

## The Tragedy of War

The ongoing situation in the Holy Land is deeply distressing: the pain and anguish inflicted upon the people of Israel on that first Saturday in October was random, extreme and targeted the lives of innocent men, women and children. The Irish citizen, Tom Hand, expressed the unthinkable...that he was relieved his 8 year old daughter Emily was dead rather than being captured, frightened and alone. That attack by Hamas has given way to the pitiful and horrendous plight of the people of Gaza.

This is an ongoing conflict with a long history, and in any war situation no one people has a monopoly on suffering, and certainly two wrongs don't make a right.

The people of Gaza, so many of them children, one million in fact, are now corralled into a geographical area half the size of County Louth. They have nowhere to go or to escape to, deprived of food, water and shelter. Childhood traumas are being created, it's even hard to view on our screens. Their existence already, over many years has been stifling, indeed suffocating.

We can only hope and pray that the international chorus appealing for a ceasefire will be heeded. Similarly, it is our hope that the humanitarian efforts that seek to reach the people of Gaza will materialise in terms of volume and speed. Not to, is an inhumane denial.

All this tragedy is so contrary to the gospel invitation: 'to love God and to love our neighbour'. When we see age old tensions, fractured relationships, deep suspicion and hatred, we see how poorly, we, the people of the world, have succeeded in loving our neighbour over the centuries. Perhaps it is a reflection on how poorly we have loved God.

There was one chink of light or humanity this week! The exchange between an 85 year old Israeli woman and her captors. As she was being released, she took the hand of her captor and saying goodbye, wished him 'shalom' or peace in Hebrew.

**Pope Francis has described this latest chapter as a human catastrophe: urging all peoples to take one side only, the side of peace.**

*(an extract from Fr. Liam's homily last Sunday.)*



### November Altar List of the Dead

Envelopes are available in all four Churches for you to write the names of your loved ones on the enclosed sheet. The envelope can then be placed in the box in the Church and the names will remain on the Altar for the month of November.



### Blessing of the Graves

**St. Corban's Cemetery, Naas**  
**Sunday 5th November, 2.30pm**  
**Bodenstown Cemetery, Sallins**  
**Sunday 5th November, 10.30am**  
**Two Mile House Cemetery**  
**Sunday 19th November**  
**after Mass**

## PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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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

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TWITTER: @naasparish

PRIEST ON DUTY: **085 708 8407**

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

## PARISH TEAM

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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.*

## PARISH FINANCES

**Naas:** Development Fund: €3,665 Offertory: €3,050

**Online donations** (26th Oct - 1st Nov): €442

**Tap & Go** (26th Oct - 1st Nov): €380

**Sallins:** Envelopes: €255 Baskets: €1,030

**TMH:** €520

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

Maeve Dunne, St. Martin's Avenue

Seamus Leydon, Stephenstown

Marguerite Dempsey, Craddockstown

Mary Callaghan, Lacken View

Gretta McDonnell (née Coogan),  
formerly Sunday's Well.

**MAY THEY REST IN PEACE**



## Recent Baptisms

Leon Mulhall, Dun Na Riogh

Chloe Mulhall, Dun Na Riogh

Harry McAllister, Bellingsfield



## Baptism Meetings:

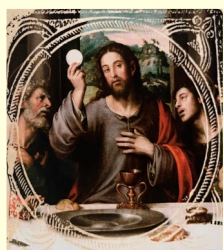
2nd & 4th Tuesdays of each month at  
8pm in Room 4, Ballycane Church.

There is no need to book.



## HOLY MASS, COME AND FIND OUT MORE

We continue the journey this Tuesday...



