Parish Newsletter 14th April 2024 **Third Sunday of Easter**



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Holy Week Ceremonies 2024

It was so edifying and encouraging to witness the attendance, participation and involvement of so many during our Holy Week Liturgies. These are the moments of our Catholic Faith that speak to the very heart of the Christian Message of Easter. God, both human and divine, revealed to us in the face of Christ Jesus, whose resurrection is our ultimate reason for being a people of hope. A hope that endures and sustains us on the journey of life.

This weekend, we express our sincere thanks to all who contributed in any way to our Holy Week Ceremonies: Sacristans, Altar Servers, Ministers of the Word and Eucharist, collectors & counters, choirs, cantors and organists. PowerPoint operators, Stewards and volunteers, those who clean our Churches. For the floral arrangements and Sacred Spaces that helped to lift the senses, recognising an Easter beauty that speaks of light and life.

Thanks to our shop and office staff on the Sallins Road and in Ballycane.

And finally, to you, for your own attendance and participation.

It is a collective effort, but so worthwhile and rewarding when everyone is involved!

Thank you.

Easter Collection : Priests of the Parish - Thank you!

On my own behalf and on behalf of my colleagues, I wish to express to you our sincere gratitude and deep appreciation for your kind and very generous support for the above collection for Easter. We feel deeply supported and for that, we are most grateful!

Thank you from Michael, Alex, Robert and Liam

Fr. Alex to return to his home diocese.



It is with a reluctant and heavy heart that I share with you significant news affecting our parishes of Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House. After eight years of ministry among us, Fr. Alex is to return to his home diocese of Kerala, India.

Fr. Alex will be leaving us at the end of May, in anticipation of a new appointment from his bishop in Kerala.

We are very sorry to see Alex leave us, but we do appreciate the motivation that underpins this decision. After eleven years of generous and dedicated priestly service to the diocese of Kildare & Leighlin, his return home will be welcomed first and foremost by his Mum and Dad, his family, as well as his home diocese. Moving is never easy! Even when it is a return home, we do put down deep roots that are reflected in friendships formed and experiences shared. We will have an opportunity over the coming weeks to acknowledge, recognise and express our gratitude to Alex for his ministry amongst us over these past eight years.

In a spirit of friendship and fraternal care we will keep Alex in our prayers as he undertakes this time of transition, embarking upon a new chapter in his priestly vocation.

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

Naas:Geraldine Faherty & Adrian KingSallins:Dermot McGilloway & Gillian FitzharrisTwo Mile House:Paula Clancy & Suzanne Powell

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		
<u>Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane</u>				

WEDNESDAYS:	7pm
SUNDAYS:	10.30am & 12noo

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 <u>CHURCH OF ST BRIGID, KILL</u> WEEKDAYS: Mon. - Fri.: <u>10am</u>

SATURDAYS: 6.30pm SUNDAYS: 11am <u>CHURCH OF ST ANNE, ARDCLOUGH</u> SUNDAYS: 9.30am

FIRST FRIDAYS:

9.30am 8pm



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PARISH FINANCES

Naas: Development Fund: €4,930 Offertory:€3,260 Online donations (4th - 10th Apr): €395 Tap & Go (4th - 10th Apr): €535 Sallins: Envelopes: €250 Baskets: €480 TMH: €500

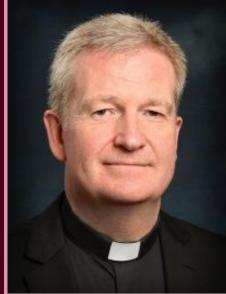
> *THOSE WHO DIE IN GRACE GO BUT TO GOD AND GOD IS VERY NEAR*Josephine Sullivan, Lacken View Mairead Heffernan, Killashee
> Christine Comerford, Newbridge
> Patrick Fennessy, St. Brigid's Tce. John Glenny, Brannockstown
> Gertrude McKenna, Monread Gdns Patsy Igoe, The Paddocks
> Kathleen Noone, Patrician Avenue
> MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Recent Baptisms

Isla Lane, Roseville Lucy Kehoe, Sallins Sophie Scott, Landen Park Mia O'Brien, Osberstown

PowerPoint Volunteers required

to operate the PowerPoints on the screens in Our Lady and St. David's Church at Sunday Masses. Volunteers particularly needed at the 6pm evening masses on Saturdays and Sundays. Training given. Please contact the Parish Office.



Congratulations to Bishop Paul Dempsey on his recent appointment.

Pope Francis has appointed him to the Titular See of Sita and as Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Dublin.

Paul served as Curate in Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House from 2009 until his move to Newbridge in 2014.

He has a special connection with Two Mile House where he lived, and which is also the final resting place of his parents: Berry and Tony. We wish Paul all the very best in his new role.

Now, with his move from the West of Ireland over to the Eastern side of the country, we are sure that he will be a familiar face going forwards.



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





Lucky Dip: Anon., Anon., T. Hanlon, S. Morahan

You could win the Jackpot of €10,000 on Weds 17th April.

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!

