



**NAAS  
SALLINS  
TWO MILE HOUSE  
NEWSLETTER**



**Mass Times: First Sunday of Lent ( Year B) Gospel: Mark 1:12-15**

<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

**Time Out.....**

Sometimes we all need to take a step back from the routine of our daily lives. It's good to take time to reflect upon where we are at in life. This was important for Jesus too. Many times in the Gospels we hear of him taking time to be by himself to pray to his heavenly Father. This First Sunday in Lent we hear of him going out into the desert. Jesus needed this time of retreat to find his focus in his life. We need the same to define the goals of our life. We need time and space to hear the call to give quality time to marriage, to use the things of creation well, to avoid what's detrimental to health and soul, to treat everyone with the dignity that is their due, to respect the other in our friendships, to respect each other on the roads, and to care for the environment. This is all part of the goal of being a Christian.

This sense of going out into the "desert" has been very much part of our tradition. We have places such as Glendalough, Croagh Patrick, Lough Derg where people have journeyed to find peace and solitude down through the centuries to this day. We may not be able to afford the luxury of taking a day or two in Glendalough to be by ourselves this Lent, but perhaps there are other things we could do that could make a difference;

- We could take a few extra minutes to pop into the church to enjoy some quiet time of reflection in the presence of the Lord.
- We could take a walk and look all around and reflect upon the gifts God has blessed us with in creation, things that perhaps we take for granted.
- We could take time to thank God for all he has blessed us with in life... family, health, home, friendships...
- We could sit quietly with a piece of Scripture and reflect on what the Lord might be saying to us in it.

Lent offers us endless opportunities to strengthen our bond with the Lord and one another!

**Trocaire Boxes are now available in the Church Porches.**

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## **PARISH OFFICE, NAAS**

(Sallins Road): Ph 879730; Fax 894287  
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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:  
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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

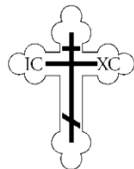
## **SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN; PARISH DESIGNATED PERSONS:**

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”**

### **Naas:**

Sheila Connolly, Monread Heights  
Sheila Sinnott, formerly Kingsfurze



### **Two Mile House:**

Colette O'Neill, Two Mile House

***MAY THEY REST IN PEACE***

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

### **Naas:**

Niamh Anne Horan, Devoy Terrace  
Euan Jarlath Breen, Roseville

### **Sallins:**

Sophie Sarah Denton, Sallins Pier  
Fionn James Hannigan, Sallins Bridge  
Chloe Ellen Senior, Millbank Square  
Sophie Louise McCann, Monread Ct  
Molly Elizabeth Sinnamon, Osberstown  
Benjamin Michael Bowden, Chestnut Hill



## **GAA Lotto:**

**Sallins:** 20/02 Jackpot €5,050: Numbers 10-17-24; No winner; Venue 27/02 Railway Inn; Jackpot €5,200

**Naas** 16/02 Jackpot €1,150: Numbers 9-14-16-23: No winner: Next weeks' Jackpot €1,300.

**Splotto/Ballycane Celtic:** 19/02 Numbers 5-15-18-21; No Winner: Jackpot 26/02 €6,000

**Naas United FC:** 19/02 Jackpot €1,500; Numbers 17-19-23-24; No winner Jackpot 19/02 €1,600

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## **Parish Finances:**

<b><u>Sallins:</u></b>	<b>Baskets:</b>	€ 478
	<b>Envelopes:</b>	€ 382
<b><u>Naas:</u></b>	<b>Offertory:</b>	€3,384
	<b>Development Fund:</b>	€3,986.
<b><u>Two Mile House:</u></b>		€ 460

Grateful thanks to all who support our collections

## **Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan Gathering – “A Place at the Table” 9th and 10th March, Carlow.**

On the 9th and 10th March our diocese will be holding a major event in conjunction with the National Eucharistic Congress to be held in June. The event, to be held in Carlow (The Cathedral and Carlow College), and is entitled “*A Place at the Table.*” The keynote speakers are Baroness Nuala O’Loan, Fr. Peter McVerry and Fr. Michael Drumm. Further to this there will be a vast amount of workshops that people can attend during the event. More information is available on [www.kandle.ie](http://www.kandle.ie) and *application forms are available* in the churches for those who wish to book a place at the event. We ask people to fill out the form and drop it into the **Parish Office on the Sallins Rd.** as soon as possible. The event is free of charge and the parishes of Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House will sponsor a bus for those going to the event on Saturday, 10th March. *Please let the Parish Office, Sallins Road know if you require bus transport.*

### **FEAST AND MEMORIAL DAYS DURING THE COMING WEEK:**

**Monday 5th:** St Kieran, bishop  
**Wednesday 7th:** Ss Perpetua and Felicity, martyrs  
**Thursday 8th:** St John of God, religious  
**Friday 9th:** St Frances of Rome, religious

### **Adoration Time Changes**

at the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane:

**Monday 27th:** 3pm to 9pm  
**Tuesday 28th:** 3pm to 7pm  
**Wed 29th:** 3pm to 9pm

## **Sallins Parish News**

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction** on Friday coming, 2nd March at 7.30pm.  
**First Friday** the housebound will be visited on Thursday coming.

**Ceremony of Light** takes place Wednesday coming, 29th February at 7.30pm in the Church.

**Confirmation** meeting with the parents and children on Tuesday 6th March at 7.30pm in the Church  
**Cheltenham Preview Night** in aid of Sallins Primary School on Thursday 8th March at 8pm in the Bridgewater Inn. For more details phone Pat 045 880681.