**The Story of the  
Sacrifice of Issac**

**COME AND LET'S DISCOVER  
MASS TOGETHER!**

**Tuesday 7th November,  
Ballycane Church at 7.15pm**

## MASS TIMES for the Pastoral Area of

### Naas, Sallins, TMH & Kill

#### 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

**SUNDAYS:** 10.30am & 12noon

#### OUR LADY & THE GUARDIAN ANGELS, SALLINS

**WEEKDAYS:** Fri: 10am

**Sat Vigil:** 7pm

**SUNDAYS:** 11.30am

#### CHURCH OF ST PETER, TWO MILE HOUSE

**WEEKDAYS:** Mon. - Fri.: 9.30am

**SUNDAYS:** 10am

#### CHURCH OF ST BRIGID, KILL

**WEEKDAYS:** Mon. - Fri.: 10am

**SATURDAYS:** 6.30pm

**SUNDAYS:** 11am

#### CHURCH OF ST ANNE, ARDCLOUGH

**SUNDAYS:** 9.30am

**FIRST FRIDAYS:** 8pm

## CONFESSIONS

*take place in Sallins Church on Thursdays 3pm - 5pm  
and in Our Lady & St David's Church on  
Saturdays after the 10am Mass.*



**Adoration will take place in  
Ballycane Church on  
Thursday, 9th November,  
9.15pm-10.15pm.**



## SALLINS SUNSHINE CLUB

Meeting next Wednesday 8th November  
at 2pm in Sallins Community Centre.



## November Remembrance Masses

*A Mass to remember those who have died in the past year...*

TMH Parish:

Sunday 19th November  
at 10am



## Family Masses: November

2ND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH—ALL ARE WELCOME

Sunday 12th November

OLSD Sat. 6pm & Sun. 11am

Ballycane Sunday 10.30am & 12.00

TMH: Sunday 10am

Sallins: There will be no weekend Family Mass in Sallins; however the First Communion Classes from St Laurence's National School will attend a weekday Mass with their teachers.



All families are welcome to attend a family Mass in any of our churches which suits their weekend schedule.



## St. Peter's Church TMH

There will be **NO** morning Mass on the following dates in November:  
13th, 14th, 15th 20th and 21st.



Caragh Pastoral Council invites you to:

- Remembrance Mass: Saturday, November 18th at 6:30pm
- Memorial service for babies who passed away through miscarriage, Still birth and Neo Natal deaths. Fri., November 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm.

*All are welcome.*

More details available at Caragh Parish Office, (045) 875602

## Knock Vigil:

Fancy a night away with a difference? Knock shrine is hosting its annual **all-night vigil on Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> December**. The theme for this is: 'A Light to Enlighten the World.' Confessions will be held from 10pm until midnight. The Vigil will continue in the Basilica from midnight with Rosary, Holy Hour, Reflections and Prayer, concluding with Mass at 4am. We would be happy to organise transport to and from the event. Please let us know in the Parish Office if you are interested in attending.



## Pioneer Pledge

Many families choose to abstain from alcohol in order to support a relation who is making their way through the 12 steps of the AA programme. Parishioners who wish to take a **short-term Pioneer pledge during the month of the Holy Souls** can contact [www.pioneers.ie/pray](http://www.pioneers.ie/pray).

They will be glad to provide you with their newsletter or other resources which will support your journey. They will pray for you and for the person whom you are "carrying in prayer" at this time.



## Catholic Marriage Encounter

To celebrate the 50th anniversary of Catholic Marriage Encounter in Ireland a special Weekend has been scheduled for the 10th - 12th November 2023. **Venue: The Focolare Centre, Prosperous, Co. Kildare. Eircode W91 XR23.**

***This Weekend is available to all married couples at no fixed charge beyond the deposit of €50 per couple and a voluntary donation.***

To book visit [www.marriageencounter.ie](http://www.marriageencounter.ie)

## Miscarriage Association of Ireland - Annual Service of Remembrance

All parents, siblings, grandparents and others affected by the loss of a baby, whether that loss was recent or long ago, are invited to attend the Annual Service of Remembrance on Sunday November 12th at 3pm in St Teresa's Church, Donore Ave, Dublin 8.



