

# Parish Newsletter



## First Sunday of Advent 2nd December 2018

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### A Family Advent Night Prayer

*A member of the family might light a candle (or Advent Wreath)*

*As we get closer to Christmas, this prayer could begin with a decade of the Rosary, The Third Mystery of Light: The Proclamation of the Kingdom of God*

Loving God, as your light grows in the dark of winter, bring its strength and its hope to all people.

**All: Come, Lord Jesus.**

Just as you sent the star of Bethlehem to lead the way to your Son, guide us as a family to follow your ways of kindness, peace and justice.

**All: Come, Lord Jesus.**

As we remember the journey of Mary and Joseph, may the Holy Family be a source of courage for our family, helping us to reach out in friendship and love to those in need.

**All: Come, Lord Jesus.**

Help us to see in the Jesus we welcome this Christmas, the one who came to bring an end to all divisions.

**All: Come, Lord Jesus.**

### Our Father...

And may the Lord bring us peace and ease any worry; bless us and keep us safe this night and always.

**All: Amen.**

### Cathedral Advent Evening Prayer

Bishop Denis warmly invites people and clergy from across the Diocese to join him, as we begin our Advent journey, for a celebration of Evening Prayer for the First Sunday of Advent in Carlow Cathedral at 5pm today, December 2nd.

### Advent Reflection

#### Waiting

You are always there  
In a quiet room  
Waiting for me  
To come to you.



This morning in  
A hilly field,  
Sitting on the corner  
Of a stone cattle trough,  
Listening to the water  
Tumbling down the hill  
Into the silent river,  
Watching the crows  
Fly to work  
Across the sky,  
Why was I surprised  
To find you there?

Lord, teach me  
To leave space  
In my mind  
So that you  
Can always be there.

**Alice Taylor, 'Praying Place'**

**Advent Station Collection in support of the Priests of the Parish will take place at all Masses this weekend, Saturday 1st and Sunday 2nd December.**

*We thank you and greatly appreciate your continued support and kindness to us.*

## PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

**PRIEST ON DUTY: 085 708 8407**

**PARISH WEBSITE:** [www.naasparish.ie](http://www.naasparish.ie)

**NAAS & SALLINS PARISH OFFICE** Tel 879730

**Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 5pm**

**Naas e-mail:** [office@naasparish.net](mailto: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
Fr. Mark Zygadlo	(Part-time)	045 434069

**Safeguarding Policy is displayed in all our Church Porches.**

### SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

**Naas:** Geraldine Faherty and Adrian King  
**Sallins:** Keith Murphy, Emer McCarthy and Dermot McGilloway  
**Two Mile House:** Paula Clancy and Suzanne Powell.  
**All of the above 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:

Thursday 6th Dec.: St Nicholas, Bishop

Saturday 8th Dec.: The Immaculate Conception

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

#### **NAAS:**

Evan Michael Groarke, The Drive

Ultán Ned Stynes, Naas

Polly Eve Byrne, Alderwood Court

Sadie Lily Moran, Woodlands

Emily Amber Miley, Esmondale

Isobelle Siobhán O'Brien, The Drive

Benjamin Louis McDonnell, Oldbridge Station

Ted Paddy O'Donoghue, The Park

Bobby Lee Quinn, An Riase

Clodagh Leigh Russell Egan, Celbridge

#### **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 the 10am Mass

Every Saturday after the 10am Mass

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

#### **Sallins:**

Margaret Hannah Foley

***MAY SHE REST IN PEACE.***



### **NAAS PARISH NEWS**

**Advent Preparation for Christmas:** You are invited to pray and study the Advent Sunday Readings each Tuesday during Advent, after 10am Mass in the Parochial House.



CHILDREN'S  
LITURGY

**Little Blessings Children's Liturgy Group** will take place during the 10.30am Mass at Ballycane Church next Sunday, 9th December. All children over four are welcome. Participants will hear a child friendly version of the Gospel or other Bible story along with related artwork, drama or music. Children do not need to enrol, they can join at any stage. Older children, under 16 are welcome to join in or assist younger children. When finished, all return to the Mass before the offertory.

