



NAAS SALLINS TWO MILE HOUSE NEWSLETTER



Mass Times: Second Sunday of Advent (Year C) Gospel: Luke 3: 1-6

<u>Church</u>	<u>Weekdays</u>		<u>Sundays</u>
Our Lady and St David, Naas	Mon - Fri 7.30am, 10am	Saturday 10am.	Saturday Vigil: 6pm Sunday 8.30am, 10am, 12noon, 6pm.
Irish Martyrs, Ballycane, Naas	Mon - Fri 7.30pm	Saturday 11am	Saturday Vigil: 7.30pm 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

Naas Parish Pastoral Council



A number of months ago the parishioners of Naas nominated people to represent them on the new Parish Pastoral Council. We were delighted with the response! Since then, the people nominated, have undergone a course of information and formation. Today (Sunday) at the 10am Mass in Our Lady and St. David's, the new Parish Pastoral Council will be commissioned for service in our parish. The task of the Council is to work with the priests and is summed up in their Vision Statement;

“The Catholic Parish of Naas, in Communion with Christ and with one another and guided by the teachings of the Second Vatican Council, endeavours to welcome, serve and nourish the whole community.”

The Council is made up of the five priests and the following members; Trevor MacNamara (Chairperson), Grace Keevans (Vice Chairperson), Marie Reilly (Secretary), Breda Doyle (Assistant Secretary), Willie McNellis, Sr. Maureen Ryan, Paddy Culligan, Ann-Marie Egan, Marianne Lawler, Caroline Quinn, Seamus Morahan, Josephine O’Connell, Tony Dolan, Geraldine Faherty, John Leamy, Mairead Darcy, Fergal O’Neill.

As we reflect upon the ministry of John the Baptist today, the one who “prepared the way for the Lord,” may the new Parish Pastoral Council be guided and inspired by the same Spirit to “prepare the way of the Lord” in our own parish during these challenging times for our Church and Society.



Thought for the Week

**“If wrinkles must be written upon our brow, let them not be written upon the heart.
The spirit should not grow old.”**

James A. Garfield.

Naas-Sallins-Two Mile House-Parish Team

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Fr P.J. Madden Curates House, Naas Ph: 045 897260
Fr Declan Thompson Sallins Ph 045 897150
Fr. Paul Dempsey Two Mile House Ph: 045 876160
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Priest on Duty:
Fr Paul Dempsey: Ph 045 876160

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

SALLINS OFFICE: Ph 897150

Opening Hours: Tuesday & Thursday
10am to 1pm

SACRISTY, Church of Our Lady and St David:
(during Mass times) Ph: 856925

SACRISTY, Church of the Irish Martyrs:
Ph: 895629

Confessions:

Every Saturday after the 10am Mass in the Church of
Our Lady and St David, Sallins Road.

Every Saturday after the 11am Mass in the Church of
The Irish Martyrs, Ballycane.

Parish Website: www.naasparish.ie

Naas Parish Email: naasparishoffice@gmail.com

Sallins Parish Email: sallinsparishoffice@gmail.com

Diocesan Website: kandle.ie

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. Ph 045 879730.

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

NAAS:

James Gunning, Alderwood Court
Bertie O’Sullivan, Patrician Avenue
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



**THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY WELCOMES
YOU WITH GREAT JOY!**

Naas:

Aaron Callaghan O’Keeffe, Patrician Ave
Filip John Connerney, Oakglade Hall
Fíne Gillian Quinn, Kingsfurze Ave
Fionn Henry Nolan, Arconagh
Elizabeth Marie Walsh, The Paddocks
Nina T Holloway, Jigginstown Green

Sallins:

James Joseph O’Brien, Straffan Way
Eve Rose O’Flynn, Sallins Bridge

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

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

www.naasparish.ie



GAA Lotto:

Sallins: 3/12 Jackpot €1,150; Numbers 22-24-29; No
winner; Venue 10/12 The Mill; Jackpot €1,300

Naas: 29/11 Jackpot €5,950; Numbers 6-11-15-19; No
winner: Next weeks’ Jackpot €6,100.

Splotto/Ballycane Celtic: 2/12 Numbers 8-14-21-27
No Winner: Jackpot 9/12 €6,000

Naas United FC: 2/12 Numbers: 5-7-12-13; No winner
Jackpot 9/12 €3,000 Re-start Jackpot €3,000

FEAST & MEMORIAL DAYS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

Wednesday 12th: St Finnian, bishop
Thursday 13th: St Lucy, virgin and martyr
Friday 14th: St John of the Cross, Priest
and doctor of the Church.

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.”

Parish Finances:

<u>Sallins:</u>	Baskets:	€ 342
	Envelopes:	€ 733
<u>Naas:</u>	Offertory:	€3,003
	Development Fund:	€3,642
<u>Two Mile House:</u>		€ 606

Sallins Parish News

Eucharistic Devotion takes place on Tuesday morning between 10.30am and 11.30am.

Sallins Conference of St Vincent de Paul are holding their annual collection this weekend, 8th and 9th December. The Conference contact phone number is 085 7052294.

Naas Parish News

Apostolic Work Society next meeting takes place on Tuesday coming, 11th December at 7pm in the Naas Community Centre, Sallins Road.

St Joseph's Young Priest Society next meeting Thursday coming, 13th December at 8pm in the Parish Centre, Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. Adoration from 8pm to 9.30pm.

All welcome.

Christmas Flowers for the Church. We would be grateful for donations of flowers (red) and poinsettias for the decoration of the church for Christmas. These can be left in the sacristy on or before Tuesday 18th December, if possible.

Community Carols Churches Together takes place on Thursday 20th December in the Town Hall, Naas at 8pm.....no cover charge. Collection divided between the local SVdeP and Tiglin Rehabilitation Centre. All welcome.

