

Parish Newsletter



**Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
29th September 2019**

No: 1721

Lk 16:19-31

World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2019

Throughout history, humans have migrated across the globe, making their homes in new places. Yet, at this moment, we are experiencing the largest migrant and refugee crisis in modern history. Conflict, poverty and violence have forced tens of millions of people away from their homelands into unknown futures because the insecurity of the journey is preferable to the unsafe conditions in their own homes and countries.



We know God is with our sisters and brothers seeking refuge. Will we answer the call to stand with them and recognise that we share their journey?

From Deuteronomy 10:17-19:

For the Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who is not partial and takes no bribe, who executes justice for the orphan and the widow and who loves the strangers, providing them food and clothing. You shall also love the stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt.

Long have we known that your heart is with the migrant and refugee: that you were born into time in a family of refugees fleeing violence in their homeland, who then gathered up their hungry child and fled into an alien country. Their cry, your cry resounds through the ages: 'Will you let me in?' Give us hearts that break open when our brothers and sisters turn to us with that same cry. Then surely all these things will follow: Ears will no longer turn deaf to their voices. Eyes will see a moment for grace instead of a threat. Tongues will not be silenced but will instead advocate. And hands will reach out - working for peace in their homeland, working for justice in the lands where they seek safe haven. Lord, protect all migrants and refugees in their travels. May they find a friend in me and so make me worthy of the refuge I have found in you. Amen.

(This prayer is excerpted from the Solidarity Vigil for Refugees)

Migrant Sunday

It is not just about migrants...

It is not just about migrants: it is also about our fears and hurts.

It is not just about migrants: it is about charity and compassion.

It is not just about migrants: it is about our humanity.

It is not just about migrants: it is a question of seeing that no one is abandoned or excluded.

It is not just about migrants: it is about putting the last in first place.

It is not just about migrants: it is about the whole person, about all people.

It is not just about migrants: it is about building the city of God.

Litany based on the message of Pope Francis for World Day of Migrants and Refugees.

Reminder - Solemn Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help for Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House Parishes will take place from Friday 4th October to Saturday 12th October inclusive. Full line up of speakers now available on fliers and posters within the Church porches.

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

PRIEST ON DUTY: 085 708 8407

PARISH WEBSITE: www.naasparish.ie

PARISH OFFICE Tel.: 045 879 730

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 5pm

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SACRISTY OUR LADY AND ST DAVID: Tel 045 856 925

BALLYCANE OFFICE AND SACRISTY : Tel 045 895 629

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 1pm

PARISH TEAM

Fr. Liam Morgan	Sallins Road	087 1337879
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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

Safeguarding Policy displayed in all Church Porches.

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:

Mon. 30th Sept.:	St Jerome, Priest & Doctor of the Church
Tues. 1st Oct.:	St Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church
Wed. 2nd Oct.:	The Guardian Angels
Fri. 4th Oct.:	St Francis of Assisi

RECENT BAPTISMS

Tomás David McKinlay, Oldtown Walk
Matthew Thomas Moore, Morell Dale
Indie Caroline O'Reilly, Suncroft
Rose Amelie Lavelle-Butler, Finlay Park
Lorcan James McGee, Monread Crescent
Dylan Walsh, Oldbridge Station



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

Jim Kinlon, Roseville
Kevin McAllister, late of Naas
Eilis Costello, Station Bridge, Sallins
Pakie Downey, Limerick

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



NAAS PARISH NEWS

Change to Mass times during the Novena: There will be no weekday evening Masses, Monday to Friday, in CIM, Ballycane during the Novena. (Friday 4th - Friday 11th inclusive). Saturday evening Masses as usual at 7.30pm during this time.

Marion Movement Prayers for Priests: Next meeting will take place on Saturday 5th October after the 10am Mass in OLSD, Naas. All welcome.

Little Blessings Children's Liturgy Group will resume on Sunday 13th October in Ballycane Church. Children can be dropped to room 4, before Mass, at 10.20am. All children over four are very 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 in at any stage. When finished, all return to the Mass before the offertory.

Reminder! Online Registration is open for Communion and Confirmation 2020. Any candidate who would like to apply for the Sacraments of First Holy Communion or Confirmation in the coming year 2019/2020, please visit naasparish.ie to register. Please note that this will close automatically on *Friday 18th October 2019*. Any candidate who wishes to apply and who is outside of the Parish school system, please make contact with the Parish Office, Sallins Road on 045 879 730 as soon as possible. Thank you.

SALLINS PARISH NEWS

Féile na Sollán, 3ú-6ú Deireadh Fómhair. Sonraí feilenasollan.com. Fáilte roimh cách. **Sallins Tradfest** 3rd - 6th October, further details available at feilesollan.com. All are very welcome!

TWO MILE HOUSE PARISH NEWS

Weekday morning Mass as usual this week, from Monday to Thursday at 9.15am. Friday evening Mass at 7pm. Masses in TMH will take place as normal during the Novena period.

NOTICE BOARD

Involved in Parish Ministry? A day of prayer, reflection, good company and renewal for all involved in Parish Ministry, led by Fr Martin Delaney, Mount St Anne's, Killenard, Co. Laois. Saturday 12th October, 10.30am-4pm. €10 per person, places are limited so please book with Faith Development Services by 8th October on 059 916 4084 or email fds@kandle.ie.