**Parish Envelopes Collection:** The new ‘collection envelope’ boxes for the coming year are now available for collection in the church. A sincere *ThankYou* to all who contribute to our collections.

**Sallins Conference of Saint Vincent De Paul** may be contacted at 085 7052294.

## **Naas Parish News**

**Preparation for Easter** You are invited to pray and study the Lenten Sunday readings each Tuesday morning continuing on Tuesday coming, 28th February after the 10am Mass in the Parish Meeting Rooms, Sallins Road, Naas. Sr Peggy Cleary will lead the sessions.

**Lenten Station Collection** will take place at all Masses next week, 3rd/4th March.

**Our Lady and St. David’s;** With the brighter evenings now upon us, from Monday coming, 27th February the Church will close at **6pm**.

**DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP** takes place immediately after 7.30pm Mass in Church of The Irish Martyrs, Ballycane on Wednesday coming, 29th 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, 3rd March. All welcome.

**Naas Confirmation:** A talk for the parents of children making their Confirmation in Naas this year, takes place in Ballycane Church on Wednesday, 14th March at 8.15pm. All parents are invited.

**St Vincent de Paul Society Naas** helpline phone number 045 897306.

### **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

As usual on First Fridays there will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church of Our Lady and St. David, Sallins Road, after 10.00am Mass until **6pm**.

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

**Church of Our Lady and St David:**

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

**Church of the Irish Martyrs:**

There will be **No** Penitential Service

### **Communion to the Housebound:**

Fr Thompson, Fr. Brickley, Fr. Dempsey, Fr. Bogdan and Fr. Lennon will visit the housebound as usual.

## Naas Continued:

**St Vincent de Paul Society Naas helpline phone number 045 897306.**

**Kingsfurze Residents AGM** on Wednesday coming, 29th March at 8.30pm sharp in the Town House Hotel.

**Easter Parade** will take place on Easter Sunday 8th April and we would like to invite your Business, Club or Organisation (whether you are an established or a new group) to participate in what's promised to be a good day's entertainment! Floats, Music, Dancing, Flyers, etc can be used to draw attention to your business and allows you to gain public awareness. We would like all participants in the parade to use their own imagination and for this reason there will not be a theme for the parade. If you are interested in participating or require further information please contact Willie at 086 2341009 or email [wcallaghan@eircom.net](mailto:wcallaghan@eircom.net)

## Two Mile House Parish News

**Confirmation**; Ceremony of Light for parents, candidates and family members takes place in St. Peter's Church this Wednesday, 29th at 8pm.

**First Confession**; A talk on the Sacrament of Reconciliation (First Confession) will take place in St. Peter's Church on Thursday next, 1st of March at 8p.m. This talk is for all parents from Killashee and Two Mile House schools who have children for First Confession this year.

**Something for Lent**; During Lent after the 7pm Mass on Fridays we have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Rosary. All are welcome to come along.

## General Notices

**Reflection on the Stations**; A special reflection on the Stations of the Cross will take place on Friday evening coming, 2nd March after the 7.30pm Mass in Ballycane. All are welcome to come along.

**"Signposts"** As part of the preparation for the International Eucharistic Congress in June, a programme of preparation is being offered to parishes. Two nights were held before Christmas. The next two nights are being held in Ballycane Church on Mondays 5th and 12th March at 8.15pm. These nights consists of reflection upon the Eucharist. All welcome to come to these inputs so as to help in our understanding of what the Eucharist means.

**Choirs**; A night with Ian Callanan takes place in Ballycane Church on Tuesday coming, 28th February at 8.15pm. All choir members in Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House are invited to come along.

**St David's Day**: St David's Church of Ireland is 800 years old this year. On Thursday, 1st March at 11am there will be a special Service in St David's Church, Main Street, Naas to celebrate St David' Day. All are welcome.

**Women's World Day of Prayer**: The annual Service will be held in St John's Church, Kill at 7.30pm on Friday coming, 2nd March. All are welcome to this Service which this year has been compiled by the women of Malaysia.

**Volunteers** have an integral role to play in the success of the 50th International Eucharistic Congress in Ireland. Volunteers are needed for the period of Wednesday 6th June until Tuesday 19th June 2012, for a minimum of 5 days. The closing date for volunteer applications is Saturday 17th March 2012 as volunteers must complete induction training and a Garda vetting process. Volunteer now and get involved! To register as a volunteer fill in the online form available on [www.iec2012.ie/volunteer](http://www.iec2012.ie/volunteer).

**Table Quiz For "TOUCH"** Charity ,supporting vulnerable children in "Our" World will be held on Friday 2nd March at 8.30pm in the Town House Hotel in Naas. For further information ph 045-881465.

**Naas Musical Society** Presents Guys and Dolls in The Moat Theatre from 4th-10th March (inclusive). Tickets now on sale, concessions Monday & Tuesday for OAP's and students. Bookings at Moat Box Office, 045 883030.

**Juvenile Girls Football Registration** will take place in the GAA Clubhouse today, Sunday 26th February from 10 o'clock to 12 noon. New members welcome.

**Beekeeping Course**: Free Introductory Course starting in the Naas Community Library. For more details contact Sean at 045 432048 or Colm 045 874378.

**Found**: Engagement Ring found in the Church of Our Lady and St David on Friday. Ph the Parish Office 879730.

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