**The St Vincent de Paul Society's Annual Collection** takes place at all Masses next weekend 8th & 9th December. Donations can also be sent to St Vincent de Paul, PO Box 1, Naas. All donations will be greatly appreciated. *Thank you for your continued support. St Vincent de Paul Helpline 045 897306.*

**Christmas Mass Bouquet Cards** are now available from the Parish Offices.

### SALLINS PARISH NEWS

**Confessions** available in Sallins Church every Thursday from 2pm - 4pm.

**Primary School Applications for Sallins National School:** for Junior Infants will be available in the school from Monday 3rd Dec. to Thursday 31st Jan. Parents/Guardians must obtain an Application Form during this period. All forms must be returned to the school by Thursday 31st Jan. 2019.

### TWO MILE HOUSE PARISH NEWS

**Morning Masses will resume as normal this week. Weekday Morning Mass is celebrated from Mon-Thurs at 9.15am. Friday eve Mass as usual at 7pm.**

**Christmas Cards for sale in aid of the charity**

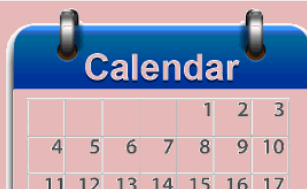
**ALMAS.** Over the last 15 years ALMAS has been reaching out to children and their families affected by AIDS and poverty worldwide. The money raised will be used to support children's survival, health and educational needs. The packs of cards will be for sale in Two Mile House Parish today after the 11am Mass, €5 for a pack of eight. Your support and prayers are greatly appreciated. Please visit the charity website for more info., [www.almasworldwide.com](http://www.almasworldwide.com). *Thank you.*



**Cake Sale** in Two Mile House N.S. on Friday, 7th December from 10am-12:30pm. Everyone welcome and all support will be greatly appreciated. Raffle tickets will be available on the morning for a Christmas cake, which will be on display.

### GENERAL NOTICES

**Christmas Craft Fair** Caragh, Sunday 2nd December at 12pm in Caragh Community Centre. Free parking, festive tunes and festive treats served throughout the day! Santa arrives at 2pm!



**Parish Youth Group Fundraising Calendar: 2019 is coming!** Parish Youth Group Calendars will be on sale today,

Sunday 2nd December after all Masses in Our Lady & St David's, Sallins & Ballycane Churches! (For sale in TMH next weekend, Sunday 9th December). All monies raised will go towards the Parish Lourdes Fund as well as other Youth Group activities for the year ahead. *Your support is greatly appreciated.*

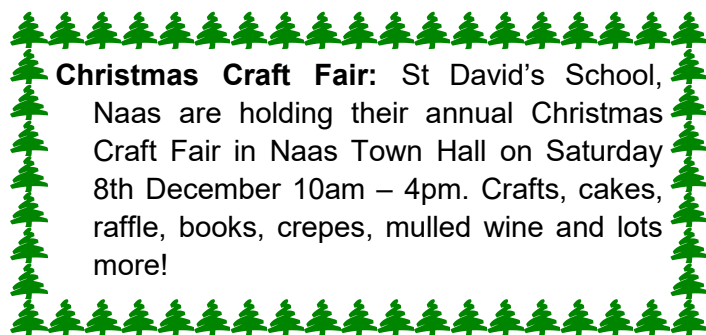
**Naas Local History Group:** Talk on the 'History of Donnelly Mirrors Ltd.' by Paddy (PC) Behan and Jim O'Sullivan in the Town House Hotel on Monday 3rd December at 8pm. All welcome.

**Naas Active Retirement:** Members only meeting this Wednesday 5th December at 2pm in Naas Community Centre.

**Naas Art Group Exhibition:** will take place from December 6th-16th in The Atrium, John's Lane, Naas (beside the car park behind Eddie Rockets). Open daily from 10am-6pm. Free admission. All welcome.

**Craft Fair in Naas Library** will take place on Thursday 6th and Friday 7th December. If you would like to book a table, please contact 087 6100159.

**Bus to Knock All Night Vigil,** Friday 7th December, please phone Fosters Coaches on 045 525432 if you would like to book your place, €22 each.



