



NAAS SALLINS TWO MILE HOUSE NEWSLETTER



Mass Times: **Easter Sunday (Year A)**

<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

*The 7.30 pm Mass on Wednesday is celebrated in the Church of Our Lady and St David, Naas

New Beginnings...

Newgrange is one of the best known prehistoric tombs in the world. It was built about 3000 B.C. What is special about Newgrange is that every year on the Winter Solstice on December 21st as the sun rises, its light shines through the 60 foot (18m) long passageway which leads into the central burial chamber. The tomb was built in such a way that at sunrise on the shortest day of the year the sun illuminates the central burial chamber for about seventeen minutes. Why was Newgrange built in this way? While no one knows for sure there has been speculation that the builders believed the sunlight would take the souls of the dead to the next life. The people who built Newgrange had hope in their hearts. It is a very clear example of the light shining into the darkness.

From a Christian perspective, at Easter we celebrate the Light shining in the darkness! So what does that mean? Faith in the resurrection of Jesus Christ isn't a magic potion that simply solves life's problems when they come along. The Resurrection doesn't take our worries or troubles away. So what does it do? Faith in the resurrection gives us the perspective and the courage to face life as it is. It helps us to confront the pain of illness, to bear the loneliness of bereavement, to face the cutting edge of personal failure and brokenness. Faith in the Risen Christ is about saying: I believe in the sun even when it isn't shining; I believe in love even when I am alone; I believe in God even when he is silent. Celebrating the Risen Christ at Easter gives us a perspective of light and hope in the inevitable pains and limitations of our human condition.

Brendan Kennelly captures this sense in his poem "Begin." The last few lines encapsulate what resurrection means in day to day living;

*Though we live in a world that dreams of ending
That always seems about to give in
Something that will not acknowledge conclusion
Insists that we forever begin.*

Naas-Sallins-Two Mile House-Parish Team

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Fr Bogdan : 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

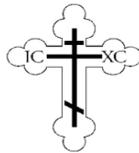
SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN; PARISH DESIGNATED PERSONS:

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”**

Tom Byrne, Kingsfurze Avenue

Brian Caffrey, Lakelands



MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

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

Naas:

Ellie Colette Lawless, Radharc an Chaislean
Morgan John Begley, Cluain Aoibhinn
Layah Jamie Kenny, Oldtown Demesne
Danielle Catherine Purcell, Kilcullen Rd
Jodi Tamzin Lillis, Morell Green
Patrick John Milliner, Craddockstown Rise



THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

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

Parish Finances:

<u>Sallins:</u>	Baskets:	€ 728
	Envelopes:	€ 455
<u>Naas:</u>	Offertory:	€3,849
	Development Fund:	€3,721
<u>Two Mile House:</u>		€ 673

Grateful thanks to all who support our collections.

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS AND NEW MISSAL

Copies of the Newsletter for the Diocesan Liturgy Commission are available along with the Parish Newsletter this week-end. The Newsletter gives updates on the 2012 Eucharistic Congress and the New Missal which will be introduced on the 1st Sunday of Advent.

GAA Lotto:

Sallins: 18/04 Jackpot €2,350: No winner: Numbers:5-11-12: Venue 26/04: Railway Inn

Naas: 14/04 Jackpot €1,000: No winner: Numbers:6-7-22-25: Next weeks' Jackpot €1,150

Splotto / Ballycane Celtic: No results available

Sallins Parish News

From Fr Declan Let me wish you all the blessings of Easter. This is the time when we all need hope and the possibilities that come with new beginnings. Thank you to everyone who played their part in last weeks' celebrations.

We will have to do something about the vandalism and stealing, which is taking place here. I don't know what that will be, but we may have to do a few things. We can't continue to buy heating oil, so that thieves can benefit from it. There are all sorts of possibilities when we begin again. May I ask the question about parking around the centre? Why are we providing free parking for people, who could easily park elsewhere for €1 per day? It seems strange to me and, dare I say so, unnecessary!

The First Holy Communions are coming up very soon and I'm sure we're all looking forward to them, so, let us finish on a positive note, and pray for these wee ones, that they will experience the care and love of this community. God bless you all.

Declan

Easter Dues in support of the priests of the Parish takes place this weekend, 23rd/24th April.

There will be no 10am Mass during the coming week in Sallins.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction: on Friday coming, 29th April at 7.45pm.

Sallins I.C.A.: Mary, President of Sallins I.C.A. wishes to thank the members and friends for their help in preparing the Community Centre and baking lovely cakes for the Confirmations...Go raibh mile maith agaibh!

Pastoral Council next meeting takes place Tuesday coming, 26th April at 8.30pm in the Community Centre.

Pilgrimage to Knock Pastoral Council is organising a trip to Knock on Sunday 19th June. More details to come.

The Sallins Conference of St Vincent de Paul can be contacted at 085-7052294.

Naas Parish News

Easter Collection for the priests of the Parish takes place at all Masses today

First Friday, 6th May there will be no Penitential Service during evening Mass

Parish Office, Sallins Road: will be open Wednesday 27th 10am –1pm & Friday 29th 10am –5pm only.

