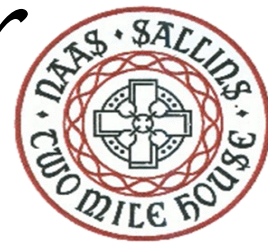


Parish Newsletter



Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

20th September 2020

Priest on Duty: 085 708 8407

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No: 1762

Mt. 20:1-16

Unequal Opportunities....

Jesus does not see things as we do. Time and time again in his parables, he turns our expectations upside down and helps us to see things in a different light. Today, he tells the story of the landowner who pays the same wages to all his workers – those who were hired at the crack of dawn and those who only joined late in the day. Naturally, the 'early birds' are put out by this – they feel it is unjust, even though they received the wage they were promised.

Maybe we sympathise with the complainers. In our individualistic society, we can fall into the trap of thinking that only certain people deserve good things. Those who work hard, who are law-abiding, who make the most of opportunities – they deserve a decent standard of living. Think of how often we hear people complaining about those who are struggling, saying they do not deserve assistance or 'handouts'? Such criticisms fail to take into account that not everyone has the same opportunities or privileges in life. But in this parable of Jesus, the landowner treats everyone the same, regardless of their productivity. He recognises that not all of them had the same opportunity – some were just luckier than others, in the right place at the right time. God is just and generous, and he expects us to have the same respect for everyone, regardless of their position in life.

Sadly we do not live in an equal world where everyone's dignity is respected and everyone has equal opportunities. In this Season of Creation, we are mindful in particular of the world's poor who suffer most as a result of environmental destruction – damage that is often caused by the comfortable lifestyles of others.

(Extract taken from Intercom Publication)

'Enlighten those who possess power and money that they may avoid the sin of indifference, that they may love the common good, advance the weak, and care for this world in which we live. The poor and the earth are crying out.' (Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'*)



Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw

There was **NO WINNER** of the €10,000 Jackpot on Wednesday last, 16th September.

Numbers Drawn were:

10 - 14 - 26 - 16

Lucky Dip winners of €100 each were: S. Byers, A. Barry, B. McCormack and E. Hughes.

The next draw will take place on **Wednesday 23rd September 2020 at 6.30pm** in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane.

No winner this week, so Jackpot stays at

€10,000!



Recent Baptisms

Faye Eileen Olive Floody, Embassy Manor
Muireann Kitty O'Sullivan, Finlay Park
Olivia Brock, Castle Farm
Henry Burgos Samelo, Morell Drive



Sacrament of Baptism: For those requesting the Sacrament of Baptism, please contact the Parish Offices. Full details also available on www.naasparish.ie.

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

Carmel Boyse, Rathasker Heights
Michael Nolan, Oldtown Rise

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



CURRENT MASS SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER 2020

CHURCH OF OUR LADY & ST DAVID, SALLINS ROAD

WEEKDAYS: Mon-Fri: 7:30am & 10am
Sat: 10am
Sat Vigil: 6pm

SUNDAYS: 9am, 11am & 6pm

CHURCH OF THE IRISH MARTYRS, BALLYCANE

WEEKDAYS: WEDNESDAY ONLY: 7.30pm
Sat Vigil: 7.30pm

SUNDAYS: 10.30am & 12noon

CHURCH OF OUR LADY & GUARDIAN ANGELS, SALLINS

WEEKDAYS: Tues & Fri: 10am
Sat Vigil: 6.30pm

SUNDAYS: 10am & 12noon

CHURCH OF ST PETER, TWO MILE HOUSE

WEEKDAYS: Mon-Sat: 9.30am
SUNDAYS: 11am

All Masses in OLSD & TMH Churches are available via webcam at naasparish.ie or by radio, from OLSD, at 107.3.

FEAST AND MEMORIAL DAYS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Monday 21st Sept.: St Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist
Wednesday 23rd Sept.: St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)

PARISH FINANCES

Naas:

Offertory: €1,555 Development Fund: €1,500
Online donations (10th-16th September): €1,071

Sallins:

Envelopes: €550 Baskets: €280

TMH:

€450

Sports Lottery Results:

Naas: 10/09 (2-5-8-23) No Winner, Jackpot €10,000

Sallins: 15/09 (2-3-4-22) No Winner, Jackpot €9,300

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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
Fr. Alex Kochatt	Lakelands	045 898684
Fr. Michael Flattery	Sunday's Well	045 888112
Dn. Fergal O'Neill	Parish Deacon	086 3816133

Safeguarding Policy displayed in all Church Porches.

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

Naas: Geraldine Faherty & Adrian King

Sallins: Dermot McGilloway

Two Mile House: Paula Clancy & Suzanne Powell

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person: Mr Mick Daly

Deputy Diocesan Liaison Person: Ms Michele Hughes, c/o Bishop's House, Dublin Rd, Carlow **Phone:** 085 802 1633



Coffee Morning in aid of Our Lady's Hospice, Harold's Cross. Thursday 24th September, 11am-3pm in the Moat Theatre. Please support if you can. Thank you.



Naas Tidy Towns AGM: Town House Hotel, Thursday 1st October at 8pm. All welcome. Bring your friends! Bring your neighbour! Are you new to Naas and would like to be involved?

If you would like to be involved but can't attend the AGM please send an email to info@naastidytowns.ie.

Found: Sum of money found in Naas on Monday 14th September. Please contact Parish Office on 045 879 730.

DONATE

We have updated the way you can donate online. You now have the option of donating to Naas, Sallins or Two Mile House Parishes. Equally, you can now choose to donate to the Priests Collection and/or Special Collections. Please visit naasparish.ie to have a look and if you have any questions, please call the Parish Office on 045 879 730 and we will be happy to assist you. Financially for the parish, like many other homes and businesses, it is a very challenging time as our income has largely disappeared. *We appreciate your continued generosity especially at this time.*



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