

Parish Newsletter

First Sunday of Advent

29th November 2015

Luke: 21: 25-28

No 1523



come, Let us walk
IN THE LIGHT OF THE LORD
ISAIAH 2:5

ADVENT

We come to the last weekend of November and the weather is grey, dark and damp and yet this weekend we have our first Sunday of Advent. Our journey towards Christmas. Advent is all about waiting, we spend much of our lives waiting. We wait in traffic queues, for checkouts, we wait in Doctor's waiting rooms, we wait in Hospitals.

If we were to add up all the time we spend waiting it would certainly be a lot of our week. At this time of Advent we think of expectant Mothers and Parents who are waiting on their baby's arrival. We think of those who are waiting news from recent tests in hospital or those who wait anxiously, burdened with financial constraints or grieving the loss of a Loved One.

As we wait may we all just take time to light a Candle of Hope to show the light of Christ to those around us. *Happy Advent.*

Prayers from three students in Scoil Bhríde

Holy Trinity,

Full of Love and divinity,

Help me to do what is right,

Help me to love,

Help me to grow,

Help me to make decisions.

Be my light through the dark of night.

Amen.

By Olivia, 6th Class Muinteoir Gerard.

Holy Trinity,

Full of love and divinity

Help me to do what is right,

Help me to grow,

Help me to know,

Help me to start a new road

Guide me through the journey of life

To carry others that need some light

And to love others the way you love me

Thank you Father, Son and Holy Spirit

Amen.

By Claudia 6th Class Muinteoir Gerard.

Holy Trinity,

Full of Love and divinity,

Help me to do what is right,

Be my light in the dark of night

Help me avoid temptations

And deal with difficult situations

Show love without reason

Through every season

Amen

BY Anna, 6th Class Muinteoir Gerard.

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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PARISH TEAM

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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:

Monday 30th: Ss Andrew Apostle

Thursday 3rd December: St Francis Xavier

Friday 4th: St John Damascene, priest and doctor of the Church

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

Naas: Sean Dunne, Fr. Murphy Place

MAY HE REST IN PEACE



RECENT BAPTISMS

Naas:

Fionn Greg Logue, Alder Grove

Odin Burkatskyi O'Neill, Cois Na Feadain

Charlie Tom Goff, Monread Road

Eilear Brigid Slane, Kerdiff Park

Aoibhinn Rose Morrissey, Alder Grove

Alice Georgi O'Sullivan, Lakelands

Matthew John Plummer, Mullacash

Nathan John Plummer, Mullacash

For those requesting the Sacrament of Baptism two weeks notice is required. For further details of Baptisms in Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House Parish website 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.'*

Advent Station Collection in support of the Priests of the Parish takes place at all Masses this weekend, 28th /29th November.

Advent Preparation for Christmas: You are invited to pray and study the Advent Sunday Readings on each Tuesday during Advent continuing on Tuesday coming 1st December in the Parish Meeting Rooms, Sallins Rd, (behind Veritas shop) after 10am Mass. All are most welcome.

First Friday 4th December

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation in the Church of Our Lady and St David on Thursday after 10am Mass and Friday, 9.30am—10am and after 10am Mass.

Wednesday Morning Cuppa is now happening in the room at the back of the Church (Old Mortuary) every Wednesday morning after 10am Mass. All welcome to join us for a cuppa and a chat.

Christmas Mass Bouquet Cards are now available from the Parish Offices.

Parish Office is now open on Saturday's from 10am to 1pm to facilitate with Mass Cards, **only**.

Thank You to a kind donor who recently made a generous contribution to our Parish Building/Development Fund.

Songs of Praise Concert presented by Ballycane Church Choir, on tonight Sunday 29th November from 6.30pm to 8pm. Admission is free. (Donations welcome). The concert will consist of hymns and songs we love to sing throughout the year. All are welcome to come and enjoy.

Prayer Service for the safe return of Trevor Deely and all missing persons takes place on Friday coming 4th December at 8.15pm in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. All are welcome.

Marian Movement Cenacle meets every month in the Church of Our Lady and St David, Sallins Road, after the 10am Mass. Next meeting is on Saturday coming, 5th December. All welcome.

An Afternoon of Reflection takes place on Sunday 6th December at 2.30pm in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane with Holy Hour, Rosary, Anointing of the Sick and concluding with Holy Mass. Conducted by Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill, (Vocations Director). Refreshments during break. St. Josephs Young Priest Society. All welcome.

Coeliac Hosts: We would like to remind you that low gluten hosts are available for distribution at every Mass in all Churches. If you need to receive a low gluten host, come forward to the sanctuary at Communion time.