Advent Preparation for Christmas

You are invited to pray and study the Advent Sunday Readings each Tuesday, continuing on Tuesday coming 11th December, after the 10am Mass in the Parish Meeting Rooms, Sallins Road (behind Veritas Shop). Sr Peggy Cleary will lead the session. All welcome.



Prayer for the Second week of Advent;
Loving God, on this Advent day we turn to you in prayer. As we wait for the coming of your Son, we ask your blessing on each of us. Bring your healing upon us and help us to welcome your light into our lives, a light that gives us the gift of peace. May your peace guard our heart, our mind and our home. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Collectors for Christmas

With extra Masses, large numbers of people gathering and others away, we would greatly appreciate it if those who collect the money bags, during Mass at the Church of Our Lady and St David, confirm their availability. We would welcome also new volunteers to assist in collections during Vigil Masses on Christmas Eve; 6pm, 7.30pm, 9pm and Midnight and during the day Masses on Christmas Day; 8.30am, 10am 11.15am and 12.30pm. Please leave your name into the Sacristy or Parish Office on or before Sunday, 23rd December.

Nas na Ri Singers and Guests present Concert of music and carols with dramatised readings from "A Christmas Carol" on today, Sunday 9th December at 8pm in the Church of Our Lady and St. David, Sallins Rd supporting St Vincent de Paul, Naas .

Teen Spirit- - - A celebration of Teen Talent and Christian Faith

The diocese is hosting a 'Teen Spirit' Show in April 2013. Teenagers from first year to fifth year are invited to participate in the Teen Spirit Project. This will be a unique musical experience; Teen Spirit blends a mix of popular chart music, well known classics and contemporary Christian music. The rehearsals at local level will begin early January and the first 'Boot Camp' for all performers from around the diocese will be in February (venue yet to be decided). Teenage singers are invited to sign up through the parish or by sending an email to teenspirit@kandle.ie Check out www.teenspirit.ie or like us on Facebook TeenSpirit Kandle. School and Youth Choirs are invited to get involved also. All second level local schools in Naas have been contacted. We hope to have names of those interested in by December 19th. For more information contact Yvonne on 087 7788007 or Fr. Paul Dempsey on 045 876160. All U18's must complete a parental consent form available from www.kandle.ie or the Parish Office.

Christmas Concert with Alan Brereton at the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Naas on Sunday, 16th December at 8pm . Doors open at 7.30pm. Tickets €10, from the Parish Offices or at the door. Part proceeds to charity.

Naas Envelope Collection for 2013.....Registration Form

The collection boxes for the Development Fund for Naas Parish 2013 are now ready for distribution. In order to ensure our record keeping is accurate and complete we are going to distribute the boxes of envelopes at Masses next weekend to individuals and assign a number to each person. Some members of the Pastoral Council will be near the doors of Our Lady and St David's and the Irish Martyrs Churches to hand out the envelopes and take the details. In order to facilitate the process you should fill out this form and bring it to Mass with you next weekend. We would like if as many as possible would register and take a box of envelopes; your support for the Parish Building Fund and Priests of the Parish is very important and very much appreciated.

If you would like to make your contributions by Direct Debit then the appropriate forms will be available.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Box No: _____

Copies of the Initial Response by the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference to the Report of the Expert Group on the Judgement in A,B and C v Ireland are now available in the Church Porches.

Two Mile House Parish News

School Carol Service takes place in St. Peter's Wednesday 12th December at 7.30pm. All welcome. (If people would like to contribute items for the St. Vincent de Paul, you are welcome to bring along any non perishable items on the night and place them in the basket provided).

General Notices

Youth 2000 Ireland will be hosting their annual Christmas Youth Retreat in Newbridge College, Newbridge, from Friday 14th to Sunday 16th December 2012. Over 500 young people from across Ireland (aged 16-35) are expected at this donation only event, with all newcomers very welcome. This is a great opportunity to find out what your faith is all about in a friendly, chilled out atmosphere. Retreat starts with registration on Friday at 8pm. Online booking necessary, see www.youth2000.ie. Free buses available. Further details ph 01 6753690.

Annual Christmas with Friends for Adults It is with great pleasure that once again we announce our annual Christmas with Friends kindly sponsored by the Lions Club. The event will be held in the Day Care Centre, Ryan's Field, Station Rd., Newbridge on Dec 25th from 1pm - 6pm approx. Why not come along and have Christmas dinner with other people and have fun or we can deliver dinner to your home. Accessible transport provided for those who require it. People from Newbridge, Naas, Kildare, Kilcullen, Curragh, Allen and other outlying areas welcomed. There is no charge for this event. We guarantee that a great time will be had by all. We are looking for people to volunteer to transport people to and from the event, to deliver dinner to people in their own home, to provide entertainment and to help with the clean up afterwards. For more information please call Damian Molyneux @ 087 2450881 or Anne @ 086 8042724 or any member of the Lions Club.

Naas Library has a free Musical Tots workshop on Wednesday 19th December at 10.30am for children up to the age of 5 years old. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Contact Naas Community Library at 879111.

McAuley Place, NnRHA, Sallins Rd: a) **Christmas Decoration Workshop** on Tuesday 11th December from 2pm-4pm. b) **Gingerbread House Decorating Workshop** on Saturday next 15th December from 10am -4pm. c) **Gingerbread Village and Christmas Exhibition** on 16th December from 6.30pm-8.30pm. For more details phone 087 7653643 or McAuley Place at 897833.

Christmas Charity Concert in aid of 'Haven' featuring local soprano, Norah King, in the Moat Theatre on Sunday 16th December from 7.30pm(serving mulled wine and mince pies). Tickets from Moat Theatre at 883030