

# Parish Newsletter



**Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
9th September 2018.**

No: 1667

Mark 7: 31-37



Dear Friends

I take this opportunity to thank people for their welcome to this parish and to introduce myself a little more.

I was appointed here as of August, after spending some time in studies. I am 47 years old and a native of Graiguenamanagh, Co. Kilkenny. I was ordained in 1997 and I have had a number of appointments both within the diocese and outside it over those 21 years. Early in my ministry, Bishop Ryan proposed a time of scriptural formation and I had four happy years of advanced studies in Scripture, with the result that part of my ministry has been in teaching Scripture and in continuing studies in Scripture. Otherwise, I have always had opportunities also to be active in pastoral contexts in a wide variety of settings.

I hope that my time here will be blessed for us all, for however long it may be. My priority is simple: to bring the Gospel into the lives of people in this new Ireland. I hope its simple clarity about faith and hope might well resound in new ways for people!

Saturday 8 September is one of my favourite feasts, Our Lady's Birthday. A few years ago, I was in Jerusalem on this day and I heard a young priest, from a Jewish background, speak about how this feast shows how Mary inherits the tradition of her people, chosen to be the dwelling place of God in a world from which God is often exiled. With Mary, we can then be that dwelling place of God, in gentle strength and with quiet faith!

I would ask your prayers as I settle in here. I would also ask your patience as I learn names and places. Please be tolerant of my mistakes!

Every blessing!

Fr Seán

## **Reminder:**

**Solemn Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help for Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House Parishes. From Friday 5th to Saturday 13th October inclusive.  
Please come along to the Open Meeting in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane at 8pm on Thursday, September 13th to hear more about what the Novena will involve and how you can help.**

## **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 e-mail:** office@naasparish.net

**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 1337879**

**FR. ALEX KOCHATT** Lakelands **045 898684**

**FR. MICHAEL FLATTERY** Sunday's Well **045 888112**

**FR. SEÁN MAHER** Sallins Road **045 897703**

**DN. FERGAL O'NEILL** Parish Deacon **086 3816133**

**MS. HILDA CAMPBELL** Pastoral Admin Asst **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**

### **FEAST AND MEMORIAL DAYS FOR THE COMING WEEK:**

Wednesday 12th: St Ailbe, bishop

Thursday 13th: St John Chrysostom, bishop

Friday 14th: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Saturday 15th: Our Lady of Sorrows

### **THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY**

**WELCOMES YOU WITH GREAT JOY!**

#### **SALLINS:**

Alice Kate O'Regan, Morell Dale

Elise Bridget McCarry, Sallins Bridge

#### **NAAS:**

Conor Mark Kavanagh, Cois Na Feadain

Steven Daniel Snikeris, Cois Na Feadain

Zoe Josephine Fleming, Dun Na Riogh

Arina Varaskaite, Oakfield Park

Kristina Varaskaite, Oakfield Park

#### **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:**

For those requesting the Sacrament of Baptism two weeks notice is required. Details from Parish website.

## **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

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

#### **Naas:**

Anne (Nancy) Corr, Monread Rd

#### **Sallins:**

Charles Daly, St Brigids Tce, Sallins

***MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.***

### **NAAS PARISH NEWS**



#### **Mass Schedule:**

The normal schedule for masses (evening masses), in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, will resume from Friday 14th September.

There will be a Clergy Diocesan retreat from Sunday 9th September until Thursday 13th September inclusive. During this time, there will be **NO 7.30am mass in Naas, instead there will be Morning Prayer led by Deacon Fergal O'Neill. Please note there will also be NO 7.30pm mass in Ballycane on Wednesday 12th September. Therefore, NO anniversary Masses will be booked in for the 7.30am and 7.30pm Masses during these dates.**

**Autumn Collection** in support of the Priests of the Parish will take place at all Masses this weekend, 8th/9th September.

**Any candidate for First Communion or Confirmation who wants to apply for the**

**Sacrament in this coming year 2018/2019 and who is outside the parish school system please make contact with Naas Parish office as soon as possible as registration closes on 19th October.**

**Funeral Ministers:** If anyone should need a hard copy of the Funeral Minister rota, these are now available and can be collected in the Parish office.

**A 'Camino-style' pilgrimage through Eadestown Parish** will take place on **Sunday 16th September** starting at St. Bridget's Well in Newtown Great at 2pm. Well-earned refreshments will be served at Killeel Hall at 6.00pm. All are invited to take part in the pilgrimage, which will mark the recent success of the 2018 World Meeting of Families.

**Collection outside Our Lady & St David's Church in aid of lifeboats (RNLI)** this Sunday 8th/9th.

**"TOUCH IRELAND" Supporting vulnerable children in "Our World"** are holding a Church gate collection in Naas on Sat 15th/Sun 16th September. All money raised will go towards the building of a new school. Please support.

**St Pio's Feast Day Mass:** A Mass to celebrate the Feast of St Pio and The Jubilee Year of the Saint 1918/2018 will take place on Monday evening 24th September at 7.30pm in St Marys Church, Edenderry, Co. Offaly. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Denis Nulty. After Mass, St Pio's glove will be available to anyone wishing to be blessed. All are welcome!

