Parish Newsletter,

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time 27th September 2020

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No: 1763 Mt. 21:28-32



Welcome Fr. Robert

This weekend, we are delighted to welcome Fr. Robert Petrisor to our Parishes of Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House. Robert is 29 years old, ordained three years, and is a priest of the Archdiocese of Bucharest. He is one of five children, with both parents very much alive and well. We thank Fr. Robert for his willingness and generosity to come to our diocese and most especially that we will have the benefit of his youth, his enthusiasm and his energy. Robert, as you begin your ministry among us we assure you of our prayers and support. We wish you well as you settle in, finding your feet and adjusting to a new culture and a new language. Let us give Robert every support and encouragement. We pray God's blessing upon you at this time. And we thank God for your welcome presence among us.

Youth/Pastoral Minister - Welcome Trish

Another new face to our Parish is Trish O'Neill. Originally from Lisburn in Co. Down. Trish has lived for many years in Clane Parish. She has many years of experience working as a Pastoral worker in Clane, and for a period of time as a youth worker with the Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin. Trish still works for the Diocese as a trainer of safeguarding reps at Parish level, such experience will be a great asset to our three Parishes. Over the coming weeks and months, Trish will be visiting our schools and connecting with the many volunteer and ministry groups in the Parish. She is eager to get stuck in. Trish is married to Peter, together they have three adult daughters. We are delighted to have Trish joining the Parish Team and we wish her every good wish and blessing.



Parish Manager

A more familiar face takes on a new role! During the summer, the Parish Finance Committee asked Sarah to assume the newly created role of Parish Manager. We are delighted that Sarah accepted. Working closely with Katie in the Parish Office and with Mary and Esther in the Parish Shop. Together, they will continue to be the helpful, welcoming and reassuring face of the Parish going forward. In her new role, Sarah will keep an attentive eye on all day-to-day matters pertaining to our three parishes. In this new appointment, Sarah becomes a member of the Parish Team.

Fr. Liam Appointed Vicar Forane

During the summer and as part of the Diocesan Appointments, Fr. Liam was appointed Vicar Forane of Kildare and Leighlin North Deanery. The Northern Deanery comprises of seventeen Parishes. In his new role Fr. Liam will assist Bishop Denis in day-to-day matters relevant to the Deanery and the wider Diocese. In practice what it means is a few extra meetings throughout the year!

CURRENT MASS SCHEDULE OCTOBER 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: WED. & FRI. 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

<u>All</u> 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

Tues. 29th Sept.: Ss Michael, Gabriel and

Raphael Archangels

Wed. 30th Sept.: St Jerome, Priest & Doctor

of the Church

Thurs. 1st Oct.: St Therese of the Child Jesus,

Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Fri. 2nd October: The Guardian Angels

Recent Baptisms

Faye Dungan, Roseville

Isabella Kate Daly, Longstone

Olivia Finan, Stoneleigh

Muireann Teresa Morrissey, Naas

Liam John Byrne, Stoneleigh

Lucca Vieira Migacz, Gleann na Riogh

Bailey Caroline Meehan, Naas

Seán McInerney, Primrose Square

Isla Maeve Seery, Oldbridge Station

Sophie Maria Harrington Fitzpatrick, Oak Park

Sacrament of Baptism:

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

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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e-mail: office@naasparish.net

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 Fr. Alex Kochatt Lakelands 045 898684 Fr. Michael Flattery 045 888112 Sunday's Well Dn. Fergal O'Neill Parish Deacon 086 3816133 Fr. Robert Petrisor Sallins Road 045 879 730 Ms. Trish O'Neill Youth/Pastoral Minister 045 879 730 Ms. Sarah Farmer 045 879 730 Parish Manager

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

PARISH FINANCES

Naas:

Offertory: €1,845 Development Fund: €1,935 Online donations (17th-23rd September): €200

Sallins:

Envelopes: €360 Baskets: €150

TMH: €450

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

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

Sallins Tuesday Club

Due to Covid-19, the Tuesday Club will not resume this year. We will advise you of when it is safe to resume. Stay safe and well. Thank you. The Committee.



