

Parish Newsletter

23rd October 2022

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Mission Sunday



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I am sometimes asked if I miss being on the missions. In Africa I spent 24 years in Liberia and 13 years in South Africa. They are two different countries with different settings. I went to Liberia in 1971 and that was my main experience of living and working in Africa. Living

conditions were quite basic. Electricity - sometimes; water - sometimes; phone and post were irregular. Climate - hot, humid and a lot of rain. Mosquitoes - nightly and in abundance. Catholics were a small minority - less than 5%. There was a language difficulty but we got by with English. Money was scarce. We depended on home support and outside help though the local community who did their best and even contributed to the Mission Sunday collection. Working with the people was great but slow. 'Parliamentary' procedure for meetings was excellent. Church ministry involved the normal church services and devotions. The community excelled in singing, participation, movement/rhythm and there was plenty of time. We always had an adult catechumens program. Alongside, was work at schools, clinics and small development projects. There were no local state supports.

Do I miss it? Yes of course. But time has moved on and a lot has happened since.

I joined the SMA (Society of African Missions) and our founder had a number of aims as a Mission policy:

1. To advance the work of God.
2. To work in Africa and with people of African origin.
3. To help form the local clergy.
4. To develop my own spirituality as a missionary.

These are more refined today to include: working for justice, enculturation and the environment.

Third world countries are at the mercy of so many forces as a result of poverty which is highlighted with famines, droughts, conflict and exploitation.

Pope Francis has given the theme for this Mission Sunday as "You shall be my Witnesses" (Acts 1:8) and "To the ends of the earth". This challenges us all to go beyond our geographical boundaries and comfort zones into situations and places where missionary witness of Christ has not yet arrived, bringing the Good News of His love. The Church must keep looking outward and testify to all people, whatever their circumstances, the love of Christ. Missionaries need our prayers and financial support. This Sunday we have the opportunity to help.

I thank you for the great support down the years and pray with God's blessings and our support the work of mission will continue in Jesus' name. *Fr. Michael*



The Collection for Mission Sunday will be taken up at all Masses this weekend - thank you.

**WORLD
MISSION
SUNDAY**
**23rd October
2022**

World Mission Sunday is the Holy Father's annual appeal for spiritual and financial support so that the life-giving work of overseas mission and missionaries can continue.

All offerings made on behalf of World Mission Sunday become part of the Holy Father's Universal Solidarity Fund which supports missionary activities in over 1,100 young dioceses, mostly in Africa, Asia, and Latin America. As young dioceses grow, so do their needs. On top of this, they are often found in remote areas devastated by conflict or natural disasters. The Universal Solidarity Fund provides aid so that missionaries can continue to go to these places to share the love of God.

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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PARISH WEBSITE: www.naasparish.ie

NAAS PARISH OFFICE: Tel.: 045 879 730

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Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 5pm

SACRISTY OUR LADY AND ST DAVID: 045 856 925

BALLYCANE OFFICE AND SACRISTY: 045 895 629

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 1pm

SACRISTY TWO MILE HOUSE: 086 399 1706

REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 20015848

PARISH TEAM

Fr. Liam Morgan	Sallins Road	087 133 7879
Fr. Alex Kochatt	Lakelands	045 898 684
Fr. Michael Flattery	Sundays Well	045 882 630
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 is displayed in all Church Porches.

PARISH FINANCES

Naas: Development Fund: €3,300 Offertory: €2,445

Online donations (13th - 19th Oct): €207

Tap & Go (13th - 19th Oct): €120

Sallins: Envelopes: €415 Baskets: €505

TMH: €670

MASS TIMES

Tuesday 1st November
Feast of All Saints

Wednesday, 2nd Nov.
Feast of All Souls

OLSD: 7.30am & 10am

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Two Mile House: 9.30am

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Sallins: 10am

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Ballycane: 7pm, Tuesday

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Blessing of the Graves

St. Corban's Cemetery, Naas

Sunday 6th November at 3pm

Bodenstown Cemetery, Sallins

Sunday 13th November at 11am

Two Mile House Cemetery

Sunday 20th November after Mass



MASS TIMES

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

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.

RECENT BAPTISMS

Oliver Navickas, Eustace Demesne

Corey Kelly, Australia

Beau Kelly, Australia

Rhys Conneely, Dunnstown

Fionn Wren, Caragh Court

Alexander Kelly, Brannockstown



Baptism Meetings

2nd & 4th Tuesdays of each month
8pm in Room 4, Ballycane Church.



Today's Readings:

Please see pages 155 to 157 of the Mass Book.

Responsorial Psalm Response:

"This poor man called; the Lord heard him."

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Blessed are you, Father,
Lord of heaven and earth,
for revealing the mysteries of the
kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!**





Confirmation 2023

The Confirmation Preparation is underway for the sixth class students who will receive the Sacrament in the Spring of 2023. The journey begins at home, and continues through the work of the school and in the Parish.

During the past week, the first groups of young people went to Solas Bhride in Kildare Town for their Confirmation Retreat Day. This was hosted by the Brigidine Sisters in their beautiful Centre for Spirituality and facilitated by members of the Parish Youth Ministry Team.