### SALLINS PARISH NEWS

**Autumn Collection** in support of the Priest of the Parish will take place at all Masses this weekend, 8th/9th September.

**Sallins Senior Citizens Tuesday Club** resumes Tuesday 11th September, in Sallins Community Centre. All welcome!

**SVP shop Sallins** is holding a Big Event on Thursday 13th September from 10am. Brand new clothes and bric a brac - plenty of bargains to be had!

### TWO MILE HOUSE PARISH NEWS

**Weekday Morning Mass** is celebrated from Monday to Thursday at 9.15am. Friday evening Mass as usual at 7pm.

**Two Mile House ICA** will resume Monday 10th September at 8pm in The Brown Bear. New members welcome!

**Two Mile House** Parish Pastoral Council meeting will take place on Tuesday 11th September at 7.30pm.

### GENERAL NOTICES:

#### **Parish Finances:**

Sallins: Baskets: €747 Envelopes: €695

Naas: Offertory: €3550 Development Fund: €4020

Two Mile House: €466

#### **Sports Lottery Results**

Naas: 30/8 (15-16-20-28) No Winner, Jackpot €4,450

Sallins: 03/9 (5-8-30) No Winner, Jackpot €2,350

#### **Dog Walk in aid of Kildare Animal Foundation:**

Sunday 9th September at Castletown House, Celbridge. Meet in front of house at 12.15pm, dogs must be on a lead. All welcome.

**Some Enchanted Evening** - A celebration of the American Musicals in support of Le Cheile Alzheimer's Unit, Athy, Friends of Naas Hospital, The Past Times Choir and the Moat Theatre. 13th - 15th September. Tickets: €18, Concessions: €16.

**Naas Toastmasters Club** are hosting an "Open Night" meeting on Wednesday 12th September in Naas Townhouse Hotel at 8pm, visitors welcome.

**Beginners Bridge Class:** 10 lesson term will commence in Naas Lawn Tennis Club (Junior Room) on **Monday 24th September 2018 at 8pm. Enrolment: 7.45pm. To book: please contact Bert** at 087 9220233 or bertmckay538@gmail.com.

**Study Theology Online with The Priory Institute:** Interested in theology? Study theology by self-paced learning this Autumn - register now! enquiries@prioryinstitute.com or call 01 4048124.

**St Davids Bridge Club** resumes on Weds eves from 3rd October in Care of the Aged. New members welcome. Enquiries to Catherine 0872200005.

**Little Way Cancer Support Centre, Clane** are holding a fundraising competition '**Great Big Stitch**' starting on 21st September. Please call 045902996 or email clane@little-way.org for more details.

**Naas Citizens Information Centre** are looking for volunteers who can commit to one day a week to help provide independent information to the public on their rights and entitlement. To apply, email margaret.odonohoe@citinfo.ie before 28th Sept.

**Ireland's Biggest Coffee Morning** are looking for people to host coffee mornings in their homes or work places on Thursday 20th September in support of St Brigid's Hospice, the Curragh. Please call 0868140412 or 0872848611 for an info pack.

**Fr. Moore's Well, Rathbride,** annual pilgrimage on Sunday 9th September 12-6pm. Fr. Moore's Hat available 1-5pm.

## Certificate in Theological Studies

Would you like to develop your theological knowledge and gain a deeper understanding of your faith? Explore the possibilities of living your faith with challenge, openness and freshness. Contact Dr Suzanne Mulligan, St Patricks College Maynooth for more information 01-7084772. Course runs on Tuesday evenings from 6.30pm – 8.30pm.

## Practical Philosophy - Introductory Course

A 10 week course, focusing on how to live our lives more truly and happily will commence at McAuley Place Community Centre, Naas at 7.30pm on Tuesday 18th September. This term, to celebrate 50 years of Practical Philosophy in Ireland, this course is being offered for €10. Register on [www.practicalphilosophy.ie](http://www.practicalphilosophy.ie) or phone 016603788 or email [info@practicalphilosophy.ie](mailto:info@practicalphilosophy.ie).



### **PRAYER FOR OUR DIOCESE**

Lord, bless the faith community of Kildare & Leighlin which traces its origins to Brigid, Conleth and Laserian. May it be outstanding in charity as St. Brigid of Kildare, may it be constant in faith as St. Conleth of Old Connell, wise and prayerful as St. Laserian of Leighlin. Bless its bishop, priests, religious & laity. Fill them with the light of your love. Bless its young people. Help them to seek your truth. Bless all who are poor or weak or wounded by life's hurts. Grant them justice, light and hope. Sin é ár nguí tré Criost ár dTiarna. Amen.



## **Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw.**

**You could Win €4,750.....**

**on Wednesday, 12th September in the Parish Lotto Draw**

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

**There was No Winner of the Jackpot on Wednesday last, 5th September.**

**Numbers Drawn were 27-17-26-24;**

**There were four Lucky Dip winners of €100 each.**

Tickets are available from the Parish Offices and all our other usual outlets.

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



*Celebrate what you've accomplished  
BUT raise the bar a little higher each time  
you succeed.*