First Year Enrolment 2021 for St Marys College, Sallins Road, Naas

The First Year Enrolment Application Form, St Mary's College Admissions Policy and Annual Admissions Notice is now available on the school website, www.stmaryscollegenaas.ie.

Completed applications forms will only be accepted from Thursday 1st October - Thursday 22nd October (Enrolment Period). Application received outside this Parish school system, can contact the Parish Office, period will not be accepted.

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.



Online Registration for Communion and Confirmation 2021

Any candidate who would like to apply for the Sacraments in the coming

year 2020/21, please visit naasparish.ie to register. Closing date is Wednesday 28th October 2020. Anyone who wishes to apply who is outside of the Sallins Rd.

The Hook of Faith Zoom Conference

The team at 'The Hook of Faith' are pleased to announce a Zoom Conference for the missionary month of October that focuses on 'Evangelising Irish Culture Today'. Each session will be led by an expert speaker followed by 10 minutes of Q and A. Sessions begin at 8pm.

Please visit www.thehookoffaith.com for all enquiries and further information.

NAAS PARISH WEEKLY LOTTO DRAW

There was NO WINNER of the €10,000 Jackpot on Wednesday last, 23rd September.

Numbers Drawn were:

28 - 24 - 4 - 2





Lucky Dip winners of €100 each were: I. Kelly, A. McDonald, S. Doyle and P. O'Toole

The next draw will take place on Wednesday 30th September 2020 at <u>6.30pm</u> in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane.

No winner this week, so Jackpot stays at €10,000!

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.









Pray the Rosary during the month of October

Traditionally, the month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. We invite you to join in praying the Rosary this month, perhaps rediscovering the beauty of praying the Rosary.

In our Parish Shop (Sallins Road), we have a wide variety of rosary beads available. Please feel free to call in, have a browse and find the pair for you. We also have many gift rosary beads, including Wedding, Birthday and Communion rosaries.

Prices vary to suit everyone, and can range anywhere from 50cent to €20, depending on what you are looking for.

We have a broad selection and many different options available for children including children's rosary beads and prayer card, rosary colouring book. Perhaps a nice idea, to purchase a gift and teach your children or grandchildren how to pray the Rosary. A lovely activity to do together!





Many of our rosary beads also come with a 'How to Pray the Rosary' card but can be provided to anyone, if needed too. Rosary purses are also in stock.

We are open Monday-Friday 9.30am-5pm and Saturdays 9.30am-11.30am. We hope to welcome you soon.

Good Intentions

During the recent 'lockdown' due to the COVID-19 pandemic, many people found themselves turning to nature. There was a surge of interest in gardening. We tended to flower beds, planted seeds, started herb gardens. Lots of people commented that they noticed the birds singing for the first time in years. In the midst of challenging times, we found ourselves tuning in to the wonder of God's creation all around us. As life begins to return to 'normal', can we retain this sense of wonder and awe? In this Season of Creation, we are invited to discover the presence of God in creation, to give thanks for the gift of the earth, and to change our ways so that we may live in harmony with creation. This requires us to be constantly conscious of how we are living - to not just have good intentions but to follow through in our actions. In today's gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the two sons who are asked to go and work in their father's vineyard. The first son initially refuses, but then thinks better of it and gets to work. While the second son has good intentions, he doesn't follow through. When it comes to caring for the earth, good intentions are not enough. Our actions matter. We may have been careless in the past but a change of heart is happening, right across our society. It all starts with our actions, as individuals and communities. As we emerge from a challenging few months, let us use the Season of Creation to reflect on how we can do better - to reconnect with God's beautiful creation and do all we can to love and preserve it.

'Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognise that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light.' (Pope Francis, Laudato Si')

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