

Parish Newsletter

**Second Sunday of Easter
28th April 2019**



No: 1699

John: 20:19-31

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday!

***We will mark this extraordinary Feast of Mercy
in the Church of Our Lady & St, David***



The Disciples are still behind closed doors in today's Gospel. Jesus seemed to notice that these doors which remained closed into the evening hours might be a long time opening from the inside so He came and stood among them. Opening up our inner landscape is a natural longing that we possess, but doing so can feel daunting because like the Disciples it makes us vulnerable. It is hard to open up this inner landscape and that is why we need one another and faith communities in which we can do this together. When we join together at Sunday Eucharist our very presence, our togetherness, our prayers, our songs and our chats on the way in and out of Church is a powerful witness to our faith. We come together in peace. Oliver Wendell Holmes once said 'there is simplicity on the other side of complexity' and Jesus knew that the simple gesture of offering peace to the Disciples in that room would strengthen their faith and belief in themselves. Like the Disciples we need to develop the simplicity on the other side of our complex lives. We only have this time to be whom we desire. The Indian Taxi Driver in the film "Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel" either misquoting the old adage (there is no time like the present) or said intentionally "Ah yes there is no present like this time". Jesus by offering the Disciples 'Peace' was gently but definitely nudging them to move out of their comfort zones where Pope Francis repeatedly begs us to go. Pope Francis encourages us to 'trade in the sofa for a pair of walking shoes' by setting out on new and uncharted paths to seek out those who are poor, suffering, different from us and marginalized in society. This is surely being in touch with Divine Mercy and showing compassion and mercy to each other. In other words in this Easter season we are encouraged to seek out those whom the Salvadoran Theologian Jon Sobrino calls the "crucified people" or the "people of little or no consequence". These are the people Pope Francis encourages us to seek out and Jon Sobrino asks that we "take down from the Cross" by applying the "principle of mercy".

On this Divine Mercy Sunday maybe we should revisit what Pope Francis clarified during the year of Mercy when he suggested that Mercy is about taking small steps towards the God of Mercy and conversion preferably with one another. He wants us to enter "more deeply into the heart of the Gospel where the poor have a special experience of God's Mercy and accompany them to a better place".

Divine Mercy Sunday 28th April

The Feast of the Divine Mercy will be celebrated in the Church of Our Lady & St David, Sallins Road, Naas.

Confessions 2.15pm-3pm

Holy Hour 2pm

Benediction 2.45pm

Mass 3pm commencing with the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy and the Solemn Blessing of Image of the Divine Mercy. **Public Veneration of Image** will take place immediately after Mass. All personal images of Divine Mercy brought to the Church on this day will be blessed.

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

PRIEST ON DUTY: 085 708 8407

PARISH WEBSITE: www.naasparish.ie

PARISH OFFICE Tel.: 045 879730

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 5pm

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SACRISTY OUR LADY AND ST DAVID: Tel 045 856925

BALLYCANE OFFICE AND SACRISTY : Tel 045 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 Zygodlo	(Part-time)	087 7076708

Safeguarding Policy displayed in all Church Porches.

MASS TIMES

CHURCH OF OUR LADY & 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 & 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 & ST DAVID, SALLINS ROAD

Every First Friday before the 10am Mass

Every Saturday after the 10am Mass

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

Naas: Geraldine Faherty & Adrian King

Sallins: Keith Murphy, Emer McCarthy & Dermot McGilloway

Two Mile House: Paula Clancy & Suzanne Powell.

All of the above can be contacted through the Parish Office, Sallins Road, Naas. Phone 045 879730.

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person: Mr Mick Daly

Deputy Diocesan Liaison Person: Ms Michele Hughes

C/o Bishop's House, Dublin Rd, Carlow. 085 802 1633

FEAST AND MEMORIAL DAYS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

Monday 29th: St Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

Thursday 2nd May: St Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Friday 3rd May: SS Philip & James, Apostles

Saturday 4th May: St Conleth, Bishop

RECENT BAPTISMS

NAAS:

Glenn Paul Moore, Naas



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

NAAS:

Michael Mannion, Ballymore Rd., Naas



MAY HE REST IN PEACE

NAAS PARISH NEWS

Marian Movement Prayers for Priests meet each month in OLSD, Naas after the 10am Mass. Next meeting is Saturday 4th May. All are welcome.

