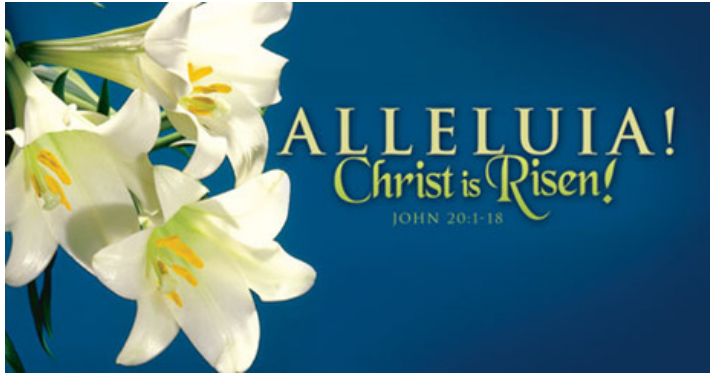


Parish Newsletter

Easter Sunday
27th March 2016

No 1539

John 20:1-9



***This is the day that the Lord has made;
Let us rejoice and be glad in it! Alleluia***

The Eucharist is the very presence of the Risen Lord. In leaving us the Eucharist as he did, Jesus allows us to share in the greatest act of love the world has ever known.

It is from the Eucharist that we receive the grace and strength to live authentic Christian lives, in the joy of knowing that God loves us, that Christ died for us, and that the Holy Spirit lives within us.

Christ's resurrection marks the triumph of good over evil, and victory over suffering and death. It provides a source of hope in its promise of a new and eternal life in God's heavenly kingdom.

And so we pray that during this Easter season the joy of the Risen Christ may radiate from our thoughts, attitudes, deeds and words. By witnessing in this way to the resurrection we share in it as a lived experience with others. As God's people, we trust in his divine love and mercy to breathe new life into everything we do and say filling us with the power of the resurrection, the corner-stone of our faith.

May the joy and peace and love of this Holy Easter Season be with each one of you today and always.

"Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!" (John 1:19)

Divine Mercy Sunday, 3rd April 2016



The Feast of Divine Mercy will be celebrated in the Church of Our Lady and St David, Sallins Road on Sunday 3rd April.

Confessions: 1.30pm to 2.45pm.

Holy Hour: 2pm with Benediction at 2.45pm.

Mass: 3pm commencing with the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy and the Solemn Blessing of Image of the Divine Mercy. Public Veneration of the Image will take place immediately after Mass.

All personal images of Divine Mercy brought to the Church on this day will be blessed.

Easter Weekday Masses for Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House:

From Monday 28th March to Saturday 2nd April, inclusive.

10am Mass only at the Church of Our Lady and St David, Sallins Road, Naas.

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

PRIEST ON DUTY: 085 708 8407

PARISH WEBSITE: www.naasparish.ie

NAAS AND SALLINS PARISH OFFICE Tel 879730 Fax 894287

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Naas eMail naasparishoffice@gmail.com

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Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 1pm

PARISH TEAM

FR. JOHN BRICKLEY Parochial House 897703

FR. LIAM MORGAN Curates House 949576

FR. JOE O'NEILL Sundays well 898866

DN. FERGAL O'NEILL Parish Deacon 086 3816133

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

CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND ST. DAVID , SALLINS ROAD

MASS TIMES

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

CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND ST. DAVID , SALLINS ROAD

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Every First Friday before and after the 10am Mass

Every Saturday after the 10am Mass

RECENT BAPTISMS

Naas:

Avanna Leigh O'Sullivan, Ashgrove Park

Adam Robert Topp, Hunterswood



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.'*

Easter Collection in support of the Priests of the Parish will take place at all Masses this weekend.

Marian Movement Cenacle meets every month in the Church of Our Lady and St David, Sallins Road, after 10am Mass. Next meeting is on Saturday coming, 2nd April. All welcome.

First Friday 1st April: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church of Our Lady and St David,

Sallins Road, after the 10am Mass until 6pm.

Summer Time starts on Sunday morning coming from 2am....remember to put the clock forward by 1 hour.

Church of Our Lady and St David will now remain open until 6pm.

Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind wish to say a sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to their Church Street Collection. A total of €2003.80 was raised for which we are very grateful.

SALLINS NOTICE

Easter Collection in support of the Priests of the Parish will take place at all Masses this weekend.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be suspended on Tuesday coming 29th March.

Date for your Diary.....Sallins Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place on 24th June 2016. Cooleragh/Staplestown Parish will join with Sallins this year for the Pilgrimage. Spiritual Director will be Fr. Jimmy Doyle. For more details phone Rita Fanning on 045 861070 or 087 6536112.

Come join the 23rd Kildare Sallins Scouts Group for a fun family day out on Saturday 2nd April. The

group are hosting a water day where there will be numerous water activities (e.g. canoeing and building of a monkey bridge across the canal) happening along the canal in Sallins.

TWO MILE HOUSE

Easter Dues in support of the Priests of the Parish will take place at all Masses this weekend.

St Peter's Church Two Mile House 225th Anniversary Book are available from Parish Offices, Naas, or from Art at 875618.

Church Gate Collection in support of Camphill Communities take place today Sunday 27th March.

GENERAL NOTICES

Trocaire Boxes may be left into the Sacristy or Parish Offices. **Please do not leave them within the churches/porches.**

Trocaire Boxes delivered to your door with instructions that they will be collected after Lent is not a genuine Trocaire/Parish method of delivery or collection. We ask you please to report any such activity to the Garda on 045 884300 or direct to Trocaire on 01 5053233.

