



Mass Times: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

<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

^{*}The 7.30 pm Mass on Wednesday is celebrated in the Church of Our Lady and St David, Naas

Catholic Schools Week, 30th January – 5th February

This week we enter into Catholic Schools Week. It is an opportunity for everyone involved in Catholic education to acknowledge and celebrate the contribution that our Catholic schools make to Irish life. The Irish Bishops outlined in 2006;

"Our experience tells us that the faith of children is best nourished when home, school, and parish work together in partner-ship. Firstly, and most importantly, children learn about faith in the home. Their faith is supported in the school and by the hard work of teachers and chaplains, and by both priests and people in the wider parish community."

This is the third year that we have marked this special week across the island of Ireland. The aim of Catholic Schools Week is to create a space where we can proudly articulate and celebrate our ethos and identity. There is no doubt that the landscape around education in Ireland is changing. However the evidence shows that the vast majority of parents still want their children to be educated in Catholic schools. This poses a big challenge to those who are involved in Catholic education at all levels. During this week we encourage parents to take time to reflect on what it means to have your child as part of a Catholic school community, and to consider how you can support the work being done in your child's Catholic school.

St. Brigid's Day, 1st February

After the harshness of the past few months, on Tuesday next, the 1st of February, we start into what has traditionally been noted as the start of Springtime! The indications of Spring are here; the snowdrops and the stretch in the evenings! We celebrate Brigid, a woman who lived the Gospel in such a profound way. May we be inspired by her life and try to follow her example of love and service in our own lives.



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PARISH OFFICE, NAAS

(Sallins Road): Ph 879730; Fax 894287

Opening Hours: Mon-Fri 10am-5pm

Wed: 10am-1pm: Lunch 1-2pm

BALLYCANE OFFICE: Ph 895629

Opening Hours: Mon-Fri 10am-1pm

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Opening Hours; Tuesday & Thursday

10am to 1pm

SACRISTY, Church of Our Lady and St David:

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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:

James (Jim) Collins, Patrician Crescent Vera Grey, St Corbans Place

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY WELCOMES YOU WITH GREAT JOY!

Christopher William Hayden, Oakfield Hgts
Laylor Mia Travers Walsh, Millbrook Court
Vann James Doran, Johnstown

Séan Patrick Ginty, Kilcullen

Luke C Ryan, Dún na Riogh Ave

Alex William Ollie Nelson, Oldbridge Close

Tiffany Martina McDonagh, Millbank

Cormac Séan Quinn, Kingsfurze Avenue

Amber Ruffley Sayers, Ashgrove Park

THE 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

Parish Finances:

Sallins: Baskets: € 772

Envelopes: € 426

Naas: Development Fund: €3,984

Offertory: €4,233

Two Mile House: € 668

Grateful thanks to all who support our collections.

GAA Lotto:

Sallins: 24/01 Jackpot €1,450: No winner: Numbers 1-18-24: Venue 31/01:railway Inn: Jackpot €1,600

Naas: 20/01 Jackpot €5,300: No winner: Numbers:

6-8-13-14 Next weeks' Jackpot €5, 450 Splotto / Ballycane Celtic: No Draw

All Masses and Services in Naas Parish can be heard on the Radio at 107.3FM

Did you know that you can now read the current parish newsletter as well as back issues online??? Just log on to www.naasparish.ie click on "current parish newsletter" or "parish newsletter past issues."

FEAST AND MEMORIAL DAYS DURING THE COMING WEEK:

Monday 31st: St John Bosco, priest

Tuesday 1st: St Brigid, Abbess, Secondary Patron of Ireland Wednesday 2nd: The Presentation of the Lord...(Candlemas Day)

Thursday 3rd: St Blaise, bishop and martyr......The <u>Blessing of Throats</u>

will take place after all Masses in Sallins and Naas.

Saturday 5th: St Agatha, virgin and martyr

Sallins Parish News

Candlemas Dues Collection takes place at all Masses this weekend, 29th/30th January.

<u>Catholic Schools Week</u> commences today, Sunday 30th January. Elaine Mahon, Lecturer in St Patrick's Training College, Drumcondra will speak at the 10am and 12noon Masses today on 'The Role of the Catholic School'

Feast of St Brigid on Tuesday coming; blessing of crosses will take place at the 10am Mass.

<u>Presentation of Our Lord/Candlemas Day</u> on Wednesday coming, candles for use in the Church or at Home will be blessed during the 10am Mass.

First Friday, 4th February. The sick/housebound will be visited on Thursday coming, 3rd Feb.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction as usual on Friday coming, 4th February at 7.30pm.

The Sallins Conference of St Vincent de Paul can be contacted at 085-7052294.

<u>Sallins Annual Pilgrimage</u> to <u>Lourdes</u> takes place from 26th June to 3rd July....7 nights full board. Spiritual Directors: Fr Tom McDonnell and Fr Colum Swan. Further details/bookings contact Rita at 045/861070.

