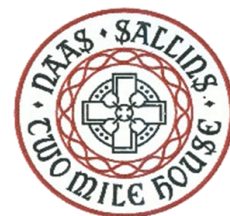


Parish Newsletter

23rd November 2025

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

No: 2022



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Congratulations to Ann and Nigel Swan, pictured here in the Parish Shop on the Sallins Road, receiving their prize cheque from Jo Coy, Parish Draw Manager, and Fr. Liam. Also present from the Lotto Committee were Patricia Stokes and Seamus Morahan. Members of the Lotto Committee who were not there for the photo: Marion Stapleton, Grace Keevans, Rose McCabe and Mary Harte.

Appointments of the new Permanent Deacons

A message from Bishop Denis...

On Sunday 26th October last, I was delighted to ordain five more Permanent Deacons for ministry in the diocese. Our new deacons are most welcome to the diocesan family and they will take up their appointments this coming weekend (22nd/23rd November).

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| Jody Callan | is appointed to Naas, Sallins, Two Mile House and the Pastoral Area which includes Kill |
| John Delaney | is appointed to Abbeyleix, Ballinakill & Raheen and the Pastoral Area which includes Ballyadams, Stradbally, Portlaoise, Ballyfin & Mountrath |
| Sebastian Kopijka | is appointed to Mountmellick and the Pastoral Area which includes Rosenallis, Clonaslee, Portarlinton & Emo |
| Michal Mizgala | is appointed to Kill and the Pastoral Area which includes Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House |
| Declan Prendergast | is appointed to Kildare and the Pastoral Area which includes Monasterevin & Rathangan |

The first named parish is the lead parish in relation to each deacon's appointment. Appointing each one of them to a Pastoral Area shows the importance of working together, collaboratively.

I wish the new deacons every blessing in their ministry and I know they will be heartily welcomed wherever they serve.

✠ Denis

Summary of Sallins Accounts for 2024

| <u>Income Received</u> | 2024 | 2023 |
|---|-----------------|----------------|
| Basket Collection | 28,124 | 28,227 |
| Envelope Collection (including the once-off collection) | 36,384 | 23,250 |
| Shrine Income | 7,931 | 8,266 |
| Rental Income | 11,878 | 10,088 |
| Fundraising (Parish Social) | 1,010 | - |
| Tax Refunds/Rebate | 6,791 | 9,391 |
| Weddings/Graves/Church Bookings | 1,800 | 1,810 |
| Other Income | 2,250 | 4,994 |
| | €96,168 | €86,505 |
| <u>Expenditure Incurred</u> | | |
| Office Admin, Newsletters | 8,000 | 8,000 |
| Pastoral Programme Expenses | 179 | 547 |
| Insurance | 3,119 | 3,114 |
| Security | 1,350 | 30 |
| Light and heat | 1,195 | 1,213 |
| Rates, Water, LPT Waste Collection | 577 | 186 |
| Repairs and maintenance | 127,777 | 3,082 |
| Diocesan Levy | 17,196 | 17,196 |
| Printing and Stationery | 402 | 888 |
| Altar Shrine Requisites | 4,180 | 5,179 |
| Telephone, Broadband, Internet and Computer expenses | 2,491 | 2,077 |
| Music/Choir Expenses | 4,737 | 4,950 |
| Legal and Professional | 9,672 | 1,876 |
| Accountancy/Banking Fees | 330 | 268 |
| General expenses | 2,100 | 2,450 |
| | €183,296 | €51,535 |
| Surplus of income over expenditure | -€87,128 | €34,969 |

To the Parishioners of Sallins,

Thank you very much to all our parishioners for the financial support which we continue to receive. The 2024 income via the envelope collection this year was boosted by the once-off collection for the refurbishment works to the sanctuary and for that we are most grateful. In addition, we continue to receive strong rental income from the car parking area which also supports the upkeep of the church. Our main expense in 2024 was the church sanctuary refurbishment to celebrate our 100th anniversary and also legal and professional fees in relation to preparations for the ongoing sale of the plot of land to the rear of the parish community centre.

The Parish qualifies for the Charitable Donation Scheme and is entitled to reclaim tax at a rate of 45% on donations of more than €250 per year. To take advantage of this scheme, we must be able to record donations. We would therefore encourage you to donate in a way this can be achieved and the easiest way is through the weekly envelope boxes or via standing order. For more information on taking part in this scheme, please contact Sarah in the Parish Office or one of the members of our finance committee.

Renewed thanks for your kind and wonderful support to the Parish of Sallins, week in and week out.

Kieran O'Keeffe, Chairperson - November 2025

Finance Committee: Kieran O'Keeffe (Chairperson), Mary McConnon (Secretary), Fr. Liam Morgan, Fr. Robert Petrisor, Geraldine Sexton, Brian Kenny, Garrett Prendiville, Tom Cross

Summary of Two Mile House Accounts for 2024

| | 2024 | 2023 |
|---|----------------|-----------------|
| <u>Income Received</u> | | |
| Basket Collection | €20,967 | €22,446 |
| Envelope Collection | €16,357 | €17,621 |
| Shrine Income | €4,340 | €3,310 |
| Tax Refunds/Rebate | €12,979 | €9,578 |
| Weddings/Graves/Church Bookings | €6,289 | €7,350 |
| Income from Parish Investment Fund | €918 | €910 |
| Other Income | €1,486 | €2,635 |
| | €63,337 | €63,850 |
| <u>Expenditure incurred</u> | | |
| Office support, newsletters | € 7,000 | € 7,000 |
| Pastoral Programme Expenses | € 202 | €0 |
| Insurance | € 2,892 | € 2,889 |
| Security | € 3,548 | € 2,521 |
| Light and heat | € 5,150 | € 3,776 |
| Cleaning | € 204 | € 195 |
| Repairs and maintenance | € 7,139 | € 60,947 |
| Diocesan Levy | € 4,310 | € 4,310 |
| Printing and Stationery | € 279 | € 243 |
| Altar Shrine Requisites | € 1,401 | € 1,334 |
| Computer software, hardware and servicing costs | € 1,668 | € 4,242 |
| Accountancy Fees/bank charges | € 1,997 | € 2,016 |
| Youth and Community Expenses | € 1,685 | € 141 |
| General expenses | € 3,000 | € 2,600 |
| | €40,474 | €92,214 |
| Surplus of income over expenditure | €22,862 | -€28,364 |

