# Parish Mewsletter

## Sixth Sunday of Easter 6th May 2018.

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#### Bring Flowers of the Rarest.

The months of May and October are traditionally 'Marian Months' for Catholics. We pray the rosary, sing hymns, visit grottoes, place flowers before her picture and make processions. The catechism refers to Mary as "honored with the title 'Mother of God', to whose protection the faithful fly in all their dangers and needs. Pope John Paul II and Pope Benedict XVI emphasized the Marian focus of our Church. We need to go to Mary for an understanding of: the truth about Jesus Christ; the truth about our Church; and the truth about ourselves.

Mary has the title 'Mother of God'. But God does not have a mother, for God was never born. Yet the Son of God is born of a Virgin. Without the humanity and all it's finitude, the eternal Son of God could not have saved us through his passion in the way that he did.

I quote from Carlyle Houselander: "Christ is life; death did not belong to him. In fact, unless Mary would give him death, he could not die. Unless she would give Him the capacity for suffering, he could not suffer. He would only feel cold and hunger and thirst if she gave Him her vulnerability to cold and hunger and thirst. He could not know the indifference of friends or treachery or the bitterness of being betrayed unless she gave Him a human mind and a human heart".

Mary provides the flesh that the Word became. The flesh that the eternal Son receives is her.

All Christians are called to conceive Christ in the heart and to bear him into the world. Mary's life is our life....we need to reflect on Mary in her role of our salvation with our Redeemer. Is that our call?



**Pro-Life Speakers:** next week-end on the 12th and 13th May, speakers from the Pro-Life Campaign will speak at most of our Masses (with the exception of the 10.30am on Sunday in the Church of Irish Martyrs, Ballycane and the 6pm on Sunday evening in Our Lady and St David's).

## Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House Parish Race Day on Sunday 20th May at Naas Racecourse.

The Management of Naas Racecourse have very kindly offered us the opportunity to hold a "Parish Race Day" in order to raise funds for our three Parishes of Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House. We hope that our Community will get involved and enjoy what promises to be a great Parish Day Out.



- **♦** You can support this great event by: Purchasing Tickets, €15 each.
- Free Admission for children under 18 yrs.

If you are interested in attending or supporting the Race Day, **ONLY** Tickets purchased directly from the Parish, prior to the Race Meeting, will benefit our Parish. Tickets now available from the Parish Office, Sallins Road.

Tickets will also be on sale after all Masses next weekend Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th May in Our Lady and St. David's, Irish Martyrs, Guardian Angels, Sallins and St. Peters TMH.

Tickets will also be on Sale on the Weekend of the Race Meeting.

Thanks as always for your continued support.

#### PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

PRIEST ON DUTY: 085 708 8407

Parish Website: www.naasparish.ie

NAAS & SALLINS PARISH OFFICE Tel 879730

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 5pm

Naas eMail office@naasparish.net

Sallins eMail sallinsparishoffice@gmail.com

SACRISTY OUR LADY AND ST DAVID: Tel 856925

BALLYCANE OFFICE AND SACRISTY: Tel 895629

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 1pm

#### **PARISH TEAM**

FR. LIAM MORGAN Sallins Road 087 133 7879 FR. JOE O'NEILL Sunday's Well 045 876197 FR. MICHAEL FLATTERY Sallins Road 045 897703 FR. ALEX KOCHATT Lakelands 045 898684 DN. FERGAL O'NEILL Parish Deacon 086 3816 133 Ms. HILDA CAMPBELL Pastoral Admin Ass. 045 879730

New Safeguarding Policy recently updated is now displayed in all our Church Porches.

#### SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

Naas: Geraldine Faherty and Adrian King

Sallins: Keith Murphy

Two Mile House: Mary Valentine, Paula Clancy and

Suzanne Powell.

They can be contacted through the Parish Office, Sallins Road, Naas. Phone 045 879730.

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person: Ms Joan Treacy, C/o Bishop's House, Dublin Rd, Carlow. 085 802 1633

#### **RECENT BAPTISMS**

#### Naas:

Harper Elle McElroy, Landen Park Everly Mairead Duffy, Monread Lawns Lucy Susan O'Neill, Kennycourt, Kilcullen Jack Patrick O'Neill, Kennycourt, Kilcullen

#### Two Mile House:

Theodore Forrest Wilson, Oakglade

For those requesting the Sacrament of Baptism two weeks notice is required. Further details of Baptisms in Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House Parish at www.naasparish.ie/sacraments/baptism.

