

Parish Newsletter

10th October 2021

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time



No: 1816

Mk. 10:17-30

First Holy Communion Day

Over the next few weeks over 400 children from our schools will make their First Holy Communion. Our parishes include Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House. Think of it, that is a cross section of our communities. First Holy Communion involves our Churches, parents and families, schools and parishioners.



We get sentimental when we think back to that day of our own First Holy Communion. What are the main memories that stand out? Think of the people that were good to you. We trace our practice of the faith back to that time. Of course, there have been ups and downs over the years.

St John Paul II in 1994 addressed children making their First Holy Communion around that time. *“Dear friends, there is no doubt that an unforgettable meeting with Jesus is First Holy Communion day, a day to be remembered as one of life’s most beautiful.”* *“The Eucharist, instituted by Christ at the Last Supper on the night before his Passion is a sacrament of the New Covenant, the greatest of the sacraments. In this sacrament, the Lord becomes food under the appearance of bread and wine.”*

This has been a difficult year and yet we pray that the special day will be *“most beautiful”*. All of us should support in prayer, friendship and pride in our community, our children. How many of the 400+ children will you touch in prayer and friendship? This is a holy and blessed occasion for our parishes.

“Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.” (Mk. 10.14) **Prayers and best wishes to all who are making their First Holy Communion.**

First Holy Communions

Reminder that there will be no public 10am Mass on Saturday next, 16th October, in Our Lady and St David’s Church, Naas due to a First Holy Communion Ceremony being held at that time. Thank you for your understanding.



We welcome and thank our new Eucharistic Ministers, who were commissioned at 11am Mass on Sunday last, October 3rd.



A Virtual POPE JOHN PAUL II AWARD Ceremony will take place on Wednesday 13th October @7.30pm. Streamed LIVE from the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow via www.icatholic.ie.

This year marks the twelfth annual Pope John Paul II Award Ceremony in our Diocese. Regrettably, we are not in a position to gather as a diocesan family to celebrate the achievement of our young people across our Diocese. Therefore, medals and certificates will be presented at parish level this year. Bishop Denis Nulty will virtually address the 300+ recipients live from the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow. **The live stream of the ceremony will also be available afterwards on the iCatholic website and the iCatholic Player app.**

Synodal Pathway for the Catholic Church...

In these days, the Catholic Church throughout the world and in Ireland is beginning a series of conversations about what God wants of his people at this time. These conversations are often referred to as a Synodal Process. "Synodal" comes from a Greek word which means "walking together". On Sunday 17th

October we mark the opening of this Synodal Process entitled, '*For a Synodal Church: communion, participation and mission.*' This Synodal Process coincides with the start of the two-year Synodal Pathway for the Catholic Church in Ireland which will lead, in time, to a National Synodal Assembly in Ireland. We pray that the next two years will be a time of prayer, listening and discernment, involving a consultative conversation. This will allow all people - both within the Church and in society at large, to share their insights into the Catholic Church in Ireland – past, present and future – so that we can prepare for a National Synodal Assembly in the coming years.

To learn more about the Synodal Pathway for the Catholic Church in Ireland, please visit www.catholicbishops.ie/synod.

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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SACRISTY OUR LADY AND ST DAVID: 045 856 925

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
Fr. Robert Petrisor	Sallins Road	045 879 730
Dn. Fergal O'Neill	Parish Deacon	086 381 6133
Ms. Trish O'Neill	Youth/Pastoral Minister	045 879 730
Ms. Sarah Farmer	Parish Manager	045 879 730

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.

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

Sarah Drewett, Sarto Road, Naas
Bridget O'Brien, Woodside Park, Naas
Ursula Owens, Kerdiffstown, Sallins

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



PARISH FINANCES

Naas: Offertory: €1,795 Development Fund: €1,790

Online donations (30th Sept. - 6th Oct.): €467

Tap & Go (30th Sept. - 6th Oct.): €690

Sallins: Envelopes: €335 Baskets: €280

TMH: €515

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. - Fri.: 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.

Legion of Mary

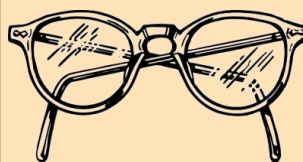
**The Legion of
Mary, Naas
recite the 20
Mysteries of
Rosaries for**



**priests each Wednesday at 2pm at the
parish Church (OLSD). All are very
welcome to join for all or one of the
rosaries.**

Gift Idea... Little Red Robins

Framed Prints by Linda Minto now available in the Parish Shop, Sallins Road. Call in to browse the range - we are open 9.30am - 5pm Monday to Friday and on Saturdays from 9.30am to 11.30am (Price €30)



Naas Lions Club Spectacle Recycling Programme

Since 1925, the Lions Club International has actively provided support for preventable blindness in the third world. Through the Sight First Programme, Lions Clubs International have invested \$415 billion and aided 30 million people. The W.H.O estimate that more than 150 million people have uncorrected refractory errors, which can be quickly diagnosed and corrected with corrective lenses. For children, clear vision means a better education. For adults, it means greater employment opportunities, a better quality of life and less dependence on others. We all know that spectacles can be expensive and while in the western world many of us will discard our spectacles when we need a change, our discarded spectacles can be recycled by the Naas Lions Club and be a life changing aid to others. **The local Lions Club will leave a collection box for spectacles in the porch of the churches. These spectacles will then be sorted and graded for distribution to third world countries. You can support this worthy initiative by placing your unwanted glasses in the boxes provided. Thank you for your support!**

Lost in Naas: Hexagon shaped, gold bangle, of great sentimental value. Reward offered. Please contact the Parish Office on 045 879 730.

Thank you.

Parents Plus Special Needs Programme: *A practical evidence-based course for parents of adolescents (11 to 16 years) with an intellectual disability or other special needs diagnosis.* This is a free programme and will be run in Blessington Library on Wednesday mornings 10am to 12noon. Starting on November 3rd and finishing on December 15th. Facilitators will meet parents individually on October 20th to discuss the programme and explore individual goals. If you would like further information or to enrol on the programme please contact: Bridie Clancy on 086 380 7917 or email bridie.clancy@tusla.ie.

Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw!

You could win a jackpot of €5,250 on Wednesday 13th October!

There was **NO WINNER** of the €5,000 Jackpot on Wednesday
last 6th October

Numbers Drawn were:

11 - 27 - 12 - 4;

Winners of the Lucky Dip €100 prizes were:

H. Pender, A. Farrell, M. Ceenan and V. & M. Walsh

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'!**

