

Parish Newsletter

19th September 2021

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Feast Day of Padre Pio - Thursday 23rd September

Padre Pio (Francesco Forgione) was born to a southern Italian farm family, the son of Grazio, a shepherd. At age 15 he entered the novitiate of the Capuchin friars in Morcone, Italy and joined the order at age 19. He suffered many health problems, and at one point his family thought he had tuberculosis. He was ordained at age 22 on 10 August 1910.

While praying before a cross, he received the stigmata on 20 September 1918, the first priest ever to be so blessed. As word spread, especially after American soldiers brought home stories of Padre Pio following WWII, the priest himself became a point of pilgrimage for both the pious and the curious. He would hear confessions by the hour, reportedly able to read the consciences of those who held back. Reportedly able to bilocate, levitate and heal by touch.

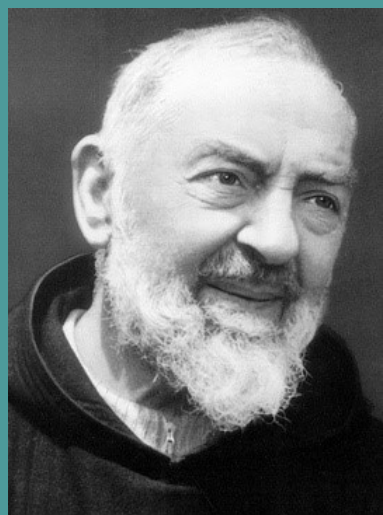
Padre Pio founded the House for the Relief of Suffering in 1956, a hospital that serves 60,000 people a year. In the 1920's he started a series of prayer groups that continue today with over 400,000 members worldwide.

He died on 23 September 1968 in San Giovanni Rotondo, Foggia, Italy of natural causes.



Beautiful interior of the Padre Pio Pilgrimage Church in the Italian town of San Giovanni Rotondo

On Thursday coming, 23rd September, at the 10am in Our Lady & St David's Church, we will celebrate his feast day with a special mass!



*"Pray, hope, and
don't worry.*

Worry is useless.

*God is merciful and will
hear your prayer."*

Padre Pio



Thank You!

We would like to express a heartfelt

thank you to Tom and Mary Cross (pictured to the left) along with Paddy Fortune (pictured to the right) of Sallins Parish for their tireless efforts and work in cleaning the Grotto and the Churchyard at Sallins Church, particularly over recent weeks where a huge amount of work has been carried out.

They are also painting the Church walls. Their hard work, all of which is voluntary, and the time they give is deeply appreciated by the parish.

Confirmations Continue!

We are delighted that Confirmation Ceremonies have now begun in the Parish and a reminder that they will continue over the coming weeks. Therefore, please note that there will be NO 10am Mass in Sallins Church on Friday coming, 24th September, as there will be a Confirmation Ceremony at this time. Similarly due to Confirmation being celebrated, there will be no 10am Mass in OLSD Church on Friday next, 1st October. We thank you for your understanding.



RETRouvaille "A Lifeline for Marriages"

Retrouvaille is the name of a programme designed to help heal and renew marriages. The word Retrouvaille, simply means 'rediscovery'. Their programme offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. This programme may be for you if you are; Anxious about your marriage relationship? Frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse? Thinking about separation or divorce? Finding that talking about it only makes it worse? Unable to see how to change your situation?

The Retrouvaille programme can help you rediscover each other in a new and positive way. It is for couples who finally realise that the pain and problems in their relationship will not ease unless they are willing to work at it themselves. For all further information and to find out more about Retrouvaille's programmes, please visit www.retrouvaille.ie.

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BALLYCANE OFFICE AND SACRISTY: 045 895 629

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 1pm

PARISH TEAM

Fr. Liam Morgan	Sallins Road	087 133 7879
Fr. Alex Kochatt	Lakelands	045 898 684
Fr. Michael Flattery	Sundays Well	045 888 112
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SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

Naas: Geraldine Faherty & Adrian King

Sallins: Dermot McGilloway, Emer McCarthy

Two Mile House: Paula Clancy & Suzanne Powell

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person: Kathleen Sherry

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

Safeguarding Policy displayed in all Church Porches.

Safeguarding Sunday 2021 takes place today, Sunday 19th September. This is a Sunday where we take the opportunity to thank the many volunteers in every area of parish life who ensure that the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults remains essential to our mission. The theme this year is *'Living Safeguarding'*.

A special video has been produced by the Diocesan Safeguarding Committee to mark 'Safeguarding Sunday'.

This will be available to view, over the coming days, on www.naasparish.ie and also on our parish Facebook page.

