

# Parish Newsletter

**Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
6th October 2019**



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## Celebrating Mercy Day

Our grateful appreciation to all parents, guardians and Communion children who last weekend began their preparation for the Sacraments of First Confession and First Holy Communion. It was very heartening to see the boys and girls with their parents participate so fully in the celebration of Sunday Mass. Thank you!

The photo below commemorates Mercy Day and its founder Catherine McAuley. Today, we recognise and acknowledge the enormous contribution made by the Mercy Sisters and the Christian Brothers to education here in Naas.

We are blessed that the Sisters and Brothers continue to live and minister among us. In the photo below, Sr. Maureen is pictured with School Principal Ms. Jacqueline O'Reilly and Teachers Bernie McCauliffe and Helena Twomey along with pupils who attended the Mercy Day Mass on Tuesday last.



## October 2019 - The Extraordinary Month of Mission

October is already established in the Minds and Hearts of the universal Church as Mission Month. However, this year it will have even greater significance. The Holy Father has announced October 2019 as the Extraordinary Month of Mission which will be an extra special month of prayer and action to help strengthen and grow God's Mission and the Church.

The four aims are:

- ◆ To encourage Catholics into a deeper relationship with Jesus through prayer
- ◆ To look to, and learn from, the actions and sacrifices made by our saints, martyrs and living missionaries
- ◆ To rediscover and renew our understanding of overseas mission
- ◆ To financially support overseas mission



### PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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

**PARISH OFFICE** Tel.: 045 879 730

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

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**BALLYCANE OFFICE AND SACRISTY :** Tel 045 895 629

**Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 1pm**

### PARISH TEAM

<b>Fr. Liam Morgan</b>	Sallins Road	<b>087 1337879</b>
<b>Fr. Alex Kochatt</b>	Lakelands	<b>045 898684</b>
<b>Fr. Michael Flattery</b>	Sunday's Well	<b>045 888112</b>
<b>Fr. Seán Maher</b>	Sallins Road	<b>045 897703</b>
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<b>Ms. Hilda Campbell</b>	Pastoral Admin. Asst.	<b>045 879730</b>

**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

Sun. 6th Oct.:	Day for Life
Mon. 7th Oct.:	Our Lady of the Rosary
Fri. 11th Oct.:	Children's Day of Mission Prayer St Canice, abbot

### RECENT BAPTISMS

Robyn Amira Doyle, Jigginstown Park

Niamh Jane Burkett, Caragh Court

Louisa Jane Moran, Kill

Ethan Joseph Coady, Kildare

Ellie Bennett, Pipers Hill



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

Michael Nash, Craddockstown Nursing Home

Andrew 'Andy' Kennedy, Fishery Lane, Naas

Sr Laserian Burke, late of Our Lady's Place

**MAY THEY REST IN PEACE**



## NAAS PARISH NEWS

**Sincere thank you** to all who contributed to the September Collection in support of the Priests of the Parish. Your support is always deeply appreciated.

**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.

**The Apostolic Work Society:** The Naas group of Apostolic workers would like to thank all who helped to make their exhibition and cake sale such a success on Sunday 16th June. Thank you to Fr Alex who offered the 12 noon Mass that day. People were very generous in their donations to our missionary work. **The next meeting of Apostolic workers** will be held in Ballycane Church on Tuesday 8th October at 2pm.

**Little Blessings Children's Liturgy Group** will resume next 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](http://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

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## TWO MILE HOUSE PARISH NEWS

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

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## NOTICE BOARD

**Today, Sunday 6th October, we celebrate 'Day for Life'.** The theme for this year is 'The Scourge of Domestic Abuse'. Day for Life is celebrated annually by the Catholic Church in Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales. It is a day dedicated to raising awareness of the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition.

*Jesus said:*

"The Spirit of the Lord has been given to me,  
for he has anointed me.

He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor,  
to proclaim liberty to captives  
and to the blind new sight,  
to set the downtrodden free,  
to proclaim the Lord's year of favour'.

*Luke 4:18-19*



**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](mailto:fds@kandle.ie).

**Naas Parish Shop** will have a small selection of religious items including items relating to Our Lady of Perpetual Help for sale in Our Lady and St David's Church, Naas on Thursday (10th October) and Friday (11th October) night of our Parish Novena. Please feel free to have a browse of these items before and after Mass.

**Nás Na Ríogh Active Retirement Association** will meet again on Wednesday 9th October at 2pm in **their new location** which is Ballycane Church. New Members welcome. Contact Ina on 085 877 7619 for more info.



