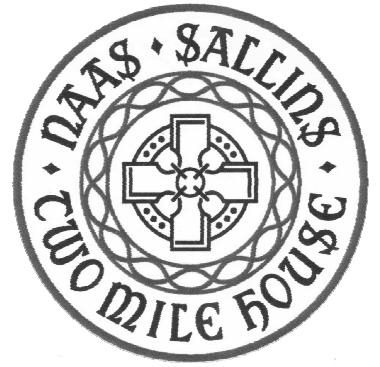


Parish Newsletter

Fifth Sunday of Easter
3rd May 2015

John 15: 1- 8

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in the church. Mary is, in fact and faith, Mother of the Church, so let us share her joy in her risen Son by humming, as we go along, the May favourite:

“O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today, Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May”.

I Am the vine. ‘You are the branches’.

Our Easter celebration continues, even as nature, bursting out in colour and song, shares and expresses our inner joy. Equally, we are reminded that we are all interconnected to each other and all God’s creation, in Christ.

We are also now in Mary’s Month of May and should ask her to deepen our sense of being one family of faith and hope

Entwined in her Son and each other through our Eucharistic living, may our joy be contagious! Happy Easter Season and Happy Mary’s May.

God Bless.

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Today we continue our reflection on children, the greatest blessing which God has bestowed on man and woman. I wish to focus our attention on the suffering which many children are experiencing. From the first moments of their lives, some are rejected, abandoned, and robbed of their infancy and future. There are those who say it is a mistake to bring these children into the world, due to their fragility, and the hunger and poverty they suffer. But children are never a mistake, and their sufferings are only reasons for us to love them even more. Every child who begs on the streets, who is denied an education or medical care, is a cry to God. Too often, these children become prey to criminals, who exploit them for commerce or violence. Even in wealthy countries, they suffer due to family crises and living conditions which are at times inhumane. In every case, their childhood is violated in body and soul. How did Jesus respond to the children and their parents who brought them to him: “Let the children come to me... for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven” (Mt 19:14). *How beautiful the trust of these parents, and the response of Jesus! And there are many extraordinary parents who daily make sacrifices for their children. The Church offers her maternal care to all children and their families, and she brings them the blessing of Jesus. May we always care for our children, not counting the cost, so that they may never believe themselves to be mistakes, but always know their infinite worth.*

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DN. FERGAL O'NEILL Parish Office 879730

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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 4th: St Conleth, bishop.

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

Brigid Andrews, Mullacash.

Aidan Shirley, Mill Lane

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



RECENT BAPTISMS

Naas:

Ava Grace Doherty Cody, Jigginstown Park

Lauren Ellen Callaghan, Morell Close

Alice May Kavanagh Woods, The Gallops

Lily Josephine Galvin, Kilashee View

Brian Michael Rushe, Oldbridge Station

James Patrick Corcoran Doyle, Railway Terrace

Lena Szymanska, Millbridge Way

Leon Adam Limanski, Aylmer Park



For those requesting the Sacrament of Baptism two weeks notice is required. For further details see our website at www.naasparish.ie/sacraments/baptism

NAAS PARISH NEWS

Mass Change, tomorrow Monday 4th May there will be No 7.30am Mass.

Ministers of the Sick are requested to return their Pyx as soon as possible, to either the Sacristan at the Church OLSD or the Parish Office as they are required for the following week-end.

Coeliac Catholics: 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.

The Parish Office is now open on Saturday's from 10am to 5pm to facilitate with Mass Cards, only.

Naas Local History Group history walk to 'St Corbans and Maudlins Cemeteries' on Tuesday coming 5th May. Meet St Corbans Cemetery at 7.30pm. All welcome

Naas Active Retirement Association members only meeting on Wednesday coming 6th May at 2pm in Naas Community Centre.

Naas Tidy Towns next Clean Up on Thursday coming 7th May from 7.30pm to 8.30pm. Meet at The DeBurgh Estate Entrance /Topaz Garage, Sallins Road. If you would like to be involved just turn up on the night. Litter pickers and gloves provided. More details, phone Vourneen 086 813 8821.

Arthritis Ireland's Kildare Branch information event with Professor Gerry Wilson, 'Working On A Cure' and Kildare's local consultant rheumatologist Dr. Ronan Mullan on Arthritis and Fibromyalgia on Thursday coming 7th May at 7.30pm at the Osprey Hotel. Free admission. All welcome!

St Vincent de Paul helpline number 045 897306.

SALLINS PARISH NEWS

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament continues on Tuesday coming 5th May from 10.30am—11am.

Lourdes 2015, 40th Anniversary travelling on Friday 12th June for 7 nights. A few extra seats have now become available. Bookings ph Rita 087 6535112.

