



NAAS SALLINS TWO MILE HOUSE NEWSLETTER



Mass Times: Second Sunday of Lent: (Year C) Gospel: Luke 9:28-36

<u>Church</u>	<u>Weekdays</u>		<u>Sundays</u>
Our Lady and St David, Naas	Mon - Fri 7.30am, 10am	Saturday 10am.	Saturday Vigil: 6pm Sunday 8.30am, 10am, 12noon, 6pm.
Irish Martyrs, Ballycane, Naas	Mon - Fri 7.30pm	Saturday 11am	Saturday Vigil: 7.30pm 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

It's not how things are, it's the way we look at them...

Sometimes we say, "It's impossible." But Jesus says in Luke 18:27, "Things that are impossible for men are possible for God."

Sometimes we say, "I'm too tired." But Jesus says in Matt 11:28 "Come to me all you who labour and are overburdened and I will give you rest."

Sometimes we say, "Nobody really loves me." But in John 3:16 we read that God so loved the world that he gave his only Son.

Sometimes we say, "I can't go on." But Jesus told Paul, "My grace is enough for you, for power is at full stretch in weakness." (2 Cor. 12:9)

Sometimes we say, "I can't do it." But Paul wrote in Phil 4:13, "I can do all things in Him who strengthens me."

Sometimes we say, "I'm always worried and frustrated." But Peter wrote in 1 Pet 5:7, "Unload all your worries onto God since he is looking after you."

Sometimes we say, "I feel all alone."

But in Heb 13:5 God says, "I will never fail or desert you."

The transfiguration of Jesus in our Gospel was not just about Jesus. It is a vision of the glorious future to which we are all called. But we encounter problems and negativities and we get hurt going through life. Then we have the choice either to say and negative things or we can choose to remember who we really are - brothers and sisters of Jesus and daughters of God since baptism - and that the glory of the transfigured Jesus awaits each of us.

The disciples who experienced Jesus' transfiguration had to come down the mountain and return to normality but they remembered the transfiguration. Like them we live in normality but we believe and know that God has destined great things for us. We say that the transfiguration prepared the disciples for the scandal of the cross. Celebrating Jesus' Transfiguration early in Lent reminds us of what comes after the cross because it reminds us of the glory of Jesus risen from the dead. In our worst moments of pain may we not think negatively but remember the encouragement we receive in Sacred Scripture (see the encouraging words above) and that God has destined the glory of the transfiguration for each of us in the next life.

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PARISH OFFICE, NAAS

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 Opening Hours: Mon-Fri 10am-5pm
 Wed: 10am-1pm: Lunch 1-2pm

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SACRISTY, Church of Our Lady and St David:
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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
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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. Ph 045 879730.

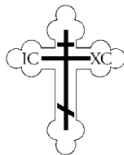
*“THOSE WHO DIE IN GRACE GO BUT TO GOD
 AND GOD IS VERY NEAR”*

Naas:

Anne O’Shea, Millbrook.
 Liam Baldrick, Ashgrove Drive.

Two Mile House:

Sr Mary Thecla Garvey, killashee.
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY WELCOMES
 YOU WITH GREAT JOY!

Naas:

Patrick James Dowling, Cherry Grove
 Desmond Thomas O’Callaghan, Kerdiff Ave
 Keela Ann Jones, Morell Drive
 Luke Christopher McCann, Aylmer Pk
 Aisling Anna Mary Gordon, The Park



Sallins:

Deacon Gavin Doran, Hunters Wood

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

FEAST AND MEMORIAL DAYS FOR THE COMING WEEK:
 Friday 1st March: St David, bishop

Parish Finances:

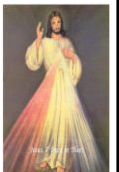
<u>Sallins:</u>	Baskets:	€ 547
	Envelopes:	€ 195
<u>Naas:</u>	Offertory:	€3,274
	Development Fund:	€3,840
<u>Two Mile House:</u>		€ 710

GAA Lotto:

Sallins: 18/02 Jackpot €2,500; Numbers 16-19-24; No winner; Venue 25/02 The Mill; Jackpot €2,650
Naas: 14/02 Jackpot €7,600: Numbers 13-20-21-26; No winner: Next weeks’ Jackpot €7,750.
Splotto/Ballycane Celtic: 17/02: Jackpot €4,150; Numbers 10 -12-13 -19: No winner.
Naas United FC: 17.02 Jackpot €3,000; Numbers 4-15-21-30 No Winner. Next weeks’ Jackpot €3,000 + A restart Jack-pot of €1,000.

