

# Parish Newsletter



**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
27th January 2019**

No: 1686

Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21.

## ***"Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire" (St Catherine of Sienna)***

This weekend sees the beginning of Catholic Schools Week (**Jan 27th-Feb 2nd**). As part of the celebrations in our Parish, Bishop Denis Nulty will celebrate Mass in Our Lady and St. David's Church along with many children representing our 7 Catholic primary schools and 3 post-primary schools. They have been busily preparing for this occasion for the last few weeks.



This is a worthwhile opportunity to reflect on the unique contribution our Catholic Schools have provided to education in Ireland. In our rapidly changing society which creates so many challenges, the question can be posed as to what is so unique about our Catholic education? Educating young people has always centered around the idea that it is through the younger generation that society successfully rebuilds itself. Success can mean different things to different people but what does it mean in the context of Catholic education?

According to the Catholic Bishops Conference, that truly caring for ourselves and our environment means that we "work towards helping each child irrespective of background, ethnicity or creed, reach their full potential academically, spiritually and socially." This is very difficult to achieve unless we understand the value and importance of human connection.

It is in the lives of Blessed Edmund Rice and Venerable Catherine McCauley that we can see the fruits of this powerful human connection. Catherine's work in educating young women to "make a difference" still continues and the call to courage from Edmund has certainly seen the "good seed grow" in the lives of generations of children.

Dr. James Comer, pioneer of successful school reform, says that no significant learning can occur without a significant relationship. Pope Francis, addressing the Italian Union of Catholic teachers, stresses the importance of an educational relationship with their students, to make them feel "accepted and loved for who he or she is... you must not only teach content but the values and customs of life." Children have to be shown that faith is relevant to life's needs. It is the communication of a way of living.

Catholic education should as Pope Francis says give "soul to the World", helping each child, embraced as a child of God, reach their full potential. God has a plan for each and every child and it is through a relationship with the Lord that, step by step, the person we are meant to be is slowly revealed to us.

*True Education is guiding a child to be who they are meant to be and setting the world on fire!*



***Tune In! Fr. Liam will be celebrating Mass live on RTÉ Television, with music and hymns from the Big C Choir, next Sunday 3rd February at 11am.***

**February Collection in support of the Priests of the Parish will take place at all Masses next weekend 2nd and 3rd February. We thank you for 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:

Monday 28th: St Thomas Aquinas, priest & doctor of the Church  
Wed. 30th: St Aidan, bishop  
Thursday 31st: St John Bosco, priest  
Friday 1st Feb.: St Brigid, Abbess  
Saturday 2nd: The Presentation of the Lord

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

#### Naas:

Ann Wyse, Clane (Late of Ashgrove)

#### Two Mile House:

James Heffernan, Killashee, Naas

**MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.**



### 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

## NAAS PARISH NEWS

Disappointingly, Veritas will close it's doors this week, on Thursday 31st January. The Parish will be very sorry to see them go and we wish all the staff the very best for the future. While Veritas is closing, the Parish Office, Sallins Road will remain open for business as normal and we will shortly be stocking a limited range of religious items and magazines including Messenger, Magnificat and more. Please be patient with us as we make this transition over the next couple of weeks. Thank you.



**St Brigid's Crosses will be on sale today, Sunday 27th, after the 10.30am Mass in COIM, Ballycane with all proceeds going towards the Lourdes Fund.**

**Holy Child Primary School, Ballycane** will hold a Church gate collection today, Sunday 27th January. All support is greatly appreciated.

**Ministers of the Word Needed** for OLSD Church, Naas and COIM Church, Ballycane. If you would like to get involved with this Ministry, please contact Parish Office on 045 879 730. Training provided.

**Divine Mercy Prayers** after the 7.30pm Mass in COIM, Ballycane on Wednesday 30th January.

**Marian Movement Prayers for Priests** meets each month in OLSD, Naas after the 10am Mass. Next meeting is Saturday 2nd February. All welcome.

**Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick** will take place during the 7.30pm Mass on Monday 11th February in COIM, Ballycane to mark the World Day of the Sick on the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes which takes place each year on the 11th February. *Everyone is welcome to come along.*

### SALLINS PARISH NEWS

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

**Date for your Diary! Sallins 45th Pilgrimage to Lourdes** will take place on 14th June 2019 for 7 nights. Full Board. Hotel Jeanne d'Arc. More details to follow. For bookings please phone Rita Fanning on 087 6535112 or 045 850929.

### TWO MILE HOUSE PARISH NEWS

**Weekday Morning Mass** is celebrated from Mon-Thurs at 9.15am. Friday eve Mass as usual at 7pm.

Please note that there will be **NO Morning Mass** in Two Mile House from Monday 4th February up until Tuesday 5th March inclusive. Morning Mass will resume as normal on Ash Wednesday, 6th March.

### GENERAL NOTICES



**Feast of St Blaise:** The Annual Blessing of the Throat's will take place in the Carmelite Friary, Kildare Town on Sunday 3rd February from after 8am Mass until after 7.30pm Mass. All welcome.

