Parish Newsletter

12th June 2022 The Most Holy Trinity



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Message from Fr. Liam

I extend a warm welcome this weekend to Bishop Denis, as we celebrate the Silver Jubilee of the opening of the Church of the Irish Martyrs. It is an occasion to celebrate, recall recent memories and to look to the future with hope and faith.

A church building is very much the 'heartbeat' of any community, it is where new life is welcomed, where life is celebrated in its many milestones, and where, ultimately, life is commended to God at journey's end.

The church is always about people, more so than the physical building. The idea or concept envisioned for this Church by its architect, Eamon Hedderman, was to "present the church as a point along the route of life...

its interior layout representing the path of life from baptism, to the Word and to Eucharist. The Eucharist being the summit of our faith. The Church of the Irish

Martyrs achieves this, a space that enhances and welcomes the coming together of the community in prayer.

Where we 'come together and go in faith'. We are proud of this Church. It is a wonderful legacy to the vision of its architect, to the late Fr. Moling Lennon **and** to the tireless effort and generosity of the people of Naas who financed and supported its completion.

To this very day, visitors to Ballycane often speak

glowingly about its beauty, its originality, the sense of welcome and inclusion. When presiding at Holy Mass or on other special occasions you feel a nearness to all who gather in prayer.

Wonderful to see how an original design and concept has managed so well to fulfil the vision and the dream.

For that reason it is very appropriate that we would celebrate a coming together in faith of the people of this parish on this happy day. This church as a place of prayer and worship to God instils within us a real sense of pride. I am grateful to so many who look after it and take care of this church with such attention especially our sacristan, John Waters and for many years Dolly Garvey, up until her retirement in 2020. This weekend I want to thank the Parish Pastoral Council, the Liturgy Group, the Parish Office staff and those who have volunteered and given of their time in preparation of today. All ensuring that the grounds, the church itself and the Liturgy we celebrate will be a

fitting expression to God of our gratitude. We have been through a difficult few years, and yet the goodness and generosity of the people of this parish has never waivered thank you!

A final word of thanks to Bishop Denis, always a welcome face among us, his presence adds a sense of occasion and celebration to this lovely milestone.

Thank you Bishop Denis! And so, to the next twenty-five years and beyond Le cúnamh Dé!



Children's Rosary Group: Would you like your child to learn the Rosary and develop deep roots in faith? Families are invited to bring their children to come and pray the Rosary <u>together</u> every Saturday at 6pm in Our Lady & the Guardian Angels Church, <u>Sallins</u>. All welcome!

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PARISH TEAM

Fr. Liam Morgan	Sallins Road	087 133 7879
Fr. Alex Kochatt	Lakelands	045 898 684
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SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

Naas:Geraldine Faherty & Adrian KingSallins:Dermot McGilloway, Emer McCarthyTwo Mile House:Paula Clancy & Suzanne PowellDiocesan Designated Liaison Person:Kathleen SherryDeputy Diocesan Liaison Person:Michele Hughes,c/o Bishop's House, Carlow Phone:085 802 1633

Safeguarding Policy displayed in all Church Porches.

Please note that there will be no weekday Masses in St. Peter's Church, Two Mile House Church next week.

Family-Friendly Masses

All Masses on 18th/19th June, the Feast of Corpus Christi, with the exception of the 9am and 6pm on Sunday in OLSD, will be focused on being Family-Friendly.



We invite all families to join us for Mass in any of the four Churches.



Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw!

There was no winner of the €3,400 Jackpot on 8th June. <u>Numbers Drawn were:</u> 9-14-8-13; Congratulations to the Lucky Dip winners: K. O'Keeffe, N. Mahon, A. Morrison and F. & F. Byrne.

You could win a Jackpot of €3,650 on Wednesday 15th June at 6pm.

Tickets are on sale in the Parish Offices and from various outlets in the town. Thank you for your support.

Job Vacancy: Bus Escort.

Required for route from Naas to Lacken National School for academic year Sept 22/23. Route from Naas at 8.30am to Lacken and return from Lacken to Naas 1.40pm. SNA qualification desirable but not essential.

Please forward CV by Mon 20th June to:

Board Of Management, Lacken National School, Lacken.

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society Annual Pilgrimage to Knock

Please join us on our Annual Pilgrimage on Saturday 25th June, with the main Celebrant, Archbishop Francis Duffy. Bus €25, including refreshments. Departing from various locations in Naas from 8am onwards with pick-ups in Sallins and Clane. Please contact:

Maureen on 087 2077044 or John on 086 8563773.

Collection for Naas Tidy Towns

Sat 11th/Sun 12th June. We would really appreciate your support. Collection is to help pay for the beautiful flowers in the town.



St. Marie's Conference S.V.P.



We are here for the elderly of the Naas Area. If you, or someone you know, is finding it difficult and needs help, please call us in confidence on 087 216 6779.

A local meeting of Overeaters Anonymous will begin next Tuesday the 14th of June in Ballycane Church at 7.30pm. All are welcome and for further information please call 087 4652098.

PARISH FINANCES

Naas:Development Fund:€2,690 Offertory:€2,235Online donations (2nd - 8th June):€216Tap & Go (2nd - 8th June):€455Sallins:Envelopes:€355Baskets:€320TMH:€460

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

Martin Doyle, Sallins Bridge James (Jimmy) Rice, Oldbridge Station Audrey Higgins, St. Patrick's Terrace Anne Marie Miley, Dunlavin MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