Divine Mercy Prayer Group

takes place immediately after 7.30pm
 Mass in the Church of the Irish Martyrs
 Ballycane on Wednesday 27th February
 All welcome.



Marian Movement Cenacle

meets every month in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane at 10.20am The next meeting is on Saturday, 2nd March. All welcome.

Trocaire Boxes are now available in the Church Porches.

Sallins Parish News

First Friday: Fr Declan will bring Communion to the sick and those at home on Friday morning coming 1st March.

Eucharistic Devotion continues on Tuesday between 10.30am and 11.30am. Everyone welcome.

Stations of the Cross: During Lent we will have a weekly reflection on the Stations each Tuesday at 7.30pm. All welcome.

Lourdes 38th Annual Pilgrimage from the 1st July for 7 nights, full board, staying in HotelParadis Spiritual Directors will be Fr Colum Swan and Fr Jimmy Doyle. For further details phone Rita Fanning at 045 861070.

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

Naas Parish News

Parish Mission Statement:

“The Catholic Parish of Naas, in Communion with Christ and with one another and guided by the teachings of the Second Vatican Council, endeavours to welcome, serve and nourish the whole community.”

The Lenten Station Collection will take place at all Masses next weekend 2nd and 3rd March.

Preparation for Easter: You are invited to pray and study the Lenten Readings each Tuesday morning during Lent. The meetings take place in the Parish Meeting rooms. Continuing this coming Tuesday 26th after 10am mass, lead by Sr Peggy.

Confirmation Talk: There will be a short Confirmation talk on Tuesday evening coming 26th February at 8.15pm in Ballycane Church. This is for all parents of Confirmation children.

Course: “I believe – we believe” A course reflecting upon “the Creed” continues Thursday coming 28th February in Church of the Irish Martyrs Ballycane at 8.15pm.

Ministry Sunday: On the Feast Day of the Baptism of the Lord, the Parish Pastoral Council invited people to become more involved in Ministry in the Naas Parish. We are delighted with your terrific response. We are inviting all involved in Ministry in the Parish to a gathering to reflect on the meaning of Ministry on **Wednesday 6th March** in Ballycane at 8.15pm.

Naas Photography Group next meeting is on Tuesday 26th February in Lawlor’s Hotel at 7.30pm. The group has been running for approximately one year now and is made up of about 30 active members. We are a non profit group with the aim of providing a social outlet for all levels of photography from professionals to those who dabble as a hobby. We meet about once a month and also arrange outings during fine weather. New members are always welcome, you don't need to worry about what equipment you have (if any) or what level you are at! Visit us at our facebook LIKE page: www.facebook.com/naasphotographygroup

Naas Active Retirement Assoc Next meeting **Wednesday 27th at 2pm in the Naas Community Centre.**

Naas Musical Society Table Quiz On Thursday Night coming 28th in February in The Town House Hotel at 8pm. Tables of four, or come along as an individual and join a table. All support greatly appreciated.

St Mary’s College: Annual Musical ‘*Thoroughly Modern Milly*’ performed by transition year students, runs from Wednesday 6th to Saturday 9th March. Tickets on sale from the school at lunchtimes only, concession prices for senior citizens and students, special offer prices Thursday night only, contact school for more details.

McAuley Place Bridge Club takes place every Friday. There will be **No Bridge on Friday 8th March.** Please note change of time, **now starting at 1.30pm Sharp.**

FIRST FRIDAY 1st March 2013

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church of Our Lady and St. David, Sallins Road, after 10am Mass until 4pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Church of Our Lady and St David:

Thursday after 10am Mass; Friday 9.30am-10am and after 10am Mass.

