

# Parish Newsletter

2nd July 2023

## Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

No: 1903

Mt 10:37-42



### Fr. Eddie's Diamond Jubilee Mass, Saturday 24th June



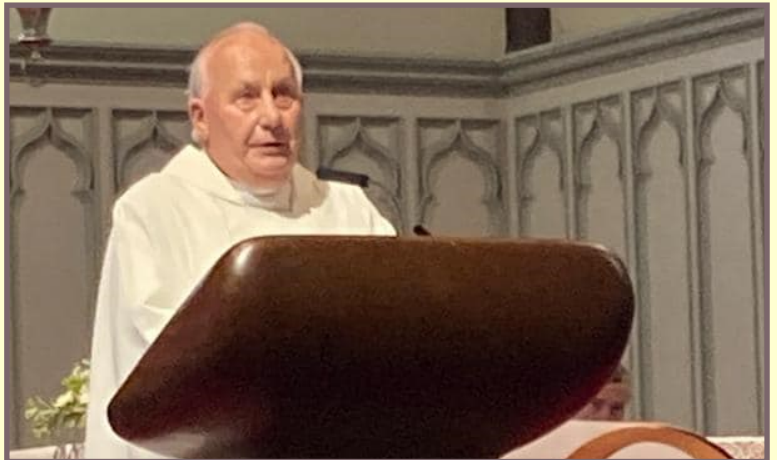
Fr. Eddie receiving a painting by local artist, Josephine Hardiman, from the chairpersons of Naas and Sallins PPCs: Celine Maguire and Mary Humphreys.



Fr. Eddie also received a hotel and golf voucher, presented here by Margaret Cowley from Two Mile House.



Fr. Eddie, pictured here with his sister, Rita, cutting the beautiful cake, very kindly donated as a gift to Fr. Eddie by Mrs Monaghan from the Harbour Hotel.



*A note of thanks from Fr. Eddie .....*

#### **Buíochas**

I wish to thank Bishop Denis Nulty, Frs Liam, Alex, Michael, Robert and Jackie and the people from all the parishes in which I served, for making the celebration of my Diamond Jubilee such a memorable, joy-filled event.

A special word of thanks to the people who sent greetings and generous presents.

This brief message very inadequately expresses my appreciation of your kindness.

**Go gcumhdaí Dia sibh.**

## **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**

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

**TWITTER: @naasparish**

**PRIEST ON DUTY: 085 708 8407**

**PARISH WEBSITE: [www.naasparish.ie](http://www.naasparish.ie)**

## **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 displayed in all Church Porches.***

*Please see below for the announcement from Bishop Denis regarding the K&L Diocesan Appointments. We are delighted to welcome Fr. Willie who is retiring as PP in Kill Parish and coming to live here in Naas. We wish Willie every blessing in his well-deserved retirement.*

*Fr. Joe O'Neill, former Curate in Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House has been appointed as the new Parish Priest of Kill. We look forward to working closely with Joe.*

## **Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan Appointments 2023**

As I announce the Diocesan Appointments for 2023 I want to thank most sincerely all the priests for engagement in this process.

The appointments can no longer simply mean moving a priest from one parish to another but, in the context of our new reality, these changes also now mean that all priests must cast their nets wide into the newly formed parish cluster groups and pastoral areas. The importance of working together has never been more urgent than it is now. While change is never easy it is now wholly necessary for the continuation of the work we all do to further the Lord's mission.

However, we must continue to keep vocations to the priesthood foremost in our prayers, especially as this year is dedicated to 'Vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood'.

The appointments which are to take effect on Friday 4th August are as follows:

- Fr. Willie O'Byrne PP Kill to retire and reside in Naas
- Fr. Pat O'Brien SPS CC Rathvilly to retire to St. Patrick's Missionary Society, Kiltegan
- Fr. Ger Breen PP Stradbally to go on sabbatical, residing in Doonane
- Fr. Pdraig Shelley PP Arles in addition to become Adm. Doonane
- Fr. Joe O'Neill CC Portarlinton/Emo to become PP Kill (and to assist in the Cluster of Naas, Sallins, Two Mile House and Kill in Naas Pastoral Area)
- Fr. David Vard CC Portlaoise to become Adm. Stradbally (while assisting in the wider Portlaoise Pastoral Area)
- Fr. Eugen Dragos Tamas CC Newbridge to become CC Portarlinton /Emo (and to assist in neighbouring parishes in the Portarlinton Pastoral Area)
- Fr. Adriano de Oliveira CC Kilcock to become CC Portlaoise
- Fr. Antony Arackal (Kerala, India) to become CC Newbridge
- Fr. Kolwani Nyoni to assist in Kilcock while continuing to pursue his studies in St. Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth

Kindly keep in your prayers all who take up new appointments this year and the people and the parishes where they will serve.