**Naas Special Olympics Club** require volunteers to help in the club on Thursday evenings at 5.40pm for an hour. If you are interested please contact Sheila on 086 1099311. *Thank you!*

**Irish Heart Foundation** are looking for a collector in Naas to organise church gate collections. If you would like to help, please contact Anne Harrington on 01 634 6947.

**Annual Medjugorje Pilgrimage:** From 30th May to 6th June 2019. Return flights will be €659 pps if a deposit of €50 is paid to Marian Pilgrimages before 1st Feb. For full details please contact John or Catherine on 045 866233 or 086 8563773.

**Lost! Set of keys** lost in around OLSD Church/centre of Naas on Monday morning 21st January. If found please leave in Parish Office, Sallins Road. Thank you.

**Alzheimer Café Naas:** Next meeting on Wednesday 30th January, 7-9pm in the Convent Tea Rooms at McAuley Place, Sallins Road. The speaker for this meeting will be Dr Brendan O'Shea who will speak on the topic of 'Thinking Ahead'. Those living with dementia, families, carers and professionals are all welcome to attend.

**Naas Tidy Towns AGM:** You are invited to attend the Naas Tidy Towns AGM on Thursday 31st January at 8pm in the Town House Hotel. All are very welcome.



**Naas Flower and Garden Club** next meeting takes place on Thursday 31st January at 7.45pm in the Care of the Aged Centre, Newbridge Road (beside Fire Station). There will be a demonstration by Bertranda Delaney, with the theme 'Spring Is'. This is the club's first evening for 2019 and we welcome new members to join us to keep our Club A Blooming! We would also like to see past members join us on the night also!

**The Three Tenors in Concert, Borris Church, Co. Carlow** - Ireland's Greatest Voices, an evening of popular classic hits from Sinatra, The Dubliners, Pavarotti & Spiritual Favourites! Saturday 16th Feb. at 8pm, tickets €25. This is a fundraiser for Borris Church. Tickets are available from the Parish Centre, Borris, please call 059 977 3128 for more information.

### Parish Finances:

**Sallins:** Baskets: €695 Envelopes: €375

**Naas:** Offertory: €3460 Development Fund: €3766

**Two Mile House:** €530



### *St Valentines Day Celebrations*

*To celebrate St Valentine's Day we extend an invitation to all Parishioners to join us for a special St Valentine Mass on Wednesday 13th February at 7.30pm in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane.*

*We especially welcome all engaged couples planning to get married this year, those who are recently married and couples celebrating a Wedding Anniversary.*

*Please contact the Parish Office, Sallins Road on 045 879 730 if you have a significant Anniversary this year.*

# CONFIRMATION - CEREMONY OF LIGHT



The month of March is fast approaching and all our 6th class children, who are making their Confirmation are busy preparing for the Ceremony. As part of their preparations, they will partake in the Ceremony of Light which reminds us, along with the Sacrament of Confirmation, how we as Christians are called to live our lives in the Light of Christ.

The following are the dates and venues for the Ceremonies of Light taking place in our Parish;

CNS Naas	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	7pm	Church of the Irish Martyrs
Mercy Convent	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	8pm	Our Lady and St. David's Church
Sallins National School	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	7.30pm	Our Lady & the Guardian Angels Church
Gael Scoil	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	6.30pm	Church of the Irish Martyrs
Scoil Bhríde	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	7.30pm	Our Lady and St. David's Church
St. Corbans	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	8pm	Church of the Irish Martyrs
Two Mile House and Killashee MDNS	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	7pm	St. Peter's Church

## Sports Lottery Results

Naas: 17/01 (1-12-13-14) No Winner, Jackpot €7,450

Sallins: 21/01 (22-25-33) No Winner, Jackpot €1,450

**The Quiet Revolution of Pope Francis** - Fr Gerry O'Hanlon SJ will give a talk on his book "The Quiet Revolution of Pope Francis - A Synodal Catholic Church in Ireland?" on Tuesday 19th February at 7.45pm in Leighlinbridge Parish Centre, Carlow. Fr O'Hanlon has written extensively on Church reform and the role of the Church in the public square. Bishop Denis will be in attendance for what will be an interesting opportunity to gain an insight into vital change for the Church. All welcome.



## Plainspeakers Toastmasters Club

- Looking for help with preparing a speech for an event, work or a local club? Maybe PLAINSPEAKERS can help! Join us on Monday 28th January at 7.45pm for a fun,

interactive workshop with Karen O'Donnell, a speech coach. Enhance your presentation and speaking skills. Workshop in Tricky Tricksters Magic Castle, Ladytown Business Park, Naas. Guests are free to attend. Text Dee with "workshop" on 087 662 7395, or call 045 409 192 for more information and to secure your place.

## Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw

**You could Win €1,700.....**

**on Wednesday, 30th January in the Parish Lotto Draw**

The draw takes place at **6.30pm** 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, 16th January.**

**Numbers Drawn were 26-15-9-25;**

Winners of the Lucky Dip 4 x €100 prizes were: T. Conway, M. Breen, R. McCabe, S. Power

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