To the Parishioners of Two Mile House,

The members of the Parish Finance Committee thank you, most sincerely, for your contributions to the finances of the Parish. The summary statement above reflects income from collections, a significant tax refund and other income from candles and the purchase of graves. Spending in 2024 was in line with previous years across the areas as shown above.

The tax refund received in 2024 was based mainly on a claim under the Charitable Donation Scheme (€11,300), with a larger than usual refund under the VAT Compensation Scheme for Charities (€1,670) arising from the higher spending on maintenance in 2023.

We are very grateful for your participation in the Charitable Donation Scheme which contributes a significant amount to the Parish finances each year. Parishioners contributing either by the identified envelopes or by an identifiable online contribution can increase the value of their contribution by 45%, provided they have given their consent by completing a certificate. If anyone wishes to join the scheme, please contact any of the Committee members listed below.

Thank you again for your support to the Parish, both to the finances and also in the non-financial support provided by many of you who do a range of jobs from collecting, counting, church cleaning and many other jobs that are kindly done on a voluntary basis.

Maura Conneely , Chairperson– November 2025

Finance Committee:

Maura Conneely (Chairperson), Fr Liam Morgan, Fr Michael Flattery,
Art Shirran, Cathal O'Boyle, John Quinn, Marie Casey.

Ballycane Choir Concert

TODAY!! Sunday 23rd November,

6.30pm - 8pm, Ballycane Church
Free Admission.

Sallins Lourdes Fundraiser:

will be selling raffle tickets outside Supervalu on 28th/29th Nov and in the Church porch on Sun 30th Nov/7th Dec. The Raffle draw is on Sun. 7th Dec after 11.30am Mass, in the Parish Community Centre. For more info, contact: Rita Fanning on 087 6535112.

Fundraising Clothing Collection at Naas CBS, in support of **TY Students Conservation work in Kenya.** Bagged good quality items for re-use (clothes, shoes towels, handbags etc.) can be dropped to the School office **Friday 28th Nov. up to 1pm.** For full details please see poster on the parish website: www.naasparish.ie



First Saturday Conference Knock December 6th:

Bus departs Naas 6.30am, then Newbridge, Kildare and Monasterevin, arrive at Knock 10am, returning 5pm. To book: please text 0872467594 or email deirdregleeson@medwise.ie. €30 if paid in advance, €35 on the day.

Annual Toy Appeal: Naas Ball with NaasPoint & the Moat Theatre are looking for donations of: New Toys, Clothes or Vouchers to help bring the magic of Christmas to a child in need.



Donations can be dropped off at The Moat Theatre, times: Tues - Fri, 10am – 3pm

HUGG (supporting adults bereaved by suicide): Next walk is from Sandymount Strand to Poolbeg Lighthouse, Dublin, 30th Nov. at 10.30am. To register call Helena 0834335701.

Operation Smile: Carols by Candlelight 9th Dec. in St. Therese Church, Mount Merrion. See Parish website for full poster and information: www.naasparish.ie

Santa arrives in Caragh Community Centre from 12.30–4pm on Sun. 7th Dec. Tickets only €5 per child.

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS

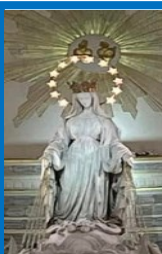
Naas: Development Fund: €3,555 Offertory: €2,910
Online donations (13th - 19th Nov): €403
Tap&Go (13th - 19th Nov): €860
Sallins: Envelopes: €410 Baskets: €525
TMH: €560

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



Mary O'Reilly, Monread Meadows
Eamonn Cumiskey, Railway Cottages, Sallins

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



Thursday 27th November: to mark the second apparition of the Blessed Virgin to St. Catherine Labouré in Paris, there will be Rosary prayed at the grotto at 8pm. All are welcome.

Tuesdays in Advent...

Tuesday mornings starting on Tuesday 25th November, after the 10am Mass, join Fr. Michael for Scripture Sharing in the Upper room. Everyone is welcome.

Tuesday evenings... Let's Dive Into the Bible continues in Ballycane Church 7.15pm - 8.15pm. This Tuesday, the theme is **'Prophetic Literature'**



Divine Mercy Prayers
6.00pm Adoration Chapel, Ballycane
Weds. 26th Nov. followed by the Rosary.
All are Welcome

Recent Baptisms



Casey De Burca, Gleann na Riogh
Olivia Neylon, Woodlands
Séamus Toner, Craddockstown Ct.
Manuel Pabalan, Rathvoy Park

SVP Volunteers urgently required for furniture shop
Contact Amanda 045 866111



Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw

There was no winner of the €4,900 Jackpot on 19th Nov.

Numbers Drawn were: 8-5-7-27

Lucky Dip winners were: 'The 6 of us', Anon. C. Lynch, M. Mitchell
You could win the Jackpot of

€5,150 on Weds. 26th November.

Thank you for your continued support.