**Christmas Craft Fair:** St David's School, Naas are holding their annual Christmas Craft Fair in Naas Town Hall on Saturday 8th December 10am – 4pm. Crafts, cakes, raffle, books, crepes, mulled wine and lots more!

### **Mass Times for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, Holy Day of Obligation, Saturday coming 8th December:**

<b>Irish Martyrs, Ballycane:</b>	7.30pm (Vigil - Friday 7th Dec.) and 12 noon
<b>Our Lady &amp; St. David:</b>	10am
<b>Sallins:</b>	10am
<b>Two Mile House:</b>	11am



**Prayer Service for the safe return of Trevor Deely and all missing persons to their families will take place on Friday coming 7th December at 8.15pm (after the 7.30pm Mass) in the Church of the Irish Martyr's, Ballycane. "All are welcome to stay and pray with us"**



## Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw

There was **NO WINNER** of the Jackpot on  
Wednesday last, 28th November

Numbers Drawn were **3-17-25-27**;

The next draw will be on **Wednesday 5th December** at **6.30pm** in the  
Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane and all are welcome to attend the draw.

Jackpot on 28th November is **€2,200**.

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

**Naas Parish Lotto** is celebrating its 6th Birthday on Wednesday 13th December. To celebrate we are giving out lots of extra cash prizes, vouchers and surprises!

The last five years have been a great success due mainly to the unselfish and trojan work carried out by our ticket sellers, and also the generosity of those who have supported us during this time. The funds raised have had an important and significant impact on our Parish Finances and we look forward to your continued and invaluable support in 2019.

If you are not already a ticket seller and feel that you, your friends or family could possibly sell a few tickets to your family, your neighbours or in your work place, we would love to hear from you! Tickets cost €2 each. You can also join by completing a Standing Order Form for €8 per month, or pay a Yearly Subscription of €90.

For further info. please contact the Parish Offices on the Sallins Rd. or Ballycane or the Draw Secretary at 086 1635994.

Promoters please note our last draw before Christmas will be on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December. There will be NO draws on 26<sup>th</sup> December or 2nd January. The first draw after Christmas will be on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> January.

**Carols for Zambia:** In support of the Zambia Immersion Project Fund 2019. Naas CBS will hold a night of music in the school on Thursday 13th December at 7.30pm. There will be performances by the Naas CBS choir, The Island of Ireland Peace choir and other special guests on the night. Entry on the night is free and all are welcome.

**On behalf of the Irish Cancer Society,** Vera Burke would like to sincerely thank everyone who contributed and collected at the recent Annual Church gate collection. Amounts raised were €533.36 in Sallins, €311.55 in Two Mile House, €992.85 in OLSD, Naas and €1315.36 in Ballycane. *Your continued support is much appreciated.*



**Nás Na Rí Singers** with the choirs of St. Marys College, Naas Community College and Gael-Choláiste Chill Dara and accompanied by the Co, Kildare Orchestra present "A Christmas Miscellany". A candlelit concert of Christmas classics, festive readings and favourite congregational carols. Please join us in Our Lady & St. David's Church, Naas, Tuesday 18th December at 8pm. Tickets €10 adults and €5 children. Available from Barker & Jones, Naas or at the door. Concert in aid of Homeless Care CLG.



### **FREE Beginners Computer**

**Class:** Would you like to get to grips with how to use a computer - Microsoft Word, typing skills, email, internet safety, social media, online shopping and more. This is a 2 hour class, running for 4 weeks. Contact Naas Library to book your place on 045 879111.

**Bereaved? Need to talk? Want to talk?** Qualified counsellors are available every Thursday night in Ballycane Church from 8pm to 9.30pm. For further info. phone 045 895629 or 086 8554852. This is free, confidential and non denominational.

### **Sports Lottery Results**

Naas: 22/11 (12-20-14-27) No Winner, Jackpot €6,250  
Sallins: 26/11 (7-15-40) No Winner, Jackpot €4,150



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

### **Parish Finances:**

**Sallins:** Baskets: €835 Envelopes: €375

**Naas:** Offertory: €3840 Development Fund: €3740

**Two Mile House:** €882