

Parish Newsletter

5th February 2023

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

No: 1882



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By the power of the Holy Spirit, Christ is present in the proclamation of God's Word, in the Mass, in the person of priest but above all - and in a unique manner - in the Eucharist. During the Mass, at the consecration, the bread and wine are transformed into the Body and Blood of Christ. Closer to the end of the Mass, people receive Holy Communion (Body of Christ). It is one of the most intimate moments which we have with God and we are invited to be totally focused on it. Being united with Christ in such a deep way is meant to change our life from a human one to a Divine one. Because it's too short a time for that, we can continue this moment with God, in Adoration.

What is Adoration?

Eucharistic Adoration is a Catholic devotion dating back to the early days of the Church. It involves exposing a consecrated host, the Blessed Sacrament, allowing people to sit and pray in the Real Presence of Jesus Christ.

Is Eucharistic Adoration only for the holiest people?

No! Eucharistic Adoration is for everyone. It is a time spent with God getting to know Him. It's the easiest way to meet Him in person. It is very fruitful for your faith and for those for whom you pray.

How to do adoration?

Enter in silence, and in reverence toward the Blessed Sacrament. Remember that it is God Himself who is really, truly, and substantially present in the

Consecrated Host. After that, you may bless yourself making the sign of Cross.

Begin with a prayer to prepare your heart, and take a few moments to adjust from the noise of the outside world to the silence and peace of Christ's presence.

Take time to make a good start to Adoration, putting our moment with God at a deeper level.



Spend a few minutes in spiritual reading. It can be from the Gospels, a reflection from a prayer book, or a few lines from the life of a saint. Then, after some reflection, stay in silence and meditate on what you have just read.

Don't be afraid to just be quiet, silent, and alone with the Lord, and just to enjoy the beautiful, peaceful presence of Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

Feel free to talk with Jesus about everything. He already knows all about you, but He likes when we say it. Pray for yourself and also for your family, friends, everyone.

Pray the Rosary. Contemplating the mysteries of Jesus' life in the Rosary is to contemplate the mystery of Jesus in Blessed Sacrament, whom we praise in Adoration. Or pray the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, or another devotion.

When you are ready to leave, offer a departing prayer to the Lord. This can be a spontaneous prayer of thanksgiving, or you can privately use the prayers of Benediction.

When you spend time with Jesus, Jesus spends time with you, too!

Weekdays: Ballycane Church: 10am - 6pm

Saturdays: Our Lady and Saint David Church: 12noon - 5pm

Sundays: Our Lady and St. David's Church: 2 - 5pm

Children's Adoration: Second Sunday of the month in Ballycane Church: 11:30-11:50

First Thursday of the month: Ballycane Church: 9:15 pm - 10:15 pm

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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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
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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

PARISH FINANCES

Naas: Development Fund: €3610 Offertory: €2770

Online donations (26th Jan - 1st Feb): €285

Tap & Go (26th - 1st Feb): €585

Sallins: Envelopes: €345 Baskets: €590

TMH: €590

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

Sat. 12noon - 6pm The Upper Room OLSD

Sun. 2pm - 5pm The Upper Room OLSD

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.

Monday 6th February is a Bank holiday and there will be no 7.30am Mass

Today's Readings:

Please see pages 133-135 of the Mass book.



Children's Rosary Saturdays at 6pm

Join us and help your child to grow in faith and in knowledge of Jesus. This will help to enhance your child's spiritual development and confidence.

The children can take turns reciting the Rosary.

**Children's Rosary Saturdays at 6pm in
the Church of Our Lady & the Guardian Angels, Sallins.**



Pre-Lenten Novena:

Our Pre-Lenten Novena of Prayers in honour of "The Holy Face of Jesus"

This novena commences on Sunday, 12th February before 9am Mass and 11am Mass in OLSD's Parish Church. The Novena will continue before 7.30am and 10.00am Mass concluding on 20th February, eve of Shrove Tuesday and Feast of the Holy Face as declared by Pope Pius XII for all Roman Catholics.

During the Novena, the Prayers of the Rosary will commence 5 minutes earlier than usual.



Family-Friendly Masses

(on the Second Sunday of each month – All are Welcome)

Sunday 12th February

There are special family-friendly Masses in all Churches on the second Sunday of each month:

OLSD Sat. 6pm & Sun. 11am

Ballycane Sunday 10.30 & 12.00

Sallins: Sunday 12noon

TMH: Sunday 11am



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

Michael Barron, Hazelmere

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

RECENT BAPTISMS

Isabelle Dunne, Longstone



Baptism Meetings:

Are held on 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of each month at 8pm in Room 4, Ballycane Church. There is no need to book the meetings.



PARISHES ANNUAL MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE

Departing **26th April** for seven nights.