Sallins Conference of St Vincent de Paul contact phone number is 085 7052294.

Volunteers urgently required for Vincents Shop Waterways, Sallins. If you could give 3-4 hours per week we would be most grateful. Phone 852928 or call into shop for more information.

St Vincent de Paul helpline number 045 897306

TWO MILE HOUSE PARISH NEWS

Congratulations to our Confirmation Class and all students, who shared their 'Money Gifts' with the Irish Cancer Society to whom they donated €2,213.20 last week.

GENERAL NOTICE

Parish Finances:

Sallins: Baskets: €705 Envelopes €435
Naas: Offertory: €3,657 Development €3,238
Two Mile House: €600

Sports Lottery Results

Naas: 23/4 (4-10 -17-26) No winner, Jackpot €1,600
Sallins: 27/4 (7-28-33) No winner, Jackpot €2,050
Naas United 27/4 (2-7-11-26) No winner Jackpot €3,000

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help continues tomorrow Monday 4th May at 7.30pm St. Conleth's Church, Newbridge and will conclude on Monday 8th June. Guest speakers will be in attendance each night. Theme **"Keep the Faith!"**

Trócaire has launched an emergency appeal in response to the earthquake and has requested the support of the public to raise money to deliver aid to those who need it. Donations can be made at trocaire.org or by phoning 1850 408 408. **Trócaire** committed an initial €100,000 to the Nepal emergency response. The organisation's response is focused on getting shelter, food and water to people left homeless as a result of last Saturday's devastating earthquake.

Trocaire Boxes can still be left into the Sacristy or the Parish Office, Sallins Road. **Please Do Not leave them in the church/porches.** Thank You.

Darkness into Light: Naas Darkness into Light Walk takes place at Naas Racecourse on the morning of May 9th starting at 4.15 am. Travelling to the venue by car you can only enter the Racecourse from the Dublin Road. To register visit www.darknessintolight.ie

Thank You to all who collected and contributed to the recent collection for Special Olympics Naas which raised €4.211.

Naas GAA Congratulations to our U14 hurlers who won the county Division 1 Féile final last weekend.

Moat Theatre John MacKenna's latest play 'Lucinda Sly' on Thursday coming 7th May at 8pm.

Brian Brady Youth Theatre presents 'Wizard of Oz' from 13th to 17th May at 7pm each evening at the Moat Theatre. For bookings phone 883030.

McAuley Bridge Club continues on Fridays at 1.15pm sharp. All welcome.

Lough Derg Pilgrimage Season opens Saturday coming 2nd May with *One Day Retreats* which continue on 3, 4, 9, 10, 12, 16, 17, 19, 23, 25, 25 of May. Advance booking essential. Phone Lough Derg office on 071 9861518 or email info@loughderg.org

The Big C Choir would like to thank all who supported their Concert in Blessington on Friday 24th of April, especially their special guests, the sponsors and all who attended and contributed to an excellent evening of music and song. The event raised in excess of €9,000 towards cancer research and further donations can still be made to the event through the Big C Choir Bank Account at EBS, Naas. The Big C Choir is already planning their next event for this very worthy cause.

You Could Win €8,000

On this Wednesday coming, 6th May in Naas Parish Lotto Draw Simply Buy A €2 Ticket And It Could Be You

There was no winner of the Jackpot on Wednesday 29th April. Numbers drawn were: 1-4-5-26.

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, Sallins Road before 3pm for the weekly draw.

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!!*

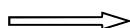
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Email: _____

**Please choose four numbers between 1 and 28
(inclusive) and write them in the boxes**



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Our Annual Golf Classic for the Parish Church Restoration Fund

will take place on Monday, 15th June in Craddockstown Golf Club. 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.



Parish/Diocesan Pilgrimages

Medjugorje Annual Parish Pilgrimage takes place from Wednesday 27th May for 7 nights. Cost of Pilgrimage €659. Booking deposit €100. Phone John/Catherine at 086 8563773. Spiritual Director: Fr. Seamus McEntee.

Padre Pio Pilgrimage to Benevento-San Giovanni from 3rd to 10th August, €879, pps. To book or for more information Contact Brendan on 087 6349103. Spiritual Director: Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill.

Naas and Two Mile House Pilgrimage to Lourdes travelling on Wednesday 2nd September for 5 nights, staying at Hotel Padoue. Cost €739 per person sharing. Deposit €100. Bookings at the Parish Office, Sallins Road. Spiritual Director: Fr. John Brickley.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land departing on Wednesday, 16th September for 9 Nights. Spiritual Director: Rev Mgr John Byrne. Please contact Tully's Travel Ltd, 137 Tullow Street, Carlow for further information email: www.tullys.ie or phone 059 913610.