+Denis Nulty, Bishop of Kildare & Leighlin

27 June 2023

**There will be no Wednesday  
Evening Mass in Ballycane Church  
for the months of July and August.**

## **PARISH FINANCES**

**Naas:** Development Fund: €3,300 Offertory: € 2,465

**Online donations** (22nd - 28th June): €314

**Tap & Go** (22nd - 28th June): €520

**Sallins:** Envelopes: €170 Baskets: €1,240

**TMH:** €775





*A huge thank you to all the volunteers who helped to make the Jubilee Mass for Fr. Eddie such a success and to the hospitality team for the catering afterwards.*

*A particular mention to all who helped out beforehand with the celebratory signage, the sacred space and the floral decoration of the Church.*



Pictured above, as parishioners and family gather with Fr. Eddie.

**The Annual Cemetery Mass in Two Mile House will be on Sunday 9th July at 11am**  
**This Mass will replace the 11am Mass in TMH**

## Recent Baptisms

**Ayla McGrath Casey, Eustace Demesne**  
**Heidi Downes, Santry, Dublin 9**  
**Harry Monahan, Piper's Hill**  
**Finn Cullinan, Elsmore Close**  
**Joni King, Roselawn**  
**Lily Massey, Roseville**  
**Matthew Kennedy, Longstone**  
**Cate Brophy, Piper's Hill**  
**Cali Rose Kelly, Whitethorn Place**  
**Hannah Cremin, Jigginstown**



**Lough Derg Pilgrimage from Kildare**  
**3 day Pilgrimages 7<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> July**  
**or 13<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> August.**

All are very welcome to join.

There will be a bus from Naas leaving at 7am and from Sallins at 7.10am. For further information and to make a booking call **Niamh 086 1758458 or Joe 087 3815887.**



*The Irish Catholic: Available in the Parish Shop, Sallins Road*  
**The Faith has never been more needed  
 in modern Ireland – help keep it alive**



### **AL-ANON MEETINGS**

**"Al-anon is for anyone whose life is or has been affected by someone else's drinking"**

**Al-anon Helpline, Ireland 01-8732699  
 (7 days a week/confidential)**

#### **Group Meetings:**

**Naas Mondays - Ballycane Church  
 7.30pm.**

**Newbridge Wednesdays - Parish  
 Centre, Station Road, 7.30pm**

**For more information:**

**visit [www.al-anonuk.org.uk](http://www.al-anonuk.org.uk)**



**Parish Shops:  
 Sallins Road &  
 Ballycane**



**STAMPS NOW on sale at**

**both our parish shops.**

**National and international stamps.**

### **Walk in the footsteps of St. Bridget & St. Conleth with Bishop Nulty**

An 8km walk on the Curragh Plains led by Bishop Nulty takes place on **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> July**. The walk begins at St Anne's School, The Curragh at 12noon and concludes with a



prayer service in St Brigid's Church, Kildare at 4pm. Refreshments will be available and **all are welcome to join**. To register for the walk contact Aras Bhride on 045-521352 or email [kildareparish@gmail.com](mailto:kildareparish@gmail.com)



The annual Church gate collection for **Cystic Fibrosis Ireland** will take place at all Masses next weekend: **8th and 9th of July.**



### **Kildare Animal Foundation**

*Kildare Town, R51 YE00.*

**Open Day, Sunday 9th July at 1pm**

**Plants, Cakes stall,  
 Bottle stall, Kiddies Games,  
 Antiques, Crafts, Pet Gifts,  
 Face painting and much more.**

**FREE ADMISSION**

**(NO dog visitors please as we have so many waiting to greet you at the shelter)**

**A lovely fun filled day for all the family**

For more information go to [www.animalfoundation.ie](http://www.animalfoundation.ie)



### **JOB OPPORTUNITIES**

Allen Area Community Employment Project are seeking candidates for the following position:

**Sports Ground Worker – Two Mile House GAA**

Other positions are available in Caragh, Coill Dubh, Staplestown, Ballyteague and Newbridge.

Opportunities to get some **free training and valuable work experience**. You will be required to work 19.5 hours per week. Rates of pay are decided by the Department of Social Protection. **To qualify you must be over 21 years old and be in receipt of a social welfare payment for at least 12 months.** If you are interested please contact our office on 045 870268 or email [allenareacep@gmail.com](mailto:allenareacep@gmail.com)

### **Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw!**

There was no **winner** of the €8,600 Jackpot on 28<sup>th</sup> June.

**Numbers Drawn were: 20-23-19-9**

**Congratulations to the Lucky Dip Winners:**

**Anon., V. Mahon, D. Higgins, S. Brennan**

**You could win a Jackpot of €8,850 on  
 Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July.**

**Tickets are €2 each**

**Thank you for your support.**