We are very pleased to announce a *new Parish Confirmation Programme* which will run over three consecutive Thursdays in November, taking place on the 14th, 21st and 28th of November from 7.30pm-8.30pm in Ballycane Church. These sessions will be child friendly, interactive and engaging. The sessions will be led by members of the Parish team and Froebel students from Maynooth. As numbers are very limited, places will be allocated on a first come first served basis. You can book your child's place by emailing office@naasparish.net with your child's name and phone number or by calling in to the Parish Office on Sallins Road by Friday 4th October. These three sessions are voluntary and are an addition to the preparations which the children will receive in school. There is no obligation to attend this programme and your child will be fully prepared for the Sacrament of Confirmation in school alongside attending the Enrolment Ceremony and Ceremony of Light. But we would love to see as many children at the sessions as possible!

Today is Safeguarding Sunday: Bishop Nulty, together with the Diocesan Safeguarding Committee, are happy to announce the first safeguarding Sunday event in the Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin, this day aims to communicate our safeguarding message in a creative and innovative way.

Diocesan Prayer of Healing for Victims of Abuse

Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts, heal your peoples wounds, and transform brokenness into wholeness.

Give us, as a diocese, courage and wisdom, humility and grace to always act with justice. Breathe wisdom into our prayers and efforts.

Grant that all who have been harmed by abuse may be healed.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

St Brigid, pray for us. St Conleth, pray for us. St Laserian, pray for us.

Celebrating 150 Years! - Church of Our Lady and St Joseph, Prosperous was built in 1869 and so is 150 years old this year. On Sunday 6th October a celebratory Mass will take place at 10am in the Church. Bishop Denis Nulty will be the main celebrant. This will be followed by a historical exhibition in the school adjacent. All are welcome to help us celebrate!

Resurrexit Community, Kilmeague, Naas: for Spiritual and Human development, please visit www.resurrexit.ie.

Naas Active Retirement Members only meeting this Wed. 2nd October at 2pm in Naas Community Centre.

Gala Night-Friends of Naas Hospital The Dublin Gospel Choir & the Kilcullen Gospel Choir will perform together in concert on Fri. 11th October at 7.30pm in St Brigid's Church, the Curragh, in order to raise money for Friends of Naas General Hospital. Tickets are €15 each, available from Naas Parish Office, Friends of Naas Hospital Committee Members and also Naas Hospital reception.

The Charity "Touch Ireland, Supporting Vulnerable Children in 'Our World'" would like to say a sincere thank you to everyone who contributed to their recent flag day in Naas which raised €3,129.

Irish Wheelchair Association (IWA) will be holding their church gate collection next weekend, Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th Oct. All support gratefully appreciated.

Bridge in St Davids Club resumes play on Wednesday 2nd October in Care of the Aged, Newbridge Road. New members most welcome. All enquiries to Catherine at 087 220 0005.

Sports Lottery Results:

Naas: 19/09 (3-10-14-15) No Winner, Jackpot €10,000

Sallins: 23/09 (1-3-4-7) No Winner, Jackpot €6,000

Parish Finances:

Sallins: Baskets: €630 Envelopes: €320

Naas: Offertory: €3,120 Development Fund: €3,300

Two Mile House: €590

This Friday, 4th October, is the Feast Day of St Francis of Assisi.

In celebration of this day, all are welcome to join us for a Blessing of Pets outside the Church of Our Lady & St David, Naas on Saturday 5th October at 12 noon.



We look forward to welcoming all children, who are preparing for their First Holy Communion, at Masses this weekend for the first of our monthly Communion Masses. Communion children will participate at the following Masses: OLSD, Naas: Saturday 6pm (Vigil) and Sunday 11am, CIM, Ballycane: Sunday 12 noon, TMH Church: Sunday 11am, Sallins Church: Sunday 12 noon. We wish them all well.

Please see below dates for our First Holy Communion and Confirmation Ceremonies 2020; these are also available on our website www.naasparish.ie, along with dates of First Reconciliation, Confirmation Enrolment Ceremonies and Ceremony of Light dates.

First Holy Communion Dates (May 2020)

<i>School</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
St Corban's	Saturday 16 th May	10am	CIM, Ballycane
Killashee MDNS	Saturday 16 th May	11am	TMH Church
Mercy Convent	Saturday 16 th May	12 noon	OLSD, Naas
Holy Child, Ballycane	Saturday 16 th May	12 noon	CIM, Ballycane
Two Mile House	Saturday 16 th May	1pm	TMH Church
Naas Community National School	Sunday 17 th May	10.30am	CIM, Ballycane
St. Laurence's, Sallins	Saturday 23 rd May	10am, 12pm & 2pm	Sallins Church
Gaelscoil	Saturday 23 rd May	11am	CIM, Ballycane
Scoil Bhríde	Saturday 23 rd May	12 noon	OLSD, Naas

Confirmation Dates (February/March 2020)

<i>School</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Venue</i>
St Corban's	Friday 28 th February	10.30am	CIM, Ballycane
Mercy Convent	Friday 28 th February	12pm	OLSD, Naas
Holy Child, Ballycane	Friday 28 th February	2.30pm	CIM, Ballycane
Gaelscoil	Saturday 29 th February	11am	CIM, Ballycane
St Laurence's, Sallins	Saturday 29 th February	11am 2pm	Sallins Church
Scoil Bhríde	Saturday 29 th February	12pm	OLSD, Naas
Two Mile House	Saturday 29 th February	2pm	TMH Church
Naas Community National School	Sunday 1 st March	10.30am	CIM, Ballycane
Killashee MDNS	Sunday 1 st March	11am	TMH Church

Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw

You could Win €6,400 on Wednesday, 2nd October in the Parish Lotto Draw

The draw takes place at **6.30pm** at the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane .

There was NO WINNER of the Jackpot on Wednesday last, 25th September.

Numbers Drawn were 26-1-18-13;