**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.

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

**Caragh Parish Council have arranged a Triduum** (3 Monday nights in October) on the theme 'Healing & Hope': Bishop Denis Nulty will speak on Monday 7th Oct. at 8pm. Joan Freeman (formerly Pieta House) will speak on Monday 14th Oct. at 8pm. Julianne Moran (former member of the 'National Faith Development Team' will speak on Monday 21st Oct. at 8pm. Mass will be celebrated every night, everyone is very welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served after Mass.

## **PRIMARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS**

**Primary School Applications** for Junior Infants commences on Monday 21st October for the following schools; Scoil

Bhríde Naas, St Corban's B.N.S, Scoil an Linbh Íosa (Holy Child Primary School) and Mercy Convent Primary School. The closing date for the submission of applications is Friday 15th November at 3pm. Parents are encouraged to call to one school of their choice for an Application Form. Alternatively, depending on your school of choice, Application Forms may also be available to download from the school's website. Please contact schools for all further queries.

**Best Wishes to Naas Minor and Senior Hurling Teams** in their respective County Finals on Sunday 6th October in St Conleth's Park, Newbridge. The minor team will play at 1.45pm and the senior team at 3.30pm. All support is greatly appreciated!

**Naas Toastmasters** - Meeting on Wednesday 9th October at 8pm in Naas Townhouse Hotel. Improve your communication, leadership skills and have fun. Guests welcome!

**Naas CBS & St Marys Joint Fundraiser:** The organisers of the 'Wonderlights' event, which takes place in Palmerstown House this month, have decided to generously donate all ticket sales of their launch night, on Friday 18th October 6pm-8.30pm, to both schools. We are very grateful for this and we ask that when you are purchasing tickets online, at [www.wonderlights.ie](http://www.wonderlights.ie), to please use the coupon code STMARYSCBS on your booking. Thank you all for your kind support. 'Join us for an enchanting night walk experience by festival light, for all the family!'

**KARE Home Share Scheme:** Give a little time, make a big difference! Have you time to offer short breaks to an adult with an intellectual disability in your home for mid-week and weekend overnight breaks? You don't need a qualification—just energy, commitment and the desire to support a person with a disability in your community. Information and support are provided and you will be paid an allowance. If you are interested in helping, please contact Jennifer on 045 480 200.

**Art and Craft Market** in the Moat Theatre, Sunday 13th October, 11am-2pm. All welcome.



**"GROW" Community Mental Health Movement** will host a Community Education Programme over four Tuesdays from 7.30pm - 9.30pm starting on Tuesday 15th October in Naas Community Centre, McAuley Place. The course is entitled 'Understanding and Minding your Mental Health'. This course is free and all are welcome to attend. Ph. 057 935 1124, email: [midlandregion@grow.ie](mailto:midlandregion@grow.ie) for more info. or visit [www.grow.ie](http://www.grow.ie).

**Are you retired with a passion for your community?** Would you like to start or facilitate a new community project? Would you like to participate in a free 10 week programme with like minded people that's free of charge? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, 'On Track' is the programme for you! Older Voices Kildare and Kildare Wicklow Education and Training Board are holding this course in Naas on Wednesday mornings beginning in the next few weeks. To enrol or to get more info. please contact Denise on 087 141 1669 or email [oldervoiceskildare@gmail.com](mailto:oldervoiceskildare@gmail.com).

***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](mailto:office@naasparish.net) with your child's name and phone number or by calling in to the Parish Office on Sallins Road (closing date for bookings has been extended to Friday 11th 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!



#### **Sports Lottery Results:**

Naas: 26/09 (2-7-23-27) No Winner, Jackpot €10,000

Sallins: 30/09 (1-3-18-24) No Winner, Jackpot €6,100

#### **Parish Finances:**

**Sallins:** Baskets: €660 Envelopes: €540

**Naas:** Offertory: €3,425 Development Fund: €3,855

**Two Mile House:** €500

### **Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw**

**You could Win €6,650 on Wednesday, 9th 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, 2nd October.**

**Numbers Drawn were 15-11-22-20;**

Winners of the Lucky Dip €100 prizes were: P. & P. Cullen, C. Cleary, N. Murphy & M. Downey

*Tickets are available from the Parish Offices and can also be purchased from Whelans Menswear, Nolans Butchers, Barker & Jones, The Stationery Store, The Soda Bread Shop, Gouldings Hardware and Swans on the Green.*

