

# Parish Newsletter

11th February 2024

*Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

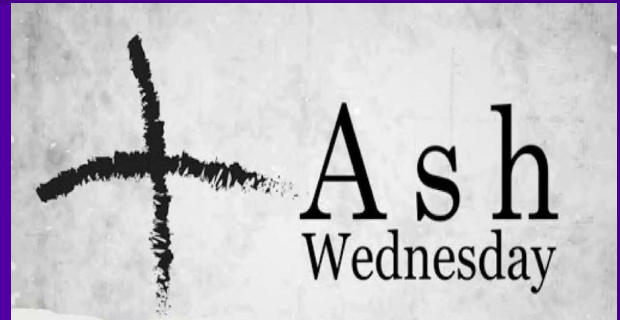
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## Mass Times for Ash Wednesday

Our Lady & St. David:	7.30am and 10am
Sallins Church:	10am
Two Mile House:	9.30am
Ballycane Church:	7pm



On Tuesdays in Lent, you might like to consider one of the following:

Tuesday mornings after the 10am Mass in the Upper Room:

Scripture Sharing on the Sunday readings of Lent  
starting on Tuesday 13th February.

On Tuesday evenings at 7.15pm in Ballycane Church join Fr. Robert for  
**HOLY MASS, COME AND FIND OUT MORE**

The journey continues this Tuesday, 13th February with  
Bread of Life Discourse Part 2 - Eat My flesh



## On Fridays:

join with the Legion of Mary as they pray the Stations of the Cross each Friday  
afternoon in Lent at 3pm in Our Lady and St. David's Church.


**All are welcome.**



**Join us on Palm Sunday, 24th March,  
in Punchestown at 3pm**


**As we walk the track and pray  
the Stations of the Cross together.**

## Keeping Lent Global...



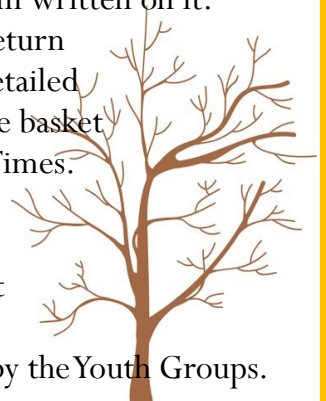
Malita, Patricia and Patrick are suffering every day in Malawi from the extreme effects of climate change, facing severe flooding and burning dry spells within a single season. You can support this family to build a better future.

**Please collect your Trocaire Box today and take it home with you.**



## Keeping Lent Local...

**Alms-Giving Tree:** During Lent each of the four Churches will host a tree. Instead of leaves, these trees will have labels, each of which has an item written on it. You are invited to take a label and return the following week with the item detailed on it which can then be placed in the basket at the base of the tree during Mass Times. These could be items of food, household goods, toiletries etc, and will be distributed by NaasPoint to people in need in the parishes. This initiative is being coordinated by the Youth Groups.



## PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

NAAS PARISH OFFICE: Tel.: 045 879 730

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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

FACEBOOK: [facebook.com/naasparish](https://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	Hazelmere	045 879 730
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:** Ailish Higgins  
**Deputy Diocesan Liaison Person:** Michele Hughes,  
c/o Bishop's House, Carlow **Phone:** 085 802 1633

