

Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House

Summer Newsletter

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) 3rd July 2011

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Summer Weekly Mass Schedule

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 7.30a.m. 10a.m. | 7.30am 10am 10am Sallins | 7.30am 10am | 7.30am 10am 10am Sallins | 7.30am 10am | 10am 11am (Ballycane) |
| 7.30pm (Ballycane) | No Evening Mass | 7.30pm (Parish Church) | No Evening Mass | 7pm (TMH) | |

Please note: The Saturday Evening and Sunday Mass Schedule is as usual.

Faith & Reason

It is fashionable today to scoff at people of faith. There is a new, aggressive form of atheism on the rise in the West. Many dismiss believers as “childish.” Their mission is to make believers see “reason,” to free themselves of their dependence on a non-existent God. This kind of attitude shouldn’t surprise us. Jesus encountered it in his day as well. The so-called “learned and the clever” could not accept Jesus’ message. They rejected it and they rejected him also. They scoffed at those who followed him.

But Jesus says not to put heed in these “learned and clever” ones. He says that the mind can easily become arrogant, self-important, bullying, and dismissive. In order to be able to accept his message, one needs an open mind and an open heart.

But that does not mean there is anything anti-intellectual about being a person of faith. Some of the greatest minds in history, from Augustine to Thomas Aquinas to John Henry Newman, have been believers. What they had also is a *child-like* trust in the Lord, an awareness that before God all the knowledge and reason in the world don’t amount to very much. That is the attitude we are all called to have.

THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY WELCOMES YOU WITH GREAT JOY!

Naas:

Isabel Sarah O’Gorman, Oldtown Demesne
Ross Gerard Flanagan, Oakglade Close
Roddy Jonathan Cummins, Mountain Vw
Ryan John Mullins, Portarlinton
Jack Richard Malone, Dun na Riogh Gn
Lotanna Chikelu Ugwoke, Aylmer Park
Benjamin Thomas Mooney, Oldtown Hgts
Naomi Belle Weir, Esmondale
Shane Patrick Kelly, Aylmer Park
Euan Brendan Kenny, Millbridge Way



THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

For those requesting the Sacrament of Baptism two weeks notice is required. More details from the Parish website; www.naasparish.ie

FINANCE:

Sallins: Envelopes: €331 Baskets: €732
Naas: Development Fund: €3,595
Offertory: €3,659
Two Mile House: € 447

Eucharistic Candle: Oh, the excitement of waiting for Christmas! My mother always insisted on the old tradition of showing a welcome sign in the window - the lit candle - just in case the holy family might be passing. The worst thing that could happen to us, was that they might come along and, finding no welcome, might pass us by. Look at the candles we have placed before our altars, throughout the parish. Jesus welcomes us to his table, but sometimes we stand between the table and other people. Are we ready to welcome others? Are we ready to be the light to bring others to the table? Will we make next year the biggest celebration of welcome and belonging in the whole world?

FEAST AND MEMORIAL DAYS DURING THE COMING WEEK:

Monday 4th: St Elizabeth of Portugal
Tuesday 5th: St Anthony Zaccaria, priest
Wednesday 6th: St Maria Goretti, virgin and martyr
Friday 8th: St Kilian, bishop and martyr

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

SUMMER WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE in the parishes of Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House commences from tomorrow, Monday 4th July. The summer schedule is on the front page of the newsletter.

"THOSE WHO DIE IN GRACE GO BUT TO GOD

AND GOD IS VERY NEAR"

Declan Berney, Silliot Hill, Kilcullen

MAY HE REST IN PEACE



GAA Lotto Results:

Sallins :

27/06 (5-7-21). No Winner. Jackpot €4,000

Naas:

24/06 (11-15-16-24) No Winner!! Jackpot: €12,700

Copies of the Diocesan Newsletter are available in the church porches. It contains information on the New Translation of the Roman Missal and the International Congress 2012. Please take a copy.

SALLINS:

Weekday Masses on Tuesday and Thursday only at 10am with effect from this coming week.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction on Friday coming, 8th July at 7.45pm.

Auction and Raffle in aid of Sallins Lourdes Fund takes place on Thursday 14th July in Flanagan's Mill at 9pm. Donations very welcome to Rita at 045 861070 or Martin at 045 885966.

Sallins Conference of St Vincent de Paul may be contacted at 085 7052294.

NAAS:

SUMMER COLLECTION FOR PRIESTS OF THE PARISH takes place at all masses this weekend.

Cemetery Mass in St Corban's Cemetery takes place on Wednesday 17th August at 7.30pm (there will be **no** evening mass in the Parish Church on this evening). A reminder to attend to family graves during the summer.

NAAS AND TWO MILE HOUSE PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES from 16th to 22nd August . Cost €760, full board. Bookings through Abbey Travel at 045 897756

GENERAL:

Engaged Couples Course: next available course will take place on the 12th and 13th August 2011. Courses are held in the meeting rooms at the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. Application Forms from the Parish Office, Sallins Road; phone 045 879730.

Lough Derg: 3 Day Pilgrimage will take place from 8th-10th July. For details phone Michael at 045-526830 or 087 6697902.

Medjugorje Youth Festival 2011 from July 31st to August 7th. A new spiritual experience of Faith, Fun, Friendship. Cost €629, JWT half Board. Contact Michael 087 2497617.

Open Day at the Animal Foundation, South Green Road, Kildare on Sunday next 10th July from 12noon.

Clonmacnois Youth Festival takes place from Thursday 4th to Sunday 7th August for young people aged 16-35. Donation only; Free buses available; for more info phone 085 8289231 or 01 6753690 or book online: www.youth2000.ie

Nás na Ríogh Housing Assoc is pleased to say it has welcomed the first Tenants to the Apartments at McAuley Place and many more are scheduled to take up residence in the coming weeks. A number of apartments are still available to rent and it is the policy of NnRHA to give priority to the people of Naas and surrounding areas. Viewing available on Mondays and Fridays from 10am to 12.30pm or by phoning 087 0997323.

"JOBSEEKERS: Naas Local Employment Service offers a free service to job seekers who are unemployed and in receipt of a social welfare payment, one parent families, early school leavers, people finishing a CE scheme and dependent spouses. For more information contact Eugene at Unit 5, Rathasker Square, Naas phone 045 895555.