Communion to the Housebound

Fr John, Fr Paul, Fr PJ, Fr Bogdan and Fr. Lennon will visit the housebound as usual.

Two Mile House Parish News

Ceremony of Light; We had a lovely ceremony for the Confirmation children and their families on Tuesday evening last. Many thanks to all who planned, prepared and helped with the ceremony. We wish all the Confirmation boys and girls every good wish as they prepare for their Confirmation on the 9th March.

Reminder; Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Rosary take place after 7pm Mass on Friday evenings during Lent.

General Notices

DIOCESAN CONGRESS: LORD INCREASE OUR FAITH Following the very successful Congress that took place last year, another Diocesan Congress will be held in Carlow on Fri 8th & Sat 9th March. In this Year of Faith, the chosen theme is 'Lord, Increase our Faith'. A number of keynote speakers: Rev. Prof Eamonn Conway, Rev Dr Ruth Patterson & Bishop Brendan Kelly. There will also be a wide range of workshops [22 in total] taking place in the Cathedral, Carlow College and the Cathedral Parish Centre. **Booking is essential.** Please note the closing date for **booking is Monday 25th February.** Brochures and Booking Forms are available from the Parish Representative or Parish Office. You can also book online at www.kandle.ie/congress

Course: I believe – We believe” is a course reflecting upon “the Creed” continues this coming Thursday, 28th February in Church of the Irish Martyrs Ballycane at 8.15pm. All most welcome.

Bereavement Support Group: Are you interested in taking part in forming a new support group for those suffering bereavement through loss of a loved one. A training course for this purpose will be run in the ABCE Centre, Jigginstown, Naas, starting on **Tuesday 26th February** from 7.30pm -10pm. If interested or require more information ph Susan/Nora at 881863/881106. We would really appreciate your support with this project.

Bee keepers Association Meeting ; The North Kildare Beekeepers Assoc. will hold their next meeting this coming Tuesday 26th February at 7.45pm in Naas Library. All are welcome to come along and learn about bee-keeping and representatives of the society.

Adult Learners Festival: The Kildare branch of Down Syndrome Latch-on-team would like to invite you to an event we have organised for Tuesday coming 26th February in the Arts & Culture Centre, McAuley Place, Sallins Rd. Commencing at 7pm sharp. Speakers on the night, local man Chris Glennon (Journalist) and Joan Boland (Adult literacy). Light refreshments will be served, we hope you can join us for this celebration of Adult Learning.

Senior Help Line; Are you a good listener???? The National Telephone Help Line for older people is provided by trained older volunteers. Senior Helpline programme is a voluntary organisation which promotes the value of older people throughout Ireland. We are now looking for volunteers in Naas, training will be provided. If you are interested and can help, contact senior Helpline administration at 046/9557750 from 9.30am to 1pm.

McAuley Place Events: (A) Paddy Behan interviews Tom Hickey about his years in Old Naas. On Friday coming 1st March 8pm. Booking essential, phone 045 897833. **(B)** Work by photographer Fiona Nash will be on display in the Lobby of McAuley Place from Friday 1st of March.

Medjugorje Annual Parish Pilgrimage takes place this year from 28th April 7 nights (€599 fully inclusive). Spiritual Director Fr Jim Candon. For bookings ph John or Catherine Murphy at 086/8563773 or 045/866233.

Midlands Support Group - For Family and Friends Affected by Suicide. This new confidential support group, recently established in conjunction with HOPE(D) welcomes people from all areas in Kildare. We meet the first Wednesday of each month at the Aras Building (beside Fás) Main Street, Newbridge at 8pm. Our aim is to connect with people where members can share experiences, advice or just listen providing sympathetic understanding towards one another. For people who have lost a loved one to suicide and would like to connect with others who have gone through the same experience please feel free to come along. Please do not hesitate to contact Jacinta on 087 2229695 should you require more information



Thought for the Week...

“Most people are as happy as they make up their minds to be.” Anon.