*Safeguarding Policy displayed in all Church Porches.*

## 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

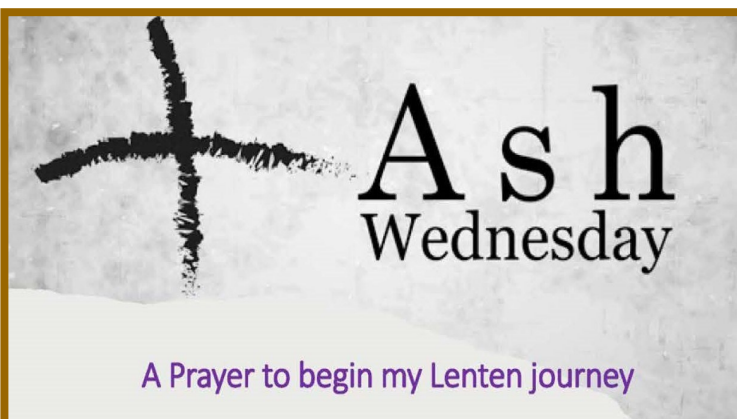
### CHURCH OF ST ANNE, ARDCLOUGH

**SUNDAYS:** 9.30am  
**FIRST FRIDAYS:** 8pm

**Thank you to all who made the Brigid Crosses**  
**this year raising a grand total of €992.**

## PARISH FINANCES

**Naas:** Development Fund: €3875  
**Online donations** (1st - 7th Feb): €350  
**Tap & Go** (1st - 7th Feb): €485  
**Sallins:** Envelopes: €390 Baskets: €605  
**TMH:** €615



**Ash Wednesday**

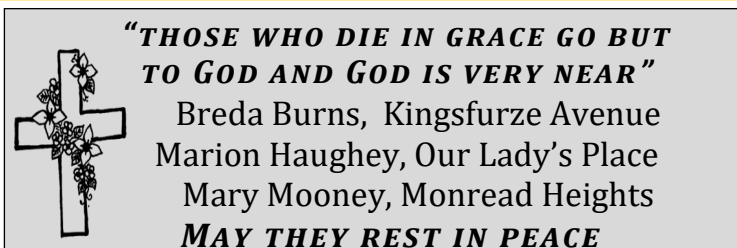
*A Prayer to begin my Lenten journey*

Loving Jesus,  
as I place on my forehead the sign of your saving cross  
You say to me, repent and believe in the Gospel.  
Walking into Lent my heart is set on you.  
May my *fasting* fill me with hunger for you,  
may my *prayer* draw me deeper into your presence,  
may my *acts of charity* bring your love  
to my home and community.  
Lord of life,  
grant that by turning back to you in these 40 days  
I will re-awaken the joy of my Easter faith;  
for you raise me up from fear and despair  
and call me to hope and trust in God who is with me always.  
With you, I will rise again. Amen.



**Recent Baptisms**  
**James Healy, Kilcullen**  
**Harris Doherty, Cavan**

**Today's Readings are on pages**  
**137-139 of the Mass Book.**



**"THOSE WHO DIE IN GRACE GO BUT  
TO GOD AND GOD IS VERY NEAR"**  
Breda Burns, Kingsfurze Avenue  
Marion Haughey, Our Lady's Place  
Mary Mooney, Monread Heights  
**MAY THEY REST IN PEACE**



## FAITH FRIENDS 2024

Over 60 Confirmation candidates took part in the Faith Friends Programme during the month of January. They met each Friday evening for prayer, music and group discussion.

The topics covered included: God makes each of us in His image, friendship, caring, and belonging. Each evening the young people talked about the presence of God in their lives. Helen Mahon led them in learning "This Little Light of Mine", which Bishop Denis has chosen as the Confirmation Theme for this year.

Their enthusiasm, good humour and willingness to participate made this programme a huge success, and enjoyable for everyone.

The evenings were organised by the Youth Ministry Team, and we thank them for their commitment to the young people preparing for Confirmation.



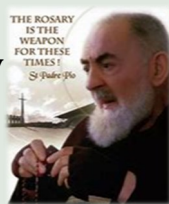
The group discussions were facilitated by twelve young people who showed incredible dedication to this work. Many of them are taking part in the Pope John Paul II Awards this year, and others have already received the Award.

A huge thanks to these young leaders for sharing their faith journey with their Faith Friends, and for bringing such fun to the experience as well. We all look forward to the Confirmation Ceremonies in the coming weeks.



The monthly **St Pio Rosary** will be recited in St Mary's Church, Edenderry on Sunday 11th February at 3.30pm. After the Rosary, St Pio's glove will be available for those who would like to be blessed.

If you are unable to attend you can view it on webcam. **All welcome.**



The Rosary will be recited at 9pm on Sunday, 11th February at the Grotto of Our Lady & St. David's to mark the Feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes.

