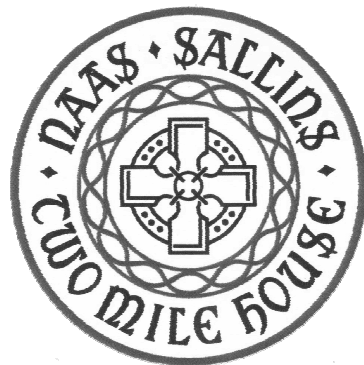


# Parish Newsletter



**Pentecost Sunday**  
**24th May 2015**

John 20: 19-23

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Receive the  
Holy Spirit  
Jn 20:22



**PEACE** is Christ's Easter gift to us and we, who are nourished by his glorified body and blood at every Mass, are already gifted by the Holy Spirit to bring that peace to all whose lives we touch.

That's what Pentecost is all about and that's why we call the rest of the year Ordinary Time! It's Christ's time, made visible through our lives and example.

Today the church celebrates the great feast of Pentecost, which marks the end of the Easter season and the launch of the church's mission to bring Christ's gift of **PEACE** to the world.

It is the perfect day to reflect on our Confirmation as Christians, when we each took responsibility for preaching the Gospel of justice, truth, love and peace by the example of our own lives! Now more than ever we need to accept the challenge to witness Christ's presence in our brokenness, pain, insecurity and in our unjust world.

The Holy Spirit dwells in each of us and offers us seven gifts to equip us to face life and remain above the negative, hopeless, landscape offered by wars and power struggles, leading to oppression and marginalisation of millions.

**As we begin Ordinary Time may Christ's PEACE reign in your hearts and homes and may the Holy Spirit inspire you to rest secure in that peace so that others may notice and say "See how these Christians love one another".**

God Bless.



Dear Brothers and Sisters:

As we continue our catechesis on the family, we look to the marriage feast at Cana, where Jesus performed his first miracle, changing water into wine, at the prompting of Mary his Mother. In this way, he showed his loving concern for the couple and gave a "sign" which has much to tell us

about the meaning and importance of marriage itself.

Today, society is confronted with fewer marriages. In many countries, separation of couples is increasing, while the number of children is decreasing. These broken marriage bonds affect the young most of all, as they come to view marriage as something temporary. Perhaps there is a fear of failure which prevents men and women from trusting in Christ's promise of grace in marriage

and in the family.

And yet, in truth we know that almost every man and woman desires a secure and lasting relationship, a stable marriage and a happy family. Let us not be afraid to invite Jesus and Mary to the marriage feast, for Christian spouses marry not only for themselves but for the good of community and all society.

## **Prayer to the Holy Spirit:**

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful and enkindle in them the fire of Your Love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created and thou shall renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray: O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever rejoice in his consolation, through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

## PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

**PRIEST ON DUTY: 085 708 8407**

**PARISH WEBSITE:** [www.naasparish.ie](http://www.naasparish.ie)

**NAAS AND SALLINS PARISH OFFICE** Tel 879730 Fax 894287

**Opening Hours:** Monday to Friday 10am to 5pm

**Naas eMail** [naasparishoffice@gmail.com](mailto:naasparishoffice@gmail.com)

**Sallins eMail** [sallinsparishoffice@gmail.com](mailto: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. JOHN BRICKLEY** Parochial House 897703

**FR. LIAM MORGAN** Curates House 949576

**FR. KEVIN WALSH** Sallins 879730

**FR. PJ MADDEN** Two Mile House 876160

**DN. FERGAL O'NEILL** Parish Office 879730

**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:

Tuesday 26th: St Philip Neri, priest

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

Brendan Ryan, Blessington Road

Una 'Nuala' Byrne, Mill Lane Nursing Home

Tony Murphy, Newbridge Road

**MAY THEY REST IN PEACE**



## RECENT BAPTISMS

### Naas:

Ryan Shane O'Connor O'Connell, Sundays Well

Anthony Zeman, Morell Dale

Conor Dominic Leahy, Kingscourt

Darragh Brendan Leahy, Kingscourt

### Sallins:

Emily Aureja Grybyte, Osberstown Park



## Two Mile House:

Séan Patrick Doolan, Oakglade

Charlie Thomas Doolan, Oakglade

Kyle Jack Finnan, Osberstown



For those requesting the Sacrament of Baptism two weeks notice is required. For further details see our website at [www.naasparish.ie/sacraments/baptism](http://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.'*

**Retired Priests Collection** takes place at all Masses this weekend, 23rd/24th May.

**Divine Mercy** next meeting takes place on Wednesday coming, 27th May immediately after the 7.30pm Mass in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. All most welcome.

**The Parish Office is now open on Saturday's from 10am to 5pm to facilitate with Mass Cards, only.**

**Naas Concern Group** church street collection takes place this coming weekend, Saturday/Sunday, 30th/31st May. Proceeds in aid of Nepal Earthquakes Appeal. All support towards this special collection will be greatly appreciated. Enquiries to Mary at 087 2570442.

**Accommodation Needed** A young couple, living in Naas since last summer, seek accommodation at an affordable rate. Since their arrival they have quickly settled, and are now actively involved in our Parish. Perhaps you have a “granny flat” adjoining your home, or similar accommodation? Maybe you would be glad to have company close at hand. The arrangement could be mutually beneficial. If you would like to follow up on this notice contact Fr Liam c/o the Parish Office, Sallins Road, 879730.