Cemetery Mass at St Corbans Cemetery will take place on Wednesday, 15th August 2018 at 7.30pm. Please note there will be No 7.30pm evening Mass in the Church of Irish Martyrs, Ballycane on this evening.

#### **MASS TIMES**

#### CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND ST. DAVID, SALLINS ROAD

WEEKDAYS: Mon-Fri 7:30am 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 GUARDIAN ANGELS, SALLINS

WEEKDAYS: Tues and Fri 10am

SUNDAYS: Sat Vigil 6:30pm Sun 10am 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

#### **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.'

There will be <u>No</u> 7.30am or 7.30pm Mass tomorrow Monday 7th May, (Bank Holiday).

**Scripture Sharing** will resume on Monday 14th May at **8.15pm** in the Parochial House.

**Booking Anniversary Masses**; In order to make sure names are included for Anniversary Masses we kindly ask that people would contact the Parish Office Sallins Road or the Ballycane Office at their earliest convenience (at least a week in advance).

Little Blessings Children's Liturgy Group will take place on Sunday next, 13th May during 10.30am Mass, at the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. All children over 4 years of age are welcome. The children will hear an age appropriate version of the Gospel or other Bible Story.

**Coffee Morning** on Wednesday coming 8th May after the 10am Mass in the Parochial House....come and join us for a cuppa and a chat.

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

## Eucharistic Adoration At the Church of the Irish Martyrs.

Monday 10am to 7pm; except on Bank Holidays

Tuesday 10am to 7pm.

Wednesday 10am to 7pm and resume after the 7.30pm evening Mass until 9.30pm.

On the 2nd Wednesday of each month, Adoration will take place from 10am to 5.15pm and resume after the 7.30pm evening Mass until 9.30pm. Thursday 10am to 7pm.

Friday 10am to 7pm.

Naas Community Mens Shed are holding a Music Session on Thursday coming 10th May at 9pm in the Shed at Rathasker Road, everyone welcome.

Annual Mass and AGM The Annual Mass for deceased Past Pupils of St Mary's College will be celebrated on Friday coming 11th May at 7.30pm in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. All are welcome. The AGM will take place following the Mass, back at St. Mary's College at 8.30pm. New members are welcome on the night.

Parish Conversations; As part of our preparation



for the World Meeting of Families in Dublin this August you are welcome to join us for relaxed and informal conversations with light refreshments on what it means to be a family to-day. **Please note there** 

will be no Meeting on Thursday coming 10th May. Our next get - together takes place in the Church of the Irish Martyrs from 8pm to 9.15pm on Thursday 17th May: God's Mercy—No One Excluded

**Thursday 24th May**: A Gospel of Hope for our family Using engaging short videos, animations and activities to encourage discussion our gatherings will offer an opportunity to chat about the reality of family life in the world today.

#### **SALLINS PARISH NEWS**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday coming 8th May from 10.30am -11am.

Date for your Diary...Sallins Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place on 23rd June for 7 Nights, Full Board staying at the 'Jeanne d'Arc Hotel'. For bookings phone Rita Fanning on 087 6535112 or 086 0834807. Spiritual Director Fr. Michael Flattery. Each year Sallins Lourdes Pilgrimage invite a number of sick people from Sallins Parish on their Pilgrimage. If you or a member of your family would like to be considered you can contact Rita.

#### **Family Prayer:**

O Mary, Mother of the Life Within,
All life we entrust to you.
The life of every expectant mother
and the child within her womb
the life of every human body
the life of every human soul
the life of every new-born child
and the life of all grown old.
You held the Lord to your own heart
and drew Him so close in.
So draw us now in all our needs

O Mother of the Life Within.



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

Amen

#### **TWO MILE HOUSE PARISH:**

Weekday Morning Mass is celebrated from Monday to Thursday at 9.15am. Friday evening Mass as usual at 7pm. Please note there will be No Mass on Thursday coming 10th May.