Over 60 young people from Scoil Bhride spent time in prayer, reflection, and learning about the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. Fr. Michael, the School Chaplain celebrated Mass with the group before they returned to the school. Our hope for them is that this retreat gives them a positive connection with the parish community, and a realisation that their own gifts are given by the Spirit, and are valuable to the life of their community. We look forward to spending time with the young people from the other schools in the coming weeks.



Pictured here: the Sacred Space containing the presents representing the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit. The Bible is open on the letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians where St. Paul talks about the one spirit bringing many gifts. The water and the candle link the Sacrament of Confirmation to Baptism.



Naas Flower and Garden Club meeting

27th October at 7.45pm

Care of the Aged Centre, Naas (Beside the Fire Station)

Demonstration by Christina Foley AOIFA.

Theme "**Psychedelic Autumn**".

We welcome visitors, new and past.

Members to join us. Admission €8.

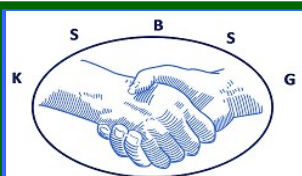


Ministry Day of Reflection and Renewal

for new and existing Eucharistic Ministers and Ministers of the Word.

Mount St. Annes, Portarlinton

Saturday 19th November. Details to follow.



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Want to talk?
Need to talk?

Call 086 855 4852 for free confidential support.



DATES FOR SACRAMENTS 2023

Parents' Meetings

All Naas Schools: Tues 25th Oct in Ballycane Church

7pm First Holy Communion Parents

8pm Confirmation Parents

TMH/Killashee: Weds 26th Oct in TMH Church

7pm First Holy Communion Parents

8pm Confirmation Parents

Sallins School: Thursday 27th Oct in Sallins Church

7pm First Holy Communion Parents

8pm Confirmation Parents

mary's meals



a simple solution to world hunger

In our 20th year, we provide a daily meal to **2,279,941** children every school day in some of the world's poorest countries. It costs just €18.30 to feed a child in a place of education for an entire school year.

For more info, please go to **www.marysmeals.ie** or contact Angela Moore: 089-4339592 or

angela.moore@marysmeals.org

POP Teanga le Cúpla Focal eile

Join us for: Ciorcal Comhra
(conversational Irish and Cup of Coffee)

at

SWANS ON THE GREEN, Saturdays at 10AM
(Mamaí agus Dadaí paistí)

Mc AULEY PLACE, Wednesdays at 11AM
(Senior citizens)

ALL WELCOME.

COFFEE AGUS CAINT CUPLA FOCAL

Contact: popeteanga@gmail.com / 085 2141482



Teach Tearmainn is the only dedicated domestic abuse support service for women and children in Co. Kildare.

We offer a range of free and confidential support services including refuge accommodation for families fleeing abuse.

Teach Tearmainn receives limited funding, so we would be delighted to hear from anyone who could help us by **fundraising**. We are registered on eventmaster for those who like to take part in sporting events. Or, you could arrange a Coffee Morning.

Contact Details: Cait O'Neill, Fundraising Officer, Teach Tearmainn Housing Association CLG.

Email: caitoneill@teachttearmainn.ie Mobile: 0871835222.

See www.teachttearmainn.ie for more details.

Mortgage Arrears / Abhaile Scheme

Are you in mortgage arrears? Worried about losing your home?
There is help. See www.fsireland.ie for details.

The Relics of **St. Therese of Lisieux**
and her Parents will be in
Church of St. Peter & Paul,
Monasterevin:

Sat 22nd at 5pm -
Sun 23rd October at 3pm.



For full details, please visit www.teamhope.ie.
Closing date for dropping off boxes is 8th November.
Filled boxes may be dropped into any Dealz shop.

Fundraiser for Newbridge Cancer Support Group and Motor Neurone Ireland

Keaden Hotel, Sunday 30th October at 9.30pm

featuring 'Reunion'. Tickets €10
available from Frank Cox
(087 8278661) and on the door.



Tuesdays in the Care of the Aged
Centre (Newbridge Road),
at the NEW TIME OF 8PM!



A selection of Advent Calendars and
Diaries & Calendars for 2023 and boxed
Christmas cards now available
in the Parish Shops
on the Sallins Road and in Ballycane.

Nas Na Riogh Active Retirement

Next meeting:

**2nd November at 2pm in
Ballycane Church,**
for a talk on Heart Health.

For more details, please contact
Ina McCarthy on 085 8777 619.

New members very welcome.



Divine Mercy Prayers

will take place after the 7pm
Mass in Ballycane Church on
Wednesday 26th October
All are welcome to join.



Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw!

There was a **winner** of the **€5,600** Jackpot on 19th October.

Numbers Drawn were: 1-7-19-26

Congratulations to Niall Morahan!

You could win a Jackpot of **€2,100** on Wednesday 26th October.

Tickets are on sale in the Parish Offices and in:

**Whelans Menswear, Barker & Jones, The Stationery Store, Harbour Hotel,
The Soda Bread Shop and Swans on the Green.**

Tickets are €2 each and you may also purchase your Lotto ticket online at
www.naasparish.ie or through the Parish App.

Thank you for your support.

