vocations:

O Jesus, send labourers into your fields. which are awaiting holy apostles, saintly priests heroic missionaries and dedicated sisters and brothers.

Enkindle in the hearts of men and women the spark of a vocation.

Grant that Christian families may desire to give your Church, helpers in the work of tomorrow. Amen.

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

#### Naas:

Teresa Harvey, St Joseph's Road Kathleen (Kitty) Treacy, St. David's Terrace Anne Moriarty, Kingsfurze Avenue

#### Sallins:

George Higgins, Rahandoon, Sallins



#### **MASS TIMES**

#### CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND ST. DAVID, SALLINS ROAD

Mon-Fri 7:30am 10am Sat 10am WEEKDAYS: SUNDAYS: Sat Vigil 6pm Sun 9am 11am and 6pm

#### CHURCH OF THE IRISH MARTYRS, BALLYCANE

Mon, Wed and Fri 7:30pm WEEKDAYS:

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

#### CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND GUARDIAN ANGELS, SALLINS

Tues and FRI 10am WEEKDAYS:

SUNDAYS: Sat Vigil 6:30pm Sun 10am 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:

Wednesday 25th: St Mark, Evangelist Friday 27th: St Asicus, bishop

#### **RECENT BAPTISMS**

#### Naas:

Naoise Kate O'Brien, Oldtown Gardens

Ailith Fiadh Deasy, Kings Court

Conan Brian Cully, Caragh Meadows

Ella Lesley Turley, Maple Lawns

Saul Ryan Wallington, Sallins Pier

Luke Michael Stapleton, Oldtown Villas

Lucy Niamh Bennett, Cnoc na Greinne

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**

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.'

Scripture Sharing tomorrow Monday 23rd at 8.15pm in the Parochial House. Bring a Bible.

Mothers Prayers at the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane on Wednesdays at 8.15pm.



**Divine Mercy Prayer Group** takes place immediately after 7.30pm Mass in the Irish Martyrs Church, Ballycane, on Wednesday 25th April. All welcome.

World Meeting of Families; Contact point for Volunteers. Garda Vetting Form Completion. You can call into the Parish Office on the Sallins Rd Mondays, 23rd and 30th April, from 3pm to 5pm.

**Coffee Morning** on Wednesday coming 25th after the 10am Mass in the Parochial House....come and join us for a cuppa and a chat.

The Alzheimer's Café Support Group next meeting on Wednesday coming 25th from 7pm to 9pm in McAuley Place, Convent Tea Rooms. There will be a talk on safety and security in the home with Garda Gary Colgan. All are welcome to come have a cup of tea, a slice of cake and join the conversation.

Naas Flower and Garden Club next meeting takes place on Thursday coming 26th April at 7.45pm in the Care of the Aged Centre, Newbridge Road (Beside Fire Station). There will be a Teaching Demonstration by Ann Clifford. We welcome visitors, new and past members to join us.

**Thank You** to all who came and supported the recent Coffee Morning in the Scout Den in support of 'Daffodil Day' which raised €1,400.

Brian Brady Youth Theatre presents 'Sister Act' from 1st to 4th May, 'Grease' from 9th to 12th May at the Moat Theatre. For bookings phone 883030.

#### **SALLINS PARISH NEWS**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday coming 24th April from 10.30am -11am.

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

Big Customer Event at the St Vincent de Paul Shop the Waterways, Sallins on Thursday coming 26th April stating at 10am with lots of new clothes, new bric a brac on sale.

Date for your Diary...Sallins Pilgrimage to Lourdes



will take place on 23rd June for 7 Nights, Full Board staying at the 'Jeanne d'Arc Hotel'. For bookings phone Rita Fanning on 087 6535112 or 086 0834807. Spiritual

Director Fr. Michael Flattery. Each year Sallins Lourdes Pilgrimage invite a number of sick people from Sallins Parish on their Pilgrimage. If you or a member of your family would like to be considered you can contact Rita.

#### TWO MILE HOUSE NEWS

**Weekday Morning Mass** is celebrated from Monday to Thursday at 9.15am. Friday evening Mass as usual at 7pm.

Parish Conversations; As part of our preparation for



the World Meeting of Families in Dublin this August you are welcome to join us for relaxed and informal conversations with light refreshments on what it means to be a

family to-day. The get - togethers will continue in the Church of the Irish Martyrs from **8pm** to **9.15pm** on

Thursday 26th April: God's dream for love.