Mothers Prayers in Ballycane Church every Wednesday at 8.15pm. All welcome.



Rosary: The Rosary is recited before all weekday Masses in our two Naas Churches commencing a half hour before the scheduled Mass time. Please join us if you can or on Parish Radio, 107.3FM, or by Parish webcam.

Every Wednesday, in OLSD, Naas from 2pm-3.30pm a member of the Legion of Mary prays the Holy Rosary for Priests. Everyone is welcome for all or part of the Rosary.

Holy Face of Jesus Prayer Meeting every Wednesday after the 7.30pm Mass/Prayer Services in Room 2, COIM, Ballycane. Please call Caoimhe on 085 2525612 if you would like more information.

SALLINS PARISH NEWS

Sallins 45th Annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes, 14th June, 7 nights full board, Hotel Jeanne D'Arc. €830 per person sharing. For further information please contact Rita Fanning on 045 850929 or 087 6535112. The Spiritual Director is Fr. Michael.

TWO MILE HOUSE PARISH NEWS

Weekday Morning Mass is celebrated from Monday to Thursday at 9.15am. Friday eve Mass at 7pm.

GENERAL NOTICES

Irish Wheelchair Association: Church gate collection will take place next weekend, Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th May. All support is greatly appreciated.

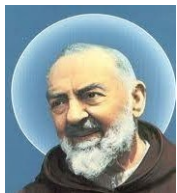
Annual Pilgrimage to Medjugorje: 30th May - 6th June, €709. The Spiritual Director is Fr Liam. Please see posters in Church porches/Parish Office for details or call John/Catherine at 086 8563773.



Minister of the Word Training Course for new and existing Parish readers: Three night course, May 2nd, 9th and 16th, Áras Bhríde, Kildare Town, 7.30-9pm, tel. Parish Office on 045 879730 for more information.

Training Course for New & Existing Parish Baptism Teams:

Tuesday May 7th (Cathedral Parish Centre, Carlow) 7.30-9.30pm, Wednesday May 8th (Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow) 7.30-9.30pm and Tuesday May 14th (Cathedral Parish Centre, Carlow) 7.30-9.30pm. This three night course is open to new and existing teams. It will include an exploration of home visits as well as central preparation meetings. Please contact Parish Office on 045 879 730 for more information.



St Pio's Glove will be in the home of Betty Malone, Shindella, Rathangan (on the Rathangan - Monasterevin Rd.) today, Sunday 28th April, 11am-5pm. Please contact Betty at 045 525094. Religious items relating to St Pio will be on sale on the day. Everyone welcome.

Knock; Celebrating the 140th anniversary of the Apparition that took place there on the 21st August 1879. **National Novena in honour of Our Lady of Knock** will take place from August 14th-22nd inclusive. For all info./enquiries please visit www.knockshrine.ie, email info@knockshrine.ie or call 094 9388100.



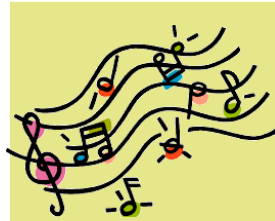
Kildare and Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, led by most Reverend Bishop Denis Nulty, 1st-6th August 2019, €759 per person. The Pilgrimage is being organised in conjunction with Joe Walsh Tours and the Spiritual Director is Fr Alex.

Booking forms are available from the Parish Office, Sallins Road.

KARE Naas Branch urgently need help with their bucket collection on Tuesday 30th April from 11.30am - 4pm and 6.15pm - 7.30pm. If you can help, please call Fran on 086 0843577. KARE's AGM will take place on Monday May 13th at 8pm, Blessington Road, Naas. New members are very welcome.

Kildare Alzheimer Society Social Club: Every Friday, Newbridge Parish Centre, 11am to 1pm, all welcome. Please call 086 145 0663 for more info.

St Vincent de Paul Society - Part time assistant needed in Vincents furniture shop, Friary Road. Application forms are available in the shop for those interested.



