

# Parish Newsletter

**Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 14th July 2019**

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## THE GOOD SAMARITAN

I often read the story of the Good Samaritan imagining that one day I will display the kind of heroic behaviour the Samaritan displays. Surely when the time arrives, I will willingly extend a hand and condescend myself to scoop someone out of a ditch. Yet, the actual story of the Good Samaritan does not contain any clear heroes or dramatic rewards for good deeds.

Even the villains, the Levite and the priest, do not commit acts of profane violence. They make split-second decisions: to walk on the other side of the street, to avert their eyes. This act of overlooking, ignoring, or passing those who lie before us in need is an act we have all committed. The Samaritan, in contrast, simply chooses to look, to notice, to draw near, and to respond.

To Jesus' audience, the Samaritan is heretical and corrupt, about as unclean as the bleeding man in the ditch. Yet, it is the unclean Samaritan who cleans and restores the wounded man. How do we admit the depth of our need so that we allow those we would prefer remain at arm's length to come and rescue us? What if our rescuers arrive in the form of our enemies? Or as someone we distrust, hate, stereotype, or toward whom we feel prejudiced? Someone who doesn't speak the same language or worship the same God? Will we let these strangers bind our wounds?

Perhaps this parable teaches that the most neighbourly thing we can do is submit ourselves to one another.

### PRAYER:

*Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love. Where there is injury, pardon. Where there is doubt, faith. Where there is despair, hope. Where there is darkness, light. Where there is sadness, joy. O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled, as to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to love. For it is in giving that we receive. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life. Amen.*



## FEAST AND MEMORIAL DAYS FOR THE COMING

### WEEK:

Mon. 15th July: St Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

## RECENT BAPTISMS

### NAAS:

Anessa Samira Chaieb, Naas

### SALLINS:

James Lee Peter Higgins, Athy

Sienna Walsh, Sallins

Eryk Theo Knet-Pach, Osberstown

### Sacrament of Baptism:

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



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

### NAAS:

Rosemary Burke-Ryan, Kingsfurze

**MAY SHE REST IN PEACE**



***Cemetery Mass at St Corbans Cemetery will  
take place on Wednesday, 21st August  
2019 at 7.30pm.***

## NAAS PARISH LOTTO:

**You could win the Jackpot of €3,650 this  
Wednesday coming 17th July.**

**There was NO Winner of the Jackpot on  
Wednesday last, 10th July.**

**Numbers Drawn were 18-21-16-25; There  
were four Lucky Dip winners of €100 each.**

The draw takes place at **6.30pm** at the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane and all are welcome to attend the draw.

You can join at anytime, tickets €2 per week from the Parish Offices & various outlets in the town.

### NAAS PARISH NEWS

**Padre Pio:** Next meeting will take place on Friday 19th July after the 7.30pm evening Mass in CIM, Ballycane with Benediction and Prayers. All welcome.

**Summer Mass Schedule for CIM, Ballycane: Weekday Mass Change for July and August:** 7.30pm Mass will take place on **Friday evenings only**. Adoration will continue as normal during this period. Normal schedule of Masses resumes Monday 2nd September.

### SALLINS PARISH NEWS

**Eucharistic Adoration** in Sallins will be suspended for July and August.

### TWO MILE HOUSE PARISH NEWS

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

### GENERAL NOTICES

**Kildare and Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** Three more weeks to go! Led by most Reverend Bishop Denis Nulty, from 1st-6th August 2019, the Pilgrimage is being organised in conjunction with Joe Walsh Tours and Spiritual Director is Fr Alex. For all enquiries, please contact Parish Office, Sallins Road.

**Franciscan Lourdes Sick Pilgrim Fund** would like to say a very sincere thank you to all who helped make their cake sale/coffee morning a big success on Sunday last. A special thank you to McAuley Place for the use of their tea rooms as venue on the day. Total raised was €600 and this is much appreciated.

**Our Lady's Island Annual Pilgrimage** takes place on Sunday 28th July. Bus €20, departing from Church of Our Lady and St David, Sallins Road at 11.15am. For bookings, please call Maureen on 087 2077044 or John on 086 8563773. *St Joseph's Young Priests Society.*

**Online Registration now open for Communion and Confirmation:** Any candidate who would like to apply in the coming year 2019/2020, please visit [naasparish.ie](http://naasparish.ie) to register. Closing date is *Friday 18th October 2019*. Anyone who is outside of the Parish school system and who wishes to apply, please contact the Parish Office, Sallins Road asap. Thank you.

**Reek Sunday 2019, Sunday 28th July:** The Annual National Pilgrimage to Croagh Patrick takes place on Sunday 28th July. Mass will be celebrated on the summit of the mountain on the hour with the first Mass at 8am and the last Mass at 2pm. Confessions will be available on the summit from 7.30am to 2pm.

**Multiple Sclerosis Kildare Branch** will hold a Church gate collection at all Masses this weekend, Sat. 13th and Sun. 14th July at Naas, Ballycane and Sallins Churches.

**Lough Derg 2019:** The Three Day Pilgrimage is currently open. You may begin on any day and this will be open to all up until Tuesday 13th August. Advance booking is not necessary. The Lough Derg team can help you to co-ordinate public transport or link up with Pilgrimage organisers in your locality. Please phone Lorraine on 071 986 1518 or email [info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org) for more information and all enquiries.

**Nás Na Riogh Active Retirement Association;** Next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 17th July at 2pm in the Townhouse Hotel, Newbridge Road.



**Naas Flower and Garden Club Summer Gathering** will take place on Thursday 18th July in Caragh Community Centre at 7.30pm with floral demonstration, raffle, light refreshments, bric a brac and much more on the night.

Entertainment by local group 'The Hideout'! Admission is €10, payable at the door. *Come along for a great night!*

**Naas Community Men's Shed** are holding a music session at 8.30pm in their new shed on the Dublin Road (at entrance to Kingsfurze estate) on Thursday 18th July at 8.30pm. Everyone is very welcome.

**A 'Thank you' from Team Hope** for all the support received from our Parish and from Churches across the country. Last year, because of this support, Team Hope were able to send over 250,000 donated shoebox gifts to help vulnerable children overseas! Team Hope were also able to fund development projects in 14 countries across Africa and Eastern Europe. *Team Hope always appreciates your prayers and support so please remember our work when you can. Thank you.*

**Kildare Animal Foundation Open Day:** Today, Sunday 14th July at 1pm. Celebrating 25 years! Free admission and something for all the family on the day. NO dogs allowed on the day, thank you!

**Learn to play Bridge:** Starting Sept. 2019 in Maudlins House Hotel, Thursday nights 7.30pm-10pm. Contact Kathie McGrath for all enquiries on 086 153 7417.

### Sports Lottery Results:

**Naas:** 04/07 (17-20-21-22) No Winner, Jackpot €10,000

**Sallins:** 08/07 (4-7-21-24) No Winner, Jackpot €4,900

### Parish Finances:

**Sallins:** Baskets: €1060 Envelopes: €450

**Naas:** Offertory: €3225 Development Fund: €3335

**Two Mile House:** €1740