COMMEMORATION OF THE SERVANT OF GOD

# FRANK DUFF

FOUNDER OF THE LEGION OF MARY

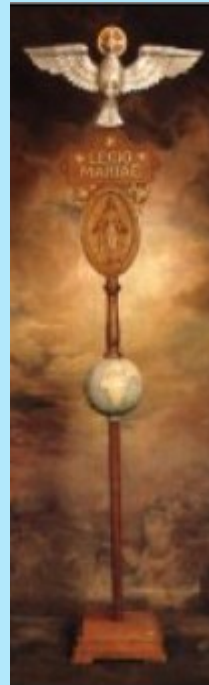
## 43RD ANNIVERSARY MASS

in St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral, Marlborough St., Dublin 1

Saturday 18th November 2023 at 3.00pm

Very Reverend Msgr Dan O'Connor  
Principal Celebrant & Homilist

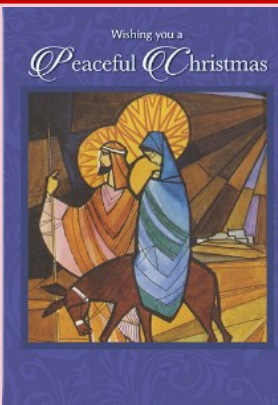
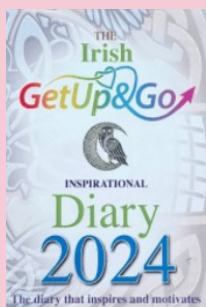
ALL ARE WELCOME







A selection of Advent Calendars, Diaries & Calendars for 2024 and boxed Christmas Cards are now available in the Parish Shops on the Sallins Road and at Ballycane Church.



Also, a wide selection of signed Christmas Mass Bouquets, Nativity Sets, Candles, Children's Books, Decorations and Gifts & Teddy Bears!



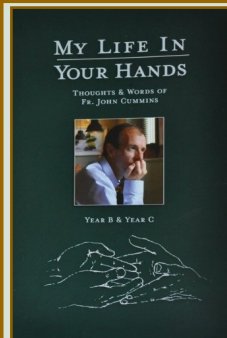
**Stamps also on sale!**



*The Parish Shop on the Sallins Road is now offering a new range of framed prints, greetings cards for all occasions and 'keepsake cards'. Call in for a browse.*



**My Painted Bear**



**MY LIFE IN YOUR HANDS**

by **Fr. John Cummins**

This second volume contains Fr. John's sermons for Year B and Year C of the church cycle. It also contains reflections for secondary school students, tributes by friends and numerous photographs.

"My Life in Your Hands" retails at €15 and all proceeds after printing costs will be donated to the diocese of Kildare and Leighlin.

*Available now in both of the Parish Shops.*

## Naas Musical Society

# Gala Variety Concert

Join Naas Musical Society for three nights of music, drama and comedy  
Opening night in aid of Celine's Cancer Quest

November 6th-8th 2023

Director: Mona Conroy  
Musical Director Mairead McKenna  
Choreographer: Grace McGrath

The Moat Theatre at 7.30pm sharp.  
Tickets available from The Moat box office : 045 883 030  
**Tickets: €20**



**On Sale in the Parish Shop on the Sallins Road**



## COFFEE MORNING

Take a Mo-moment to join us for our Movember Coffee Morning in support of Men's Mental Health, Prostate and Testicular cancer:

**Friday 10th November 2023 in Clane GAA Centre at 11am**

*If you can't join us why not host a coffee morning in your workplace, home or School*

**Little Way Cancer Research Centre**



# Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw

There was **no winner** of the €7,250 Jackpot on 1st Nov.

Numbers Drawn were: 14-15-1-11

**Congratulations to the Lucky Dip Winners:**  
**S. Traynor, J. McEvoy, M. Kilfeather, A. Dowling**

**You could win the Jackpot of €7,500 on Wednesday, 8th November.**

**Tickets are €2 each.**

**Thank you for your continued support.**