A Night at the Races in support of the Kildare Camogie 2016 at the Naas GAA on Saturday coming, 2nd April at 8pm. To purchase a horse, sponsor a race/raffle or for more information phone Aoife at 085 7267487.

Kildare Down Syndrome present 'The Dublin Welsh Male Voice Choir' for a Choral Evening with local guest choirs on Friday 22nd April at 8pm at the Church of Our Lady and St David, Sallins Road. Tickets from the Parish Office at 879730; Kildare Down Syndrome Office at 045 487584; Cora at 086 0869897; Mary at 087 9772701; Kevin at 087 2540903. All proceeds to Kildare Down Syndrome.

Invitation to Opening of Jubilee Door: Parishioners across the diocese are warmly invited to join Bishop Denis for the opening of the Jubilee Door in St Fintan's Church, Mountrath on Sunday 3rd April, Divine Mercy Sunday. The day begins with Reflections and Prayer at 9.30am in St Fintan's, Clonenagh followed by a Solemn Procession at 10am to arrive for 11.30am Mass.

Naas Access Meeting next public meeting Friday 1st April at 10am at Mc Auley Place Naas. All welcome

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

Our Annual Gold Classic for the Parish Church Restoration Fund will take place on **Friday, 20th May 2016**. 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.

St Luke's Hospital will be holding it's Annual Remembrance Ceremony for families who have been bereaved by the death of their child through miscarriage, still-birth or early infancy death. This ceremony will take place on Wednesday, April 13th in St Fiacre's Church, Loughboy, Kilkenny at 7.30pm. While we issue a special invitation to families who have been bereaved during the past year, this ceremony is for all families who have been bereaved, regardless of how long ago. Refreshments will be available for everyone after the ceremony.

Naas Arch Club is a social club which proves a secure social environment for people with special needs. We meet every Tuesday night, generally in St Mary's College, Naas from 8pm to 10pm. Recent Club activities included pottery classes, Zumba dance, unihoc, School Musical, bowling. We also engage in away activities with a recent 'Irish Night' in Kilcullen. Our club continues to grow and has a membership of over 60 at present. We would love to recruit new Volunteers and can assure anyone who would like to join us that it is a very enjoyable and rewarding pursuit. If interested please contact Orla on 0868070809 or Denis 0857274796.

Naas McAuley Place will be hosting the fantastic Naas Musical Society on April 9th at 8pm. The group are joining us to raise funds for McAuley Place with a variety of songs, medleys and sketches. This event is to raise funds for our Luisne Gardens and to help maintain the running and upkeep of McAuley Place.

Easter Parade takes place today Easter Sunday, at 2.45pm starting from Blessington Road.

Thought for the Week:

Bunnies are cuddly
The large and the small
But I like chocolate ones
The best of them all.

~Author Unknown



Money Matters:

Just to keep you in the picture as to where your contributions go.

Regular Sunday Mass — Two Collections (Naas).

First Collection — Building/Development Fund

This fund is used to service the debt for the restoration of the Church of Our Lady and St David. A share of it is used for maintenance of the Church of the Irish Martyrs and parish houses/offices. Surplus will be used for further development of our parish.

Second Collection, known as the Offertory Collection.

It funds the day to day running of our parish e.g. insurance, heat, lighting, sacramental, offices, grounds, cleaning, security, repairs, diocesan levy, wages (other than priests). The Sunday collection in Sallins and Two Mile House is an offertory collection used for the same purposes, as above, for both parishes.

Special Collections e.g. Mission Sunday, Peter's Pence, Trocaire special appeals, Retired Priests are lodged to our charitable donations account for our three parishes and distributed appropriately.

Clergy Fund:

This is the fund out of which we, the priests, are paid monthly.

The fund consists of:

Christmas Day and Easter Sunday — all monies collected.

Five designated Sundays e.g. Lent, Summer, Autumn. On these Sundays a share of the offertory collection (i.e. whatever is above the average) along with special envelopes.

Offerings for November List of the Dead.

Baptism offerings in full. Wedding offerings less €50 retained by the celebrant of the day.

Standing Orders from those who contribute in this way.

Out of this we are paid monthly: Parish Priest €1,900. Curate €1,750. Upon reaching 65 (if in receipt of state pension) €1,500. Should excess monies remain in the fund they are directed to a central diocesan fund to support priests where the local clergy fund falls short of standard payment. This follows normal practice throughout our diocese.

On this Easter weekend we thank you for your on-going support and generosity which is never taken for granted and always appreciated.

You Could Win €5,250

**On this Wednesday coming, 30th March in Naas Parish Lotto Draw
Simply Buy A €2 Ticket And It Could Be You**

There was no winner of the Jackpot on Wednesday 23rd March; numbers drawn were 17-2-1-18.

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 before the weekly draw. Tickets can also be purchased from various outlets throughout the town

Naas Parish Bingo continues on Tuesday nights at 8.30pm sharp in the Care of the Aged Centre, Newbridge Road with *bigger* Prizes and Jackpot.

All welcome



Parish Finances:

Sallins: Baskets: € 566 Envelopes: € 320

Naas: Offertory: €3,790 Development: €4,385

Two Mile House: € 370

Sports Lottery Results:

Naas: 17/3 (8-18-25-26) No winner, Jackpot €7,600

Sallins: 21/3 (7-21-23) No winner, Jackpot €1,300

Spotto: No Results available