

Parish Newsletter

21st May 2023

The Ascension of the Lord



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Abortion: Changing the Narrative – a Statement of the Catholic Bishops

Five years on from the May 2018 referendum which removed the constitutional guarantee of the equal right to life of unborn children and their mothers, the Bishops of Ireland have issued a statement which also takes into account the recent review by Government of the abortion legislation introduced following the referendum.

At that time the bishops said,

“a new situation now exists in Ireland. It is essential for us as a Church, which cares passionately about the gift of life, and wants to support both mothers and their unborn children, to seek better ways of responding to this new and very challenging reality”.

Today, bishops reaffirm the deep conviction of our faith, namely, that the dignity of every human life, from conception to natural death, is a value for the whole of society, rooted in reason as well as in faith.

No matter what legislation is passed, the fundamental right to life for all human beings at every stage of development still prevails. The bishops remain convinced that the relevant law, the Health (Regulation of Termination of Pregnancy) Act 2018 will, in due course, be repealed. In the meantime, the Church will continue to seek loving and supportive protection for every mother and for every child in the womb, including babies diagnosed with a disability or a life-limiting condition. The bishops will continue to do their best to change the narrative through dialogue and by testifying, in season and out of season, to the Gospel of Life.

How can People of Faith help?

- ♦ Read the full statement (which is available on the parish app. or at www.naasparish.ie) or collect a printed copy from one of the Church porches or parish offices.
- ♦ Sign up for the “Pray for Life” Novena at www.prayforlife.ie, starting on Tuesday 23rd May and finishing on 31st May, the Feast of the Visitation.
- ♦ Pray the Rosary for the remaining evenings in May at the grotto at Our Lady and St. David’s Church at 8pm.



We are looking forward to a morning of reflection and renewal for the **Ministers of Holy Communion** from Naas, Sallins, Two Mile House, Kill and Ardclough parishes on **Saturday 27th May in Ballycane Church.**

If you would like to participate, please contact the parish office to register.



**Annual Cemetery Mass
St. Corban's Cemetery
Wed. 14th June at 7.30pm**

The Mass will also be live streamed onto the parish YouTube channel. A link will be provided from the parish website nearer the time.

Please note: no eve Mass in Ballycane on 14th June

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

PRIEST ON DUTY: 085 708 8407

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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

FACEBOOK: [facebook.com/naasparish](https://www.facebook.com/naasparish)

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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

PARISH FINANCES

Naas: Development Fund: €3,275 Offertory: €2,465

Online donations (11th - 17th May): €396

Tap & Go (11th - 17th May): €450

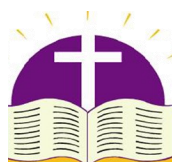
Sallins: Envelopes: €365 Baskets: €560

TMH: €565

RECENT BAPTISMS



Sadhbh Sheehan, Kilcullen
Sorcha Cully, Caragh
Bláithín Faherty, Mullacash
Ferdia Brady, Broadfield
Ríonach McEleney, Finlay Park
Rory Kiely, Stoneleigh
Olivia Earley, Morell Rise



Todays Readings
are on pages 271-274
of the Missal

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.*

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

*Mary Drewett, Sarto Road
Christopher Higgins, Monread Heights
Kathleen Pidgeon, Two Mile House
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE*



Children's Rosary

Sallins Church

6pm each Saturday

Church of the Irish Martyrs

11.30-11.50am each Sunday

(except the second Sunday of each month when there will be Children's Adoration at this time).



Rosary continues at the Grottos

The Rosary will be prayed every evening at 8pm throughout May at the Grotto outside OLSD.

All very welcome.

*Our Lady of Knock, Queen of Ireland,
Pray for Ireland.*



Gala Concert

In recognition of All the staff members of Naas Hospital and the HSE who have come through or are currently going through Breast Cancer

Thursday 1st June at 7.30pm

St. Bridget's Church, Curragh, Co. Kildare

Featuring:



- ♪ Naas Hospital Choir,
- ♪ HSE Harmonies Choir
- ♪ The Liffey Choir

Raffle
with great
prizes

Tickets €15 each available from Choir Members or Naas General Hospital or call Gwen 085 2039327

SCAN ME
TO DONATE
ON-LINE



There will be a Diocesan collection for retired Priests at all Masses next weekend

Your support is greatly appreciated.



FASHION SHOW

in aid of
My Lovely Horse Rescue.
Focusing on sustainable
fashion and including

makeup demos and spot prizes, as well as amazing raffles.

27th May at the Osprey Hotel Naas.