**Thursday 3rd May:** Married love growing to Maturity. **Thursday 17th May:** God's Mercy – No One Excluded

Thursday 24th May: A Gospel of Hope for our family. Using engaging short videos, animations and activities to encourage discussion our gatherings will offer an opportunity to chat about the reality of family life in the world today and the challenges posed by consumer culture to the stability in the family. It will be an opportunity to think about our vision and hopes for family and marriage and a chance to rediscover the gift that family is to the world. You are welcome to join with us for all of the nights or even one evening of your choice.

#### **GENERAL NOTICES**

#### Parish Finances:

Sallins: Baskets: €690 Envelopes: €470

Naas: Offertory: €3,230 Development Fund: €3,780

Two Mile House: €665

Sports Lottery Results

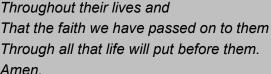
Naas 12/4 (5-7-25-28) No Winner, Jackpot €1,450 Sallins 16/4 (11-14-26) No Winner, Jackpot €1,150

Walking Sunday, to-day 22nd April. The fun starts at 1.30pm at Punchestown Racecourse, a great Family Day, bring your dog for Dog Show at 3pm.

Raising Voices/Raising Notes Concert involving 'The Big C Choir' and many guests. Compares on the night, Ciara Plunkett and Liam Kett from KFM radio, takes place Friday coming 27th April at 8pm in the Westgrove Hotel, Clane. This concert is in support of the 'Burns Unit in Crumlin Children's Hospital' and 'The Little Way Support Cancer Support, Clane. Tickets on Sale from the Parish Office, Sallins Road, Naas.

#### **Family Prayer:**

We pray for our children
wherever they may be
asking Jesus, Mary and Joseph
to watch over and guard them
Throughout their lives and
That the faith we have passed or



### Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House Parish Race Day on Sunday 20th May at Naas Racecourse.

The Management of Naas Racecourse have very kindly offered us the opportunity to hold a "Parish Race Day" in order to raise funds for our three Parishes of Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House. We hope that our Community will get involved and enjoy what promises to be a great Parish day out.

The event will feature the Royal Ascot Trials Day at Naas Racecourse. This is one of the feature race meetings within the Irish Flat season especially for those preparing for glory at Royal Ascot. This meeting is the flagship flat Race Day of the year.

- **♦** You can support this great event by: Purchasing Tickets, €15 each or 8 for €100.
- **♦** Corporate Tickets at €50 each, which covers Admission, Race Card and Three Course Meal.
- Free Admission for children under 18 yrs.
- Race Sponsorship is also available, if interested phone Tom on 087 233 5206.

Tickets are now on sale from the Parish office, Sallins Road.

Monies received from tickets sold within each Parish will be allocated to that Parish accordingly.

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### Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw. You Could Win €6,650

Parish Lotto

on Wednesday, 25th April in the Parish Lotto Draw
The Draw takes place at 7pm at the Church of the Irish Martyrs,
Ballycane, and all are welcome to attend the draw.
Simply Buy A €2 Ticket And It Could Be You.

There was no winner of the Jackpot on Wednesday 18th April.

Numbers Drawn were 1— 3 — 18 —26: Four Lucky dip winners of €100 each:

Sean Kennedy, Teresa Moore, Anna McEllin and Joanne Rafferty.

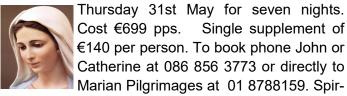
**T**ickets can be purchased from:- Menswear, Nolans Butchers, Barker & Jones, Liz Bergin Hair Salon, Veritas Stationery Store, The Soda Bread Shop, Gouldings Hardware, Swans on the Green. **T**ickets are available from the Parish Office on the Sallins Rd, or in The Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane.



Parish Bingo continues every Tuesday night at 8.30pm sharp, in the Care of the Aged Centre, Newbridge Road, with Bigger Prizes and Jackpot. Parish Lotto Tickets on Sale at Bingo.

#### **GENERAL NOTICES:**

Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje takes place from



itual Director Fr. Joe O'Neill.

Bereaved? Need to Talk? Want to Talk?

Qualified counsellors are available every
Thursday Night in the Church of the Irish Martyrs,
Ballycane from 8pm to 9.30pm. For further
information phone 045 895629 or 086 8554852.
This is a free, confidential and non
denominational service.

#### Visit of the Icon of the Holy Family to the Diocese



Local plans are under way for the visit of the Holy Family Icon to the diocese. You are welcome to visit the Churches hosting the Icon during these days to see

and pray before the Icon which was recently blessed by Pope Francis. The Diocesan Petition Box will accompany the icon and any Prayer Petitions written will be brought to Dublin to be prayed for at the World Meeting of Families.

Bishop Denis will lead the Liturgies opening and closing in the Cathedral, Carlow, Ss. Peter and Paul Church, Portlaoise and St. Conleth's Church , Newbridge. See posters in Church Porches or more details on kandle.ie