Naas Parish News

<u>February Collection for the Priests of the Parish</u> takes place at all Masses on the 5th/6th February.

Marian Movement Cenacle meets every month in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane at 10.20am. Next meeting, Saturday 5th February. All welcome. St Brigid's Crosses available in the Parish Office. Parish Pastoral Council; Meeting takes place in the Parish Meeting Rooms, Sallins Road, on Thursday next, 3rd of February, at 8.15pm.

World Youth Day: Takes place in Madrid during August this year. This is an international event where the pope invites the young people of the world to join him in a week celebrating their faith. We have six people from Naas representing us at the event. In order to help with fundraising, some of them will speak at masses next weekend (5th and 6th of February). If you wish to contribute to defray costs, you will have an opportunity to do so after masses next weekend. We wish the group well and keep them in prayer during their preparations for the pilgrimage.

FIRST FRIDAY 4th January 2011

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 4pm.

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:

Penetintial Service will be incorporated in the 7.30pm Mass on Friday 5th.

Communion to the Housebound
Fr Jimmy Doyle, Fr Brickley, Fr Paul
Dempsey, Fr Bogdan and Fr Lennon will visit
the housebound as usual.

Candles for Home use and Church use for blessing on Candlemas Day available from Veritas Shop.

Fr Jimmy Doyle

On the advise of his doctors Fr Jimmy has submitted his resignation from active ministry in the diocese. Monsignor Byrne, the Diocesan Administrator, has accepted his resignation which will take place on next weekend, 5/6th February.

Fr Jimmy has served in the Naas area on two occasions: Firstly from 1995 to 2000 as a curate in Naas Parish and secondly in Naas from 2003 to 2006 and in the group of parishes from 2006—todate. We thank him for all his work and commitment over the years and wish him well in his retirement. We hope he will enjoy good health for the years ahead. He will be leaving Sallins but will continue to live in the Naas area.

Luckily a Kiltegan missionary priest has expressed an interest in coming to work in this group of parishes and will meet with the other priests shortly. We look forward to seeing him in the near future.

Naas Continued:

<u>Naas Intermediate Camogie Team</u> are looking for new players of all skill levels to join their successful intermediate team. Please contact Nora 0879688153 or Sinead 087 9399644 for more details.

<u>The 4th Kildare Scout Group Naas</u> would like to thank everybody who supported their recent Flag Days , and thanks also to parents who volunteered to collect.

Naas Local History Group— On Tuesday coming 1st February the Annual St Brigid's Cross making demonstration in Naas Community Library Tues, 1st Feb at 3pm; Also the Ger Kinchella Memorial Talk "Naas by Lamplight" in the Naas Library on Tuesday 1st February 7.45pm. All welcome.

Naas CBS Annual Table Quiz, venue Naas GAA Friday 4th February at 8.30pm. Fantastic Raffle Prize for all ticket holders -- 2 weeks for 2 adults and 2 children at Sunset Beach Club Costa del Sol!! (Accommodation Only). All welcome. Tickets also available at 087-9241283.

<u>Naas Flower Garden Club</u> next meeting Monday <u>31st</u> January at 7.45pm in the Teagasc Centre, Friary Rd. <u>Kildare Down Syndrome's</u> 3rd Valentine's fundraiser Dinner Dance in aid of their Speech Therapy Programme takes place on Saturday 12th February in the Osprey Hotel, Naas. For tickets contact Kildare Down Syndrome office 045-487584 or Cora 086-0869897

Two Mile House Parish News

<u>Catholic Schools Week;</u> Today we acknowledge and celebrate the contribution of our local Catholic school to the community here in TMH. We thank management, staff, parents and pupils and all those who give of their time and effort to make it a very special place where the faith is passed on to the next generation. **On Tuesday morning next, St. Brigid's Day, at 9.15a.m.,** we will have a liturgy in St. Peter's Church, to celebrate the faith aspect of our school. All are welcome to come along.

Two Mile House GAA; The annual Car Draw has been launched. Tickets are €100. Your support is much appreciated. More information from Paddy Casey at 086 8108822

<u>Faith Friends Programme for Confirmation</u>; We started the programme last week and it continues this Tuesday, the 1st February, in Killashee School Hall, at 8pm **sharp**. All Confirmation candidates are to attend. Parents are reminded to collect their children at 9pm sharp. We thank all the leaders who have given of their time to run this programme.

<u>Blessing of Throats</u>; on <u>Friday</u>, 4th February, after the 7pm Mass in St. Peter's Church, Two Mile House.

General Notices

<u>Annual Memorial Mass</u> for deceased Civilian Employees of the Defence Forces take place on Friday, 4th February at 10am in St Brigid's Church, Curragh Camp.

<u>Newbridge/Kildare</u> <u>Branch</u> <u>of Samaritans</u> are seeking volunteers and are holding two information nights on Wed/Thur, 9th/10th February at 3 McElwain Tce, Newbridge at 8pm,(opposite Newbridge Parish Centre)