**Clean-up of Naas Parish Church Grounds.** Would you be free tomorrow Monday 25th May from 7.15pm to 8.30pm for the annual summer tidy-up in the Parish Church Grounds? Bring a brush, spade or hoe if possible. Litter pickers provided. Naas Tidy Towns will also be present to help with the general Sallins Road / Church Lane area. Meet at Parish Church. Thank you.

**Naas Tidy Towns Clean Up:** Want to get involved? Next clean-up tomorrow Monday 25th May from 7.15pm to 8.30pm to clean Poplar Square, Church Lane and Sallins Road. Meet at Parish Church. If you would like to be involved just turn up on the night. Litter pickers and gloves provided. More details from Vourneen at 086 813 8821.

**Volunteer Artist Needed:** Naas Tidy Towns Group is seeking the voluntary services of an artist/s who would be willing to paint a hoarding mural in the town. Please contact Vourneen at 086 813 8821.

**Naas Active Retirement Association,** members only, meeting Wednesday coming, 27th May at 2pm in Naas Community Centre.

**St Vincent de Paul helpline number 045 897306.**

### **SALLINS PARISH NEWS**

**Retired Priests Collection** takes place at all Masses this weekend, 23rd/24th May.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** continues on Tuesday coming 26th May from 10.30am—11am.

**Lourdes 2015, 40th Anniversary** travelling on Friday 12th June for 7 nights. A few extra seats have now become available. Bookings ph Rita 087 6535112.

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

### **TWO MILE HOUSE PARISH NEWS**

**Retired Priests Collection** takes place at the 11am Mass today, Sunday 24th May.

**Congratulations** to the children of both our own school and Killashee Multidenominational school who made their First Holy Communion last Saturday. It was an inspiring and very happy day for us, and a special word of thanks goes to all who contributed, in any way, to the joy and love that was evident everywhere! Special thanks to those who carried out the area clean up the week before, and to our traffic control team for their brave efforts!

**Community Games** athletic track event takes place at the Two Mile House GAA pitches today, Sunday 24th May. As in previous years this is a fun afternoon for children and adults alike and weather permitting we hope to add in a few surprises. Registration 1.30 for 2pm start.

### **GENERAL NOTICE**

#### **Parish Finances:**

Sallins: Baskets: €1,277	Envelopes €385
Naas: Offertory: €3,438	Development €3,514
Two Mile House: €671	

#### **Sports Lottery Results**

Naas: 14/5 (17-19-26-27) No winner, Jackpot €1,150  
Sallins: 18/5 (2-34-35) No winner, Jackpot €2,650  
Naas United 18/5 (3-5-27-30) No winner Jackpot €3,000

**Special Mass** for those sitting exams will take place in Caragh Church on Saturday coming, 30th May at 6.30pm. Everyone is very welcome.

**Church Pews.** Last few from Our Lady and St David's still available. Contact the Parish Office, at 879730.

**Naas United FC. Summer Soccer Camp** commences on Saturday 6th June from 4pm-5.30pm at Monread Park. Registration 3.30pm. Contact Brian/Donal on 086 8407401 / 087 1397756 respectively.

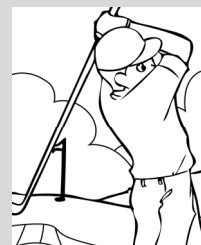
**Bridge Competition:** The Hugh Peacock Perpetual Trophy, which is open to all grades, takes place tomorrow, Monday 25th May at 7.30pm sharp at Ryston Club, Newbridge.

## ***Our Annual Golf Classic for the Parish Church Restoration Fund***

will take place on

**Monday, 15th June in Craddockstown Golf Club.**

**If you would like to participate as a Team on the day, Sponsor a Tee Box or Prizes for the Golf Competition or Raffle, please contact the Parish Office on 045 879730.**



## **You Could Win €1,500**

### **On this Wednesday coming, 27th May in Naas Parish Lotto Draw Simply Buy A €2 Ticket And It Could Be You**

**There was no winner of the Jackpot on Wednesday 20th May.**

**Numbers drawn were: 17-14-21-23**

Tickets are available from the Parish Office on the Sallins Road, or in the Church of the Irish Martyrs Ballycane. Lotto Envelopes are also available in the Church Porches. Simply complete and drop it into the Parish Office, Sallins Road before 3pm for the weekly draw.

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!!***

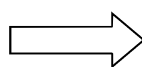
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**Please choose four numbers between 1 and 28  
(inclusive) and write them in the boxes**



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**Naas and Two Mile House Pilgrimage to Lourdes** travelling on Wednesday 2nd September for 5 nights, staying at Hotel Padoue. Cost €739 per person sharing. Deposit €100. Bookings at the Parish Office, Sallins Road. Spiritual Director: Fr. John Brickley.

**Pilgrimage to the Holy Land** departing on Wednesday, 16th September for 9 Nights. Spiritual Director: Rev Mgr John Byrne. Please contact Tully's Travel Ltd, 137 Tullow Street, Carlow for further information email: [www.tullys.ie](http://www.tullys.ie) or phone 059 96100.

**National Parents Council Primary Education Conference** 'Building Brighter Futures' takes place on Saturday 13th June from 10.30am—4pm in the National College of Ireland, Mayor St, Dublin 1. Registration [www.npc.ie](http://www.npc.ie)

**Newsletter:** You can log on to [www.naasparish.ie](http://www.naasparish.ie) for current or past issues of the Parish Newsletter.



### ***Thought for the Week:***

Always end the day with a positive thought. No matter how hard things are, tomorrow's a fresh opportunity to make it better. *Unknown.*