Church Renovation: A letter outlining the background and scope of the proposed renovation and restoration of Our Lady and St David's Church will be available to all parishioners next weekend. Please ensure you pick up a copy. The letter will also be available on the Naas Parish website: www.naasparish.ie

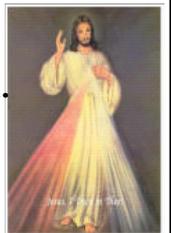
Divine Mercy Sunday: 1st May 2011

The feast of the Divine Mercy will be celebrated in the Church of Our Lady and St David, Sallins Road at 3pm on Sunday next, 1st May.

Preparation for the Feast should consist of:

1. Novena of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy commencing on Good Friday, 22nd April.
2. Confession on or before the Feast.
3. Holy Communion to be received on the Feast Day.
4. Acts of Mercy to be performed (by deed, word or prayer) on the days prior to the Feast Day.
5. Sermon by Priest on Divine Mercy on the Feast Day .

The message of Divine Mercy is at the heart of the Gospel; it presents the truth and the call of the Gospel and was proclaimed by our late Pope John Paul in his encyclical 'Rich in Mercy' as the message of our age.



Tenders: Tenders will shortly be invited for proposed Conservation Works at the Church of Our Lady and St. David in Naas, Co. Kildare. The works will include roofing repairs and the re-pointing and re-rendering of external walls, the conservation and repair or reconstruction of leaded and Stained Glass windows, internal re-ordering works, the upgrading of building services and redecoration.

Suitably qualified Building Contractors, Mechanical Services Contractors, Electrical Services Contractors, Stained Glass specialists and Painting Contractors wishing to be considered for inclusion in a prequalification process for the above named works should submit their request in writing, including their company profile and a schedule of references for similar works completed in the recent past to:

Eamonn Hedderman Architects, Holly Park Studio Newtownpark Ave., Blackrock, Co Dublin.

Phone: 01 2883562 Fax: 01 2892208 E-Mail: info@hollyparkstudio.ie

Not later than 12 noon on Friday the 29th of April 2011.

All selected contractors will be required to provide confirmation of compliance with Tax Clearance Procedures and to comply with the requirements of the "Safety, Health and Welfare at Work (Construction) Regulations".

Naas and Two Mile House Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes take place from 16th to 22nd August. Cost €760 (includes full board for 6 nights, sharing twin room). Deposit €150 per person. Priest Leader: Fr Jimmy Doyle and Fr Liam Comer. Bookings through Abbey Travel, 1b Friary Business Park, Friary Road, phone 045 897756.

Naas Easter Parade takes place today, Easter Sunday starting from the Blessington Road at 2.45pm coming up past the old Tesco store turning left and up the town. The review stand will be at the Court House and the Prize giving ceremony will take place after the parade in the Osprey Hotel. Come along and enjoy the afternoon.

Naas Juvenile Hurling Easter Coaching Camp commences on Tuesday coming, 26th April and concludes on Friday 29th April. It runs from 10.30am to 2pm for boys/girls aged 5 to 14.

General Notices

'Kildare Local Employment Service, OBAIR' (Naas Office) will hold an Information/Registration Day in Naas Credit Union on Friday 29th April from 9.30am – 1pm. Naas Local Employment Service Ph 045 895555

The Kildare Branch of Down Syndrome Ireland are seeking ladies to walk or run in the Ladies Flora Mini Marathon on June 6th . If you are interested in raising much needed funds for the many activities which we provide please phone 045-487584 or 086-0869897 for a sponsorship card. Transport will be provided.

Found: Lady's Ring found in the Church of Our Lady and St David. Phone Parish Office at 045 879730.

Unique Challenge Eoin Beatty (14 yrs) from Sallins GAA will attempt a Unique Challenge in aid of St Bridget's Hospice, Curragh next weekend. Eoin plans to kick a point in every club GAA ground in the county, starting in Sallins on Fri 29 April at 6.30pm and finishing in County grounds on Monday 2nd May. Please come out and support this cause. Eoin plans to visit Sallins, Naas, TwoMileHouse on the Fri eve. Please phone Mark at 087-2509544

Arthritis Support Group chat meeting on Thursday 28th April at 8pm sharp in Lumville House, Curragh, Newbridge. Information leaflets available. Light refreshments will be served

Swimming/Aqua exercise for People with Arthritis every Wednesday afternoon in the Gables Swimming Pool, Kilcullen Road., Newbridge. Instructor: Eva Doran, Fitness Instructor.

Naas Walking Group for people with arthritis meet in Naas Health & Fitness Centre on Sat 30th April at 2pm.

Cystic Fibrosis Bag Pack on Fri/Sat 29th and 30th April in Tesco, Blessington Rd Naas. For your constant support we are most grateful. If you have a spare hour or two on either days please ph Caroline @ 086 8221437.

Regina Coeli (this prayer is usually recited between Easter Sunday and Pentecost Sunday instead of the Angelus).

Queen of Heaven rejoice, alleluia; For he whom you did merit to bear alleluia

Has risen as he said, alleluia; Pray for us to God, alleluia

Rejoice and be glad O Virgin Mary, alleluia; For the Lord is truly risen, alleluia

Let us pray: O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech you, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may obtain the joy of everlasting life, through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.