Tickets €25 (Over 18s only)

Guest Star: Comedian Enya Martin
MC Fionnuala Moran & 2FM DJs Jenny Greene & January Winters



Naas Community Men's Shed

Osprey Hotel

Friday 26th May, 8pm-10.30pm



Featuring:

- NCMS
- Spraoi Groupe from Suit na Sollan
- Norah King

Tickets €10 (from Jam Music & NCMS)

This is a fundraiser for the Men's Shed



**Wishing parishioner
Peter O'Reilly
a very happy
100th Birthday!**



Pentecost Novena

19th May - 27th May

The Novena will be broadcast on:

- Radio Maria
- Shalom World Prayer

Exam Mass at Knock Shrine

TAKE A LITTLE TIME FROM YOUR STUDIES TO ASK
FOR GOD'S STRENGTH AND GUIDANCE DURING
THIS EXAM PERIOD: JUNE 5TH 7.30PM

AT KNOCK BASILICA

BRING YOUR PENCIL CASE TO BE BLESSED



Special Synodal Day of Prayer, Knock



PLEASE JOIN US TO CELEBRATE A DAY
OF PRAYER to place the Church's
entire synodal process, under the
protection of Mary, the Mother of
God, who is always with us on the
synodal path, for she is also 'Mother

of the Church' (Mater Ecclesiae); Mother of all those who are
companions and disciples of her Son.

Knock Shrine, Knock, Co. Mayo

Wed. 31st May

11am: Prayer Service in the Apparition Chapel

12pm: Mass in the Basilica of Our Lady, Queen of Éire

7pm: Rosary followed by Mass in Knock Parish Church

For further details please contact: info@synod.ie

Join us by **livestream** at www.knockshrine.ie if you cannot be
with us on the day and please continue to pray for the
synodal process in your daily prayers.

The All-Ireland Rosary Rally, Knock



Saturday June 3rd, 1pm, in
Knock Shrine. It will include
Holy Mass, the Rosary, the
Stations of the Cross and a talk
by Bishop Oliver Doeme. The
Main Celebrant for the Holy
Mass is

Archbishop Eamon Martin.

A bus will leave Naas
from OLSD, details to follow,
price dependant on demand.
Please book your seat early to
avoid disappointment.

For further information and to
book contact -

Niamh: 086 1758458.

All are welcome to attend

BINGO

Is back at **the Care of the Aged Centre**, on **Tuesdays 8pm**

Is your relationship with food causing you problems?

Do you often feel emptier the more you eat?

Naas Overeaters Anonymous meets every Tuesday night at 7.30pm in Room 3, Ballycane Church,

W91 K6CT

For more info call
Noeleen 0874652098
or see WWW.oa.org



AA meetings

are for persons who have a desire to stop drinking.

Naas Group Meetings are held every:

Monday 8.30pm St David's Church Grounds, Main Street Naas .

Friday 8pm - Naas Community Centre, Sallins Rd.

Saturday 8pm- Naas Community Centre, Sallins Rd.

For further information, please contact 087 7736156, in strictest confidence.

All-Ireland Pollinator Plan

Reduce mowing to allow native wildflowers like Dandelions, Clover and Birds-foot Trefoil to naturally return over time.

Why? This action helps to restore species-rich grasslands: a vital habitat providing food and shelter for pollinators.

Where? Everywhere! Roadside verges, lawns, schools, parks, field margins, farm lanes. Take part in #NoMowMay and leave your lawnmower in the shed for May.

www.pollinators.ie/top-ten-ways-to-help-pollinators/



Job Vacancy: Naas Care of the Aged

Part time Caretaker required 7pm to open & 10.30pm to close the Centre. For an application form please send your name & address to - **Naas Care of the Aged, Limerick Road, Naas.**

Mount St. Anne's

6-Day Retreats available throughout the Summer/Autumn at Killenard

For bookings/enquiries, please phone 057-8626153 or email

secretary@mountstannes.com



Afternoon Recital

Suono Ladies Choir will perform in the Cathedral of the Assumption Carlow on Sunday 21st May at 4pm.

Free Admission and all are welcome



May Conference at Maynooth University

The Liturgy Association of Ireland are holding their second May Conference on Sat., 27 May in Renahan Hall, St Patrick's College, Maynooth. Registration at 10.30 am, and we aim to end by 17.00. The theme is: Presiding - **The Art of Leading the People of God in Public Prayer**

At Maynooth College, the day will explore the theology underlining the ministry and explore our practice at present and into a future where much will be sought from all who gather to worship.

St. Padre Pio's Glove

will be in Fitzpatrick's House, Kilberry, Athy, Co. Kildare on Sat., 3rd June 11am - 5pm

For more information

please call: Ann 085 1696189

Everyone is Welcome



Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw!

There was no **winner** of the €7,100 Jackpot on 17th May.

Numbers Drawn were: 4-18-21-14

Congratulations to the Lucky Dip Winners:

J. Conway, A. Kelly, K. Houlihan, J. McCabe

You could win a Jackpot of €7,350 on

Wednesday 24th May.

Tickets are €2 each

Thank you for your support.