**All are welcome**



**Cemetery Mass in St. Corban's Cemetery will take place on 5th June 2024.**



### *Nourishing our Communities*

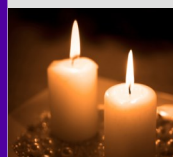
Learn about **growing food in our communities, for our communities**; with a screening of "Together We Grow", the true

story of a community enriched by growing food for their neighbours, followed by a panel discussion, refreshments and chat. Contact [info@ccen.ie](mailto:info@ccen.ie) for details.

**Venue:** Presentation de la Salle School, Bagenalstown, R21 X096. **When** Tues 20<sup>th</sup> Feb 7.15pm-9.30pm.

**Admission** FREE, book a seat on the CCEN Eventbrite via website: [www.ccen.ie/together-we-grow/](http://www.ccen.ie/together-we-grow/)

### **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR SURVIVORS & VICTIMS OF ABUSE 16TH FEBRUARY. ATONEMENT PRAYER:**



Lord, forgive us our many sins.

We grieve and repent with all our hearts for having offended you, for our great failings and neglect of the young and vulnerable.

We place all of those who have been hurt by the

Church in any way into your loving hands and under the protection of Our Blessed Mother. Lord, bring peace to their broken lives and show us all the way out of darkness and into the light of your Word. May we as the people of God be more fully human, more fully Christ-like and more fully your people, that we may see the errors of the past and go forward with renewed hope and faith in Christ and in our Church. Amen.

*The Irish Catholic: Available in the Parish Shop, Sallins Road*

**The Faith has never been more needed  
in modern Ireland – help keep it alive**



## Samaritans: Would you like to Volunteer?

Newbridge Kildare Samaritans are holding a recruitment Information evening in

- The Keadeen Hotel, Newbridge on the 14<sup>th</sup> of February at 19.30 and
- The Westgrove Hotel Clane on 14<sup>th</sup> February the at 19.30.

We would welcome anyone interested in joining us in our important work. We will give all the necessary information to help make the decision.

***You can make a real difference***

**SAMARITANS**

## Naas Probus Club:

The Club has just commenced its activities for 2024. It was founded some 26 years ago to cater for men in retirement who want to remain active and maintain a social network with others who have similar interests. Naas Probus meets twice monthly on the second and fourth Monday of each month in the Town House Hotel, Naas at 11.00 am. Those wishing to join should contact any member of the committee, drop in to one of club meetings or contact Hugh at: [hughecrawford@gmail.com](mailto:hughecrawford@gmail.com)



**Sister Sheds**

## SISTER SHEDS

Connecting women together in a supportive and empowering environment. New Members welcome (over 18 with no upper limit!). Our focus is on the mental and physical well-being of our members. We meet in the Monread Community Centre every Wednesday 8.15pm-10pm. To join and make new friends please call in for a cuppa & chat. **For further information please call 085 88777619.**

## Nas Na Ríogh Senior Citizens:

Our next meeting is on Weds 14th February. For more information please call 087 228 1512. New Members welcome.

## SALLINS SUNSHINE CLUB

The Club will meet next Weds 14th Feb. at 2pm in Sallins Community Centre.



**Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo,** 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2024. €799pps. Price includes 5 nights' in 4\* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Full Board. Afternoon Tea at Ashford Castle. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. **Call 094 9006426 or 087 1890 236 or email [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com).**

## 'Resurrexit: FINDING GOD FINDING ME.

Zoom workshop on Sat. 17th Feb., 10am to 2.30 pm, given by **Denis Gleeson CFC**. All are welcome to tune in after breakfast! For zoom details please email Grace at [resurrexitcommunity@gmail.com](mailto:resurrexitcommunity@gmail.com) or call 086-8161043 or 087-2160126. Suggested donation € 40.

## Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw

**Jackpot now stands at €10,000**

**Numbers Drawn on 7th February: 2-11-7-4**

**Lucky Dip: S. Coakley, Anon., P. Waldron, E. Denieffe**

**You could win the Jackpot of €10,000 on Weds 14<sup>th</sup> February.**

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

**Also on the Parish Website or Parish App.**

**Thank you for your support!**

