

# Parish Newsletter

17th March 2024

Fifth Sunday in Lent

St. Patrick's Day

No: 1938



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## Sallins Church Centenary - Refurbishment Works

In October 2024 the Church of Our Lady and the Guardian Angels in Sallins will be 100 years old. In order to mark this special occasion it is planned to carry out some improvement works to the church. Bishop Denis has also kindly agreed to dedicate our newly refurbished Church at a date to be confirmed. The improvement works are designed to enhance this unique church that has been loved and cared for by generations of parishioners. The plans have been formed with advice from church restoration experts and discussed and reviewed by the Parish Finance Committee and the Parish Pastoral Council. The main focus will be improvements to the church sanctuary, and it is also planned to enhance the body of the church with improved lighting and a new carpet. The sanctuary is going to be somewhat enlarged and will have a new single-level carpeted floor. The sanctuary walls are going to be painted to lift and brighten it and to emphasise the window. The sanctuary doors will be replaced with new decorative doors.

New sanctuary furniture and a new altar will be provided. The existing altar is going to be refurbished and re-positioned in its original High Altar format under the stained glass window. In order to allow this to take place, a temporary altar will be provided in the coming weeks.

In the main body of the church, the Stations of the Cross will be re-positioned and re-hung. You may notice that the confession box has been removed. It wasn't in use due to its poor acoustics and restricted exit. It was also in very poor condition. It didn't make sense to invest money in upgrading it when its design would continue to render it unusable.

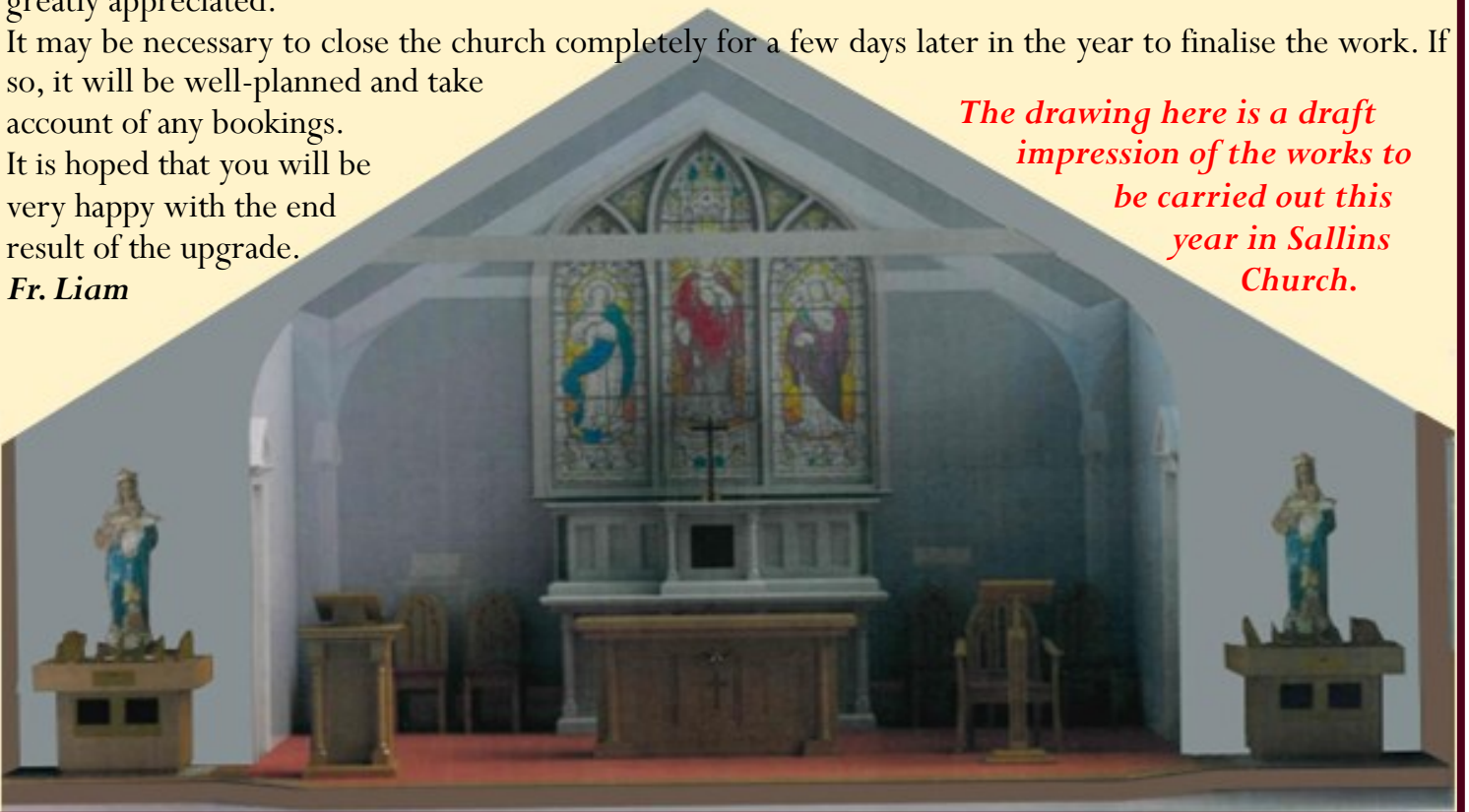
Over the coming weeks you may see evidence of the ongoing programme of works with tradespeople in the church during the weekdays. Mass will continue to be celebrated as per the normal schedule. The aim is to carry out the work with the minimum of disruption but inevitably there will be some, for which we apologise in advance. You will be kept informed as the programme progresses. Your understanding is greatly appreciated.