Live Streaming of Services Please note that all services in the Church of Our Lady and St. David are broadcast live to the internet.

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

Winter Closing Time the Church of Our Lady and St. David closes at 5pm.

SALLINS NOTICE

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday coming 1st December from 10.30am —11am.

Confessions available in Sallins every Thursday from 2pm to 4pm.

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GENERAL NOTICE

Parish Finances:

Sallins: Baskets: €766 Envelopes €330
Naas: Offertory: €3,642 Development €4,028
Two Mile House: €651

Sports Lottery Results

Naas: 19/11 (4-14-19-20) No winner, Jackpot €5,200
Sallins: 23/11 (10-17-19) No winner, Jackpot €1,750
NaasUnited:23/11 (1-4-20-27) No winner, Jackpot €3,000

Samuel Circle consists of a group of men from this diocese who meet once a month with the Vocations director Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill to explore a vocation to priesthood. If you would like to join the group or learn more about it, contact Fr. Ruairi at 045 897470 or ruairiodomhnaill@gmail.com

An Evening of Music & Song Charity Concert in aid of Cancer Care, Crumlin Hospital, featuring the Big C Choir takes place on Friday 11th December at 8pm in St. Josephs Church, Caragh. Tickets €10 on Sale from the Parish Office, Naas.

Naas Library free Nutritional Talk on Tuesday coming 1st December at 7pm, booking required, phone 045/879111. **Christmas Craft Fair** on Friday/Saturday 11th/12th during Library Opening Hours. All welcome.

Nás na Rí Singers Christmas concert on Sunday 6th December 8pm in the Church of Our Lady and St Joseph, Caragh, promoting their Christmas CD 'Rejoice and be Merry', recorded on behalf of the Friends of Naas Hospital, with the choir of Scoil Bhríde, Naas. CDs are available from the Parish Office, Sallins Road. Tickets for Concert and CDs also on sale at Barker and Jones.

Lost Hearing Aid on Sallins Road recently, phone Parish office at 045 879730 if found.

TWO MILE HOUSE

Two-Mile-House National School Annual Cake Sale takes place in the School Hall on Friday morning coming 4th December from 10am to 12:30. We welcome all parishioners, family and friends to come along and support the National School.

Naas Parish Lotto Draw

€1,500 that's the Jackpot in the Next Draw on Wednesday coming 2nd December

No Winner, of the Jackpot on Wednesday last 25th November.

Numbers drawn were 19 – 1 – 24 – 4.

The Parish would like to sincerely thank all those who worked so hard to sell tickets in these very difficult economic times and we hope people will continue to support us into the future. After a very successful year, our Parish Lotto continues into 2016 commencing on Wednesday 9th December 2015.

If you think you could even sell a couple of tickets, on a weekly basis, to your friends, family or neighbours please contact the Parish Office on the Sallins Road, or the draw Office in The Church of the Irish Martyrs Ballycane, or further information can be had from the Draw Secretary on 086 1635994.

Tickets cost €2 each: or an Annual Membership costing €90. You can also pay by Standing Order where €8 per month will be deducted from your bank account. For information contact either of the Parish Offices.

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!!*

Name: _____

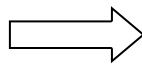
Address: _____

Contact Number: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

Please choose four numbers between 1 and 28

(inclusive) and write them in the boxes. Your chosen numbers will be included in all weekly draws for one year.



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Christmas Concert with Celine Byrne and Guests Featuring



Norah King and Niamh O' Sullivan, Mezzo Sopranos, The Millicent Singers conducted by Alan Kelly, Dearbhla Brosnan - Piano, Lynda O'Connor - Violin, Ailbhe McDonagh - Cello. MC on the night will be Leo Nulty. Concert on **Saturday 19th December at 8pm**. Tickets now on sale €15, from Parish Office Sallins Road, phone 879730 and Ballycane Office, phone 895629, Veritas and Barker & Jones. Fantastic seasonal music, songs and entertainment. Proceeds to Naas Parish Church Restoration Fund. (Also supporting Naas Care of the Aged). For Parishioners who have left their names in the Parish Office for tickets please call in and collect same at your earliest convenience.

Veritas Shop, Sallins Road have a large range of Cribbs, Crib figures, Church Art Calendars, Children's Books, Seasonal Candles and other gift ideas. Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 9am to 5.30pm and Saturday 10am to 5pm. Phone 045 856882.

Ballymore Eustace Drama Group Present 'It's the real McCoy' by Mommy Marren from Thursday 3rd to Friday 5th December at 8pm in the Band Hall, Ballymore Eustace. For bookings phone 087 2575332.