MASS TIMES - SEPTEMBER 2021

OUR LADY AND ST. DAVID, NAAS

WEEKDAYS: **Mon-Fri:** 7.30am & 10am

Sat: 10am

Sat Vigil: 6pm

SUNDAYS: 9am, 11am & 6pm

CHURCH OF THE IRISH MARTYRS, BALLYCANE

WEDNESDAYS: 7pm

SATURDAYS: 7.30pm

SUNDAYS: 10.30am & 12noon

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Mon - Fri, 10am - 6pm Ballycane Church

OUR LADY & THE GUARDIAN ANGELS, SALLINS

WEEKDAYS: **Fri:** 10am

(Tuesday morning Mass is postponed until further notice)

Sat Vigil: 6.30pm

SUNDAYS: 10am & 12noon

CHURCH OF ST PETER, TWO MILE HOUSE

WEEKDAYS: **Mon-Sat.:** 9.30am

SUNDAYS: 11am

Confessions take place in Sallins Church on Thursdays 2pm - 4pm and in Our Lady & St David's Church on Saturdays after the 10am Mass.

All Masses from the Parish Church, Two Mile House Church and Sallins Church are available via webcam through the Parish App or Parish Website (www.naasparish.ie). You can also join by radio, from OLSD only, at 107.3FM.

PARISH FINANCES

Naas: Offertory: €2,170 Development Fund: €2,170

Online donations (16th - 22nd Sept): €474

Tap & Go (16th - 22nd Sept): €220

Sallins: Envelopes: €350 Baskets: €195

TMH: €525

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

Patrick Stewart, Naas

Dermot Kane, Johnstown, formerly of Kilcullen Road, Naas

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



Annual County Kildare Social Inclusion Week

September 27th – October 1st 2021

Kildare Public Participation in collaboration with County Kildare Leader Partnership is delighted to announce the launch of Social Inclusion Week 2021. This has become an important event catering for the needs of many in the community. It is a fun, educational and insightful week with opportunities for services, organisations, community groups and educators from right across the county to showcase the work they do. Kildare has many initiatives that support individuals and communities affected by issues which can lead to social exclusion, such as poverty, unemployment, homelessness, disabilities, and migrant re-location to name just a few. It is imperative that these services have an opportunity to promote how they can support and engage people in the most positive way and that everyone is aware of the services available and how to access them. A calendar of events is now available at <https://www.kildareppn.ie/socialinclusionweek2021> For further info., please contact: gflaming@kildareppn.ie or maryh@countykildarelp.ie.

The RSA Check it Fits Service is now offering FREE virtual child car seat checks. Their new virtual service means that you can now have your child car seats checked by one of their expert checkers from the comfort and safety of your own home!

To avail of the new virtual service you can book an appointment at www.rsa.ie/checkitfits.

UNICEF: Help give a vaccine to those who are in need by supporting UNICEF's 'Get a Vaccine, Give a Vaccine' campaign. **Donation box now in the Parish Shop (Sallins Road). Please support if you can. Thank you.**

The Little Way Cancer Support Centre (Clane)

are hoping to run a weekly support group for those who have a diagnosis and are living with cancer or for those who have been bereaved by cancer. The aim of these groups will be to offer confidential help and support and to share and learn from each other's experiences. The groups will be facilitated by an experienced counsellor over six weeks. For more information or to register your interest, please contact us on 045 902996/087 298 3140 or by email to clane@little-way.org

(Mon - Fri, 10am - 2pm).

Autumn Pilgrimage at Solas Bhride Spirituality Centre, Kildare Town, Saturday, 25th September 10.00am - 1pm (Cost €20). Pilgrimage is a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with the natural world and sense the underlying unity of all creation. What better way to mark and celebrate the Season of Creation than by pilgrimage. You may wish to bring a packed lunch to enjoy when you have completed the pilgrimage. Tea/coffee supplied by Solas Bhride. To book one of the limited spaces or for more info. visit www.solasbhride.ie or phone 045 522 890 (10am - 5pm).

Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw!

You could win a jackpot of €4,500 on Wednesday 22nd September!

There was **NO WINNER** of the €4,250 Jackpot on Wednesday last 15th September.



Numbers Drawn were:

6 - 25 - 5 - 2;



Winners of the Lucky Dip €100 prizes were:

V. Scriven, E. Murphy, A. Roche & Anon

To be in with a chance of winning, don't forget to purchase your ticket! Tickets can be bought from the Parish Offices, Sallins Road and Ballycane, and from various outlets in the town. Tickets are €2 each and you can join at any time!

Thank you all for your support.

You can also now purchase your Lotto online at www.naasparish.ie or on the 'Naas Parish App'!