It may be necessary to close the church completely for a few days later in the year to finalise the work. If so, it will be well-planned and take account of any bookings.

It is hoped that you will be very happy with the end result of the upgrade.

Fr. Liam

*The drawing here is a draft impression of the works to be carried out this year in Sallins Church.*



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Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 1pm

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## PARISH TEAM

Fr. Liam Morgan	Sallins Road	087 133 7879
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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 & Gillian Fitzharris  
**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.*

**An Invitation from Bishop Denis  
to join him for  
the Chrism Mass in  
Carlow Cathedral**

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm**

There will be a return bus to the Cathedral  
leaving Sallins at 5.20pm and  
leaving Ballycane Church at 5.45pm.



To put your name down for the bus, please  
drop into the Parish office on the Sallins  
Road or call 045 879 730.

*Please note those participating in the Mass who need to be  
there early, should make their own travel arrangements.*



***Come along and Walk, Talk and Pray together***

We invite you to join us on Palm Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup>  
March in Punchestown at 3pm as we walk the  
track and pray the Stations of the Cross  
together. Track suitable for buggies,  
dogs on leads welcome. Meet at  
the Parade Ring.

**PUNCHESTOWN**



The Rosary will be recited in honour of the  
Feast of the Annunciation at 8pm on  
Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March at the Grotto in  
Our Lady & St. David's Church

## Recent Baptisms

Eabha McHugh, Morell Green  
Charlotte Young, Brannockstown  
Fíadh Kelleher, Sallins



## **Divine Mercy Sunday**

will be celebrated in the Church  
of Our Lady & St. David on  
Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April.

The Novena of the Chaplet of  
Divine Mercy will commence  
on Good Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> March  
before the Easter Ceremonies.

**All are Welcome.**

*"I desire that the whole world know My Infinite Mercy."*



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

Thomas Connolly, Sunday's Well  
**MAY HE REST IN PEACE**

## **HOLY MASS, COME AND FIND OUT MORE**

We continue the journey this Tuesday...



**THE MASS: EMMAUS AND  
THE MYSTERY OF THE  
EUCCHARIST**

**Part 2 - THE MYSTERY OF  
THE EUCCHARIST**

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

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March,  
Ballycane Church at 7.15pm**

**Tuesday mornings after the 10am Mass  
in the Upper Room: Scripture Sharing  
on the Sunday readings of Lent.**

## PARISH FINANCES

**Naas:** Development Fund: €3,354 Offertory: €3,745

**Online donations** (7<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> Mar): €343

**Tap & Go** (7<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> Mar): €655

**Sallins:** Envelopes: €300 Baskets: €570

**TMH:** €475

Join the Legion of Mary in praying the  
Stations of the

Cross each Friday in Lent

at 3pm in the Church of Our Lady  
and St. David.

All welcome.





## Easter Raffle

Win a lovely

## Easter Hamper

Full of delicious  
seasonal treats.

Tickets €3 each or 4 for €10 available at the  
Parish Shop (Sallins Rd.).

The draw will be held Tuesday 26th March at 2pm  
in the Parish Shop on the Sallins Road.



## St. Patrick's Breastplate

Christ with me  
Christ before me  
Christ behind me,  
Christ within me,  
Christ below me,  
Christ above me,  
Christ on my right hand,  
Christ on my left hand,  
Christ in my sleeping,  
Christ in my waking,  
Christ in the heart of all  
who think of me,



Christ in the mouth of  
all who speak of me,  
Christ in every eye that  
looks at me,  
Christ in every ear that  
listens to me.

## Confirmation

## Celebration Mass

**SUNDAY 24TH MARCH**

4TH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

**12NOON IN BALLYCANE CHURCH**

Those who were recently Confirmed and  
their families are invited to attend this  
special Mass.