Spiritual Director: **Fr. Alex Kochatt.**

Cost is **€775** p.p.s.,

(Further details on posters in our four Churches and the Parish Office or from John & Catherine (086 856 3773) or Marian Pilgrimages at (01) 8788159

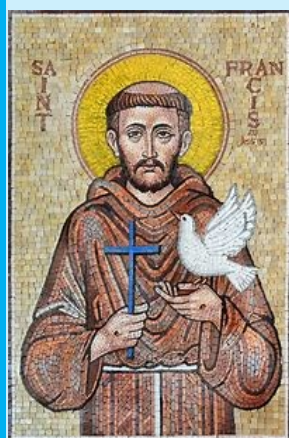
Special Kildare Pilgrimage to Fatima

9th-14th June 2023 from Dublin for the Feast Day of Saint Anthony, Patron Saint of Portugal. Visiting Saint Anthony's Baptismal Font and the place where he was born in Lisbon.

Contact James Treacy 061-921470



Pilgrimage to Assisi and Rome



- Visiting the Tombs of St Francis, St Clare and Blessed Carlo Acutis;
- a guided tour of the St Peters Basilica and attendance a General Papal Audience.
- Travelling dates 25th – 31st May 2023, cost €1235 pps, single supplement €270. Spiritual directors Fr Liam Merrigan & Fr John McEvoy. For further details contact Monasterevin Parish 045-525346 or visit www.marian.ie



Camino Walk in honour of St. Brigid

Monday 6th February at 11am.

Monasterevin Parish have organised a Camino Walk (approx. 6km):

Starting at St. Brigid's Shrine at Mountrice on the Monasterevin –

Rathangan Road (R414) Car parking provided at Mountrice Cross. The Walk will be led

by Bishop Denis Nulty and will journey via Umeras then along the New Canal Blue Way, finishing in St. Peter & Paul's Church Monasterevin with a service of light at 12.30pm. For more information, call Monasterevin Parish office: 045 525346.

All are welcome.



Beannacht Naomh Bríde

A Naomh Bríd

Muire na nGael

Scar orainn do bhrat!



A special 'Thank you' to Parishioner Marie who kindly donated hampers for the Parish Christmas Raffle which raised **€560.**

A Daily Prayer for Peace

Loving God,
We pray for the people of Ukraine,
for all those suffering or afraid,
that you will be close to them
and protect them.

We pray for world leaders,
for compassion, strength and wisdom
to guide their choices.

We pray for the world,
that in this moment of crisis,
we may reach out in solidarity,
to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways,
so that peace and justice become a reality
for the people of Ukraine and for all the
world.

Amen.

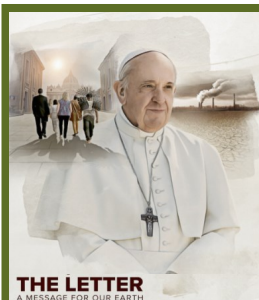


NEW MASS CARD



**Designed exclusively
for Naas Parish
by Josephine
Hardiman.**

**Now available in the
parish shops (on the
Sallins road and in
Ballycane Church).**



Film screening of The Letter

You are invited to a screening of the film "The Letter, A message for our Earth" in Clane Parish Church on February 9th 2023 at 7.30pm, followed by a conversation with

Dr Ciara Murphy & Dr Kevin Hargaden authors of 'Parish as Oasis: An Introduction to Practical Environmental Care'.

All are welcome.

Do you want to become a Scout Leader?



- Do you enjoy the outdoors?
- Enjoy hiking?
- Are you looking to give back a little?
- We are looking for leaders for our Monday Night Scout Section (12–15-year-olds)
- If yes, please contact naasscoutsecretary@gmail.com

Make-A-Wish[®]

IRELAND

**Volunteers
Needed**

Wish Week 2023

Make a Wish grant wishes to seriously ill children and is appealing to the Parish to sign up to become a Wish Week 2023 volunteer. Dunnes Stores has given permission to Make-A-Wish Ireland to carry out bucket collections in their stores on 'Wish Day' on **Friday 28th April 2023**. For more information or to sign up contact Mary Murphy at mary@makeawish.ie or +353 (0)1 2052007 or visit their website :www.makeawish.ie



Carlow College, St Patrick's

BOOK FAIR

All Welcome,
Open to the Public

This very enjoyable one-day event has always attracted large numbers and takes place on the broad corridors of the College from 10am to 5pm on

Wed., 8th Feb. All are welcome.

For further information, contact Dr Thomas McGrath at Carlow College at email vpacademic@carlowcollege.ie



NEW!

Music Therapy

An experienced music therapist is offering individual music therapy sessions at the

Little Way Cancer Support Centre

For more information please contact us.

Phone: 045902996

email: clane@little-way.org



Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw!

There was no **winner** of the €3,350 Jackpot on 1st February

Numbers Drawn were: 10-6-18-13

Congratulations to the Lucky Dip Winners:

T. Fletcher, M. Reynolds, Anon., P. Coleman.

**You could win a Jackpot of €3,600 on
Wednesday 8th February.**

**Tickets are €2 each and may be purchased
online at www.naasparish.ie or
through the Parish App.**