McAuley Place Fundraising

Concert: McAuley Place are holding a Fundraising concert in the Osprey Hotel on Saturday May 11th at 7pm. It will be an evening of music to suit everyone

featuring Ballymore Eustace Concert Band & St. Mary's Brass and Reed Band. Tickets available from McAuley Place, Barker and Jones Bookshop and Eventbrite.ie at €15/€12 (Over 65s & Students). All support greatly appreciated.

The Child in our Midst: St Patrick's College, Maynooth will host a conference on the subject of childhood, the Spiritual life of the Child and their place in the Community of Faith on June 7th & 8th. If you would like to register, please visit www.eventbrite.ie and for more info. please email specialevents@spcm.ie.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

"The church and the world have a great need of Adoration" **Pope John Paul II**

Adoration Times

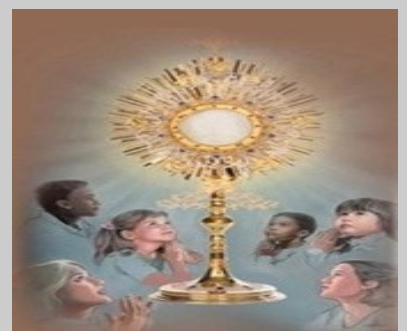
Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane, Naas

Monday - Friday 10am - 7pm

Wednesday, after the 7.30pm Mass - 9.30pm

Our Lady and the Guardian Angels, Sallins

Tuesday, after the 10am Mass - 11am



"If we really loved the good God we should make it our joy and happiness to come and adore Him" **St John Vianney**

GENERAL NOTICES

The RSA's 'Check it Fits' Service is coming to Naas! This service is quick, easy and free. Experts on the day will advise you on how to fix any problem with your child's car seat, demonstrate how to fit the restraint correctly and answer any queries you may have. Their aim is to put your mind at ease that your child's car seat is safely and securely fitted in your car. RSA experts will be in Crossings Motor Centre, Sallins Road, Naas on Wednesday 1st May from 10am-5.30pm.



Naas Library Free Events including Age Friendly OWL (wood carving) Programme, 'Work Matters' Programme - Interviews Guidelines and techniques, Moviedrome Film Club and Storytime. All events are free of charge and are open to everyone. Booking is required for some events. For further information or to book please call 045 879111, visit www.kildare.ie/library or please email naaslib@kildarecoco.ie.

County Kildare LEADER Partnership are delivering a free 'Finding your Feet' Personal Development Programme to help you move forward. This programme is delivered over 4 weeks, 2 mornings per week (9.30am-12.30pm). Registration morning on Tuesday coming 30th April, 9.30am in Monread Community Centre, Naas. The course commences on 7th May 2019. If you would like more information, please contact Theresa 086 0257061.



Naas Racecourse

Naas Town Goes Racing! Naas Racecourse has launched a new initiative which aims to encourage locals to embrace their local racetrack and to connect with the local community in a meaningful way. This initiative will include various activities over the next few months including an art competition for schools and a Naas Tidy Towns Competition. The Naas Town Goes Racing will take place on Saturday 6th July. The day itself will feature top class racing and will include lots of activities for families and children including face painting, novelty mascot characters, live music and a BBQ. For more details please contact Jackie Donohue at Naas Racecourse on 045 897391.

Local Elections 2019, Naas Local Electoral Area: To find out if you have been affected by the recent boundary changes in County Kildare, please check the register of Electors at your local library/post office/Garda station, on www.checktheregister.ie or by contacting Kildare County Council Franchise Section at 045 980201/by email to register@kildarecoco.ie. The townlands of Kilashee, Swordlestown North and South will now vote in The Bank Hall, Ballymore Eustace (previously Two Mile House NS).

Sports Lottery Results:

Naas: 18/04 (2-10-13-26) No Winner, Jackpot €9,400

Sallins: 23/04 (4-5-13-15) No Winner, Jackpot €3,800



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Lord of Mercy, help me today to begin to understand what mercy is all about. Help me to first be open to the mercy You wish to bestow upon me. As I receive Your own Divine Mercy, help me also to be an instrument of that mercy for all to see. Jesus, I trust in You.



Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw

You could Win €1,500.....

on Wednesday, 1st May 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, 24th April.

Numbers Drawn were 6-11-7-4;

Winners of the Lucky Dip 4 x €100 prizes were: L. Vigna, MI. & M. Mattimoe, M. & T. Gunning, M. Kelly

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