For **MASS TIMES** for the Pastoral Area of  
Naas, Sallins, TMH & Kill  
SEE PARISH WEBSITE: [www.naasparish.ie](http://www.naasparish.ie)  
or the PARISH APP.

## Mental Health Peer-Support Buddy Training:

Cycle Against Suicide is offering online training  
in Mental Health Peer-Support. Trained Peer-  
Supporters are: attuned to subtle shifts in their  
community's well-being & help in suicide  
prevention. This heightened awareness  
fosters a culture of genuine care and  
concern. For more information please go to  
[www.cycleagainstsuicide.com](http://www.cycleagainstsuicide.com)



## Kildare Older Persons' Council

**AGM:** Thur. 21st Mar. the Westgrove Hotel,  
Clane from 11.00am – 1.00pm

Representing the views, experiences and concerns of  
people over 55 years in county Kildare.  
Tea and coffee and a light lunch. Everybody is welcome.  
Contact [kildareopc22@gmail.com](mailto:kildareopc22@gmail.com) or telephone Carmel  
045 980200 for more information.



## Solemn Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Takes place in **Monasterevin Church**  
20th - 22nd March from 7.30pm each evening.  
All are very welcome to join.

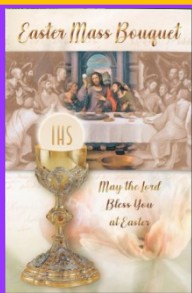


**TMH Church Annual Spring Clean** will take place on  
the evening of Friday 22nd March and the morning of  
Saturday 23rd March. **All help greatly appreciated.**

A large range of Easter Mass  
Bouquets and Easter Cards  
now available in both Parish



Shops,  
including  
Trocaire Easter  
Greetings Cards.



## Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw

**Jackpot now stands at €10,000**

**Numbers Drawn on 13th March: 27-15-10-3**

**Lucky Dip:** Anon., H. McSweeney, D. Buckley, S. O'Rourke

**You could win the Jackpot of €10,000 on Weds 20th March.**

**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!**



# Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House Parishes

## PENANCE SERVICES

KILL	7.30pm	Tuesday 26th March
OUR LADY & ST. DAVID	7.30pm	Wednesday 27th March

## HOLY THURSDAY, 28TH MARCH

Irish Martyrs Day Chapel	10am	Morning Prayer
Our Lady & St. David	7.30pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper
Irish Martyrs	6pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper (earlier time to suit families, children especially welcome)
Sallins	7.30pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper
Two Mile House	7.30pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper
Adoration Following the 7.30pm Mass in the Our Lady & St. David's, there will be quiet Prayer / Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, concluding with Night Prayer at 10pm.		

## GOOD FRIDAY, 29TH MARCH

Irish Martyrs Day Chapel	10am	Morning Prayer
Our Lady & St. David	3pm	Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
	7pm	Stations of the Cross
Irish Martyrs	5pm	Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
	9pm	Ecumenical Prayer around the Cross
Sallins	3pm	Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
	7pm	Stations of the Cross
Two Mile House	3pm	Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
	7.30pm	Stations of the Cross
Ecumenical Prayer	8pm	Prayer in St. David's Church of Ireland
		<i>followed by a procession with the Cross to Ballycane Church for:</i>
	9pm	Prayer around the Cross, Irish Martyrs

## HOLY SATURDAY, 30TH MARCH

Irish Martyrs Day Chapel	10am	Morning Prayer
Our Lady & St. David	10am-1pm	Confessions
Our Lady & St. David	8pm	Easter Vigil
Irish Martyrs	8pm	Easter Vigil
Sallins	8pm	Easter Vigil
Two Mile House	8pm	Easter Vigil

## EASTER SUNDAY, 31ST MARCH

(Please note that the clocks will go forward one hour on the night of Easter Saturday-Easter Sunday)

Punchestown	7am	Sunrise Liturgy
Our Lady & St. David	9am	11am <u>No 6pm Mass on Easter Sunday evening</u>
Irish Martyrs	10.30am	12noon
Sallins	10am	11.30am
Two Mile House	10am	

## EASTER WEEKDAY MASSES

From Monday 1st until Friday 5th April 10am Mass only in Our Lady & St. David's  
**No other weekday Masses in the Irish Martyrs or Sallins.**

There will be no Adoration in the Upper Room in OLSD from Palm Sunday until 13th April.  
In Ballycane Church, Adoration will finish on Wednesday 27th March and resume on Monday 8th April.

**Trócaire Boxes may be returned to the Churches from Holy Thursday onwards or, into one of the Parish Offices after Easter.**