#### **GENERAL NOTICES:**

#### **World Meeting of Families Icon**

Parishioners from our Parishes can visit the WMOF Icon, recently blessed in Rome by Pope Francis.

In St Conleth's Parish Church,



Newbridge tomorrow Monday 7th May at 11am. Mass with formal Closing of the Icon will take place.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Clane Parish Church for 4 Monday
nights starting on Monday 7th to
Monday 28th May at 7.30pm. You are
welcome to join us in prayer each evening.



Brian Brady Youth Theatre presents 'Grease' from 9th to 12th May at the Moat Theatre. For bookings phone 883030.

Kildare Suicide Bereavement Support Group (K.S.B.S.G.) is a Voluntary Group, founded in 1997. We offer a free, one to one, confidential counselling service for people bereaved by or contemplating suicide.

- \* No waiting lists; \* No referrals are necessary;
- \* No donations required; \*No one is turned away

There is a walk-in service every Thursday night in the Parish Centre in Ballycane from 8pm to 9.30pm or appointments can be made by phoning 045 895629 or 086 8554852.

### Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw. You could Win €7,150



#### on Wednesday, 9th May in the Parish Lotto Draw

The Draw takes place at 7pm at the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane and all arewelcome to attend the draw.

Simply buy A €2 Ticket and It Could Be You!!

There was no winner of the Jackpot on Wednesday 2nd May.

Numbers Drawn were 6 —5—15—11: Four Lucky dip winners of €100 each:

Mary & Conor McMahon, Ann Farrell, Theresa McCann and Tony Sourke,

**T**ickets can be purchased from:- Menswear, Nolans Butchers, Barker & Jones, Liz Bergin Hair Salon, Veritas Stationery Store, The Soda Bread Shop, Gouldings Hardware, Swans on the Green. **T**ickets are available from the Parish Office on the Sallins Rd. or in The Church of the Irish Martvrs. Ballycane.



Parish Bingo continues every Tuesday night at 8.30pm sharp, in the Care of the Aged Centre, Newbridge Road, with bigger prizes and Jackpot. Paris Lotto tickets on Sale at Bingo.

**Kildare and Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, led by Bishop Denis Nulty.** The Pilgrimage takes place on 16th July for 5nights at a cost of €739 per person sharing, staying at "Hotel Solitude". The Pilgrimage is being organised in conjunction with Joe Walsh Tours. Booking Forms are now available from the Parish Office, Sallins Road. €200 Booking Deposit required at time of booking. Spiritual Director Fr. Liam Morgan.

Liturgy/Music for the Pilgrimage: In organising the Liturgy/Music for the Pilgrimage, I would be grateful to know if people are interested in joining the Choir for the Pilgrimage. If you are interested and have not been with us before, please note that you must commit to the rehearsals and the time-table in Lourdes itself. This is the only request that I have, as it makes for much better Liturgies etc. If you sang with the Lourdes Choir last year, can you please ensure to bring your Music Book to our rehearsals as we will be using the same book again this year. Please inform Christine at Faith Development Services on 059 - 91 64084 or christine.oglesby@kandle.ie by Monday 10th May if you wish to join the Choir. Then depending on where the majority of people are from, I will arrange our first rehearsal. Many thanks and looking forward to seeing you soon. With Blessings, Fr. Liam Lawton. (Director of Music).

#### **Parish Finances:**

Sallins: Baskets: € 640 Envelopes: €400

Naas: Offertory: €3,555 Development Fund: €3,155

Two Mile House: € 692 Sports Lottery Results

Naas: 26/4 (10-12-14-26) No Winner, Jackpot €1,750 Sallins: 30/4 (5-33-36) No Winner, Jackpot €1,450

#### **GENERAL NOTICES:**

**St Vincent de Paul Society Naas** helpline phone number 045 897306

Wider Option September 2018: An information meeting will be held on Tuesday 22nd May at 10am in St. Conleth's Community College, Station Road, Newbridge. Wider Options is a one year mature Adult Education Programme (mornings classes, Monday to Friday). It is ideally suited to people who have been in the home for a number of years or have retired, early school leavers or people with school going children who wish to upskill.

**Lost:** A pair of men's glasses in a brown case on Saturday 28th April on the Sallins Road, phone 087 6805385 if found.