

Parish Newsletter

11th January 2026

The Baptism of the Lord

No: 2027



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New Year New Beginnings

Dates for your Diary:

Sunday 25th January. Sunday of the Word of God

'He opened their minds to understand the scriptures', this is how Pope Francis began his letter, *Aperuit illis*, (meaning 'He opened to them') issued on the 30th September 2019. Pope Francis wished to emphasise the importance of God's Word in our lives: Reading, Reflecting and Understanding. As psalm 119 reminds us: "His word is a lamp for my feet". The Word of God that guides our journey through life.

On Sunday 25th January, **All Readers** in our three parishes (Ministers of God's Word) are invited to attend the Mass of their own choice. During the Mass, they will be invited to stand before the Sanctuary and receive a blessing, renewing their commitment to this important ministry as a Minister of the Word.

Secondly, **ALL Parishioners** are invited to bring their family Bible to Mass, and during the Mass, ALL Bibles will be blessed.

Sunday 1st February. Feast of St Brigid

Abbess, Secondary Patron of Ireland and Patron Saint of our Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin.

Monday 2nd February. Presentation of the Lord.

We continue the tradition of having Blessed Candles in our homes. Seeking the light of Christ, dispelling the darkness of sin. They symbolise the hope and triumph of light over darkness.

If you would like to have **candles blessed**, please place your candles in the basket provided near the Altar with your name clearly written and sellotaped onto the candles. They will be blessed during the 10am Mass on Monday the 2nd of February in the Parish Church.

(Please note that as Monday 2nd February is a Bank Holiday there will only be the 10am Mass on that day.)

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

NAAS PARISH OFFICE: Tel.: 045 879 730

E-mail: office@naasparish.net

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 5pm

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

FACEBOOK: facebook.com/naasparish

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PRIEST ON DUTY: 085 708 8407

PARISH WEBSITE: www.naasparish.ie

Registered Charity No: 20015848

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

THE PARISH TEAM

Fr. Liam Morgan	Sallins Road	087 133 7879
Fr. Michael Flattery	Hazelmere	045 879 730
Fr. Robert Petrisor	Sallins Road	045 879 730
Fr. Yohan Fernando	Lakelands	045 879730
Dn. Jody Callan	Parish Deacon	045 879730
Ms. Trish O'Neill	Youth/Pastoral Minister	045 879 730
Ms. Sarah Farmer	Parish Manager	045 879 730

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS

Naas: Development Fund: €4,275 Offertory: €2,880

Online donations (1st - 7th Jan): €306

Tap&Go (1st - 7th Jan): €980

Sallins: Envelopes: €260 Baskets: €450

TMH: €740



Ceremony of Light for Confirmation

Candidates will take place next week in the four Churches (Tues. /Wed. /Thurs.) for more details please see timetable on Parish Website www.naasparish.ie *Please note there will be no Mass in Ballycane Church on Wednesday 14th January because of this.

Recent Baptisms

Florence Ferraz Fleming, Oldtown Demesne

Ava Gleeson, Eustace Demesne

Ella Doyle, Longstone

Ivy May Shirley, Millbridge Avenue

Nainsí Ní Shuilleabháin, Stonehaven

Alannah Gorman, Sallins

Aria Pleskach, Johnstown

Orla Parish, London

Aoife Flaherty, Oldbridge Station



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: Tues: 10am

Fri: 10am

Sat Vigil: 7pm

SUNDAYS: 11.30am

CHURCH OF ST PETER, TWO MILE HOUSE

WEEKDAYS: 9.30am

SUNDAYS: 10am

CHURCH OF ST BRIGID, KILL

WEEKDAYS: Mon. - Fri.: 10am

6.30pm

SATURDAYS: 11am

CHURCH OF ST ANNE, ARDCLOUGH

SUNDAYS: 9.30am

FIRST FRIDAYS: 8pm

Later this month we will begin the **Faith Friends** Programme for Confirmation. Registration is now open on the parish website.

Please make sure that your child is registered if they would like to take part in this programme.



New Roof for Sallins Church

Work will commence shortly on the much-needed replacement roof for Sallins Church.

It is not expected that this will cause any disruption to the Mass schedule.

Thank you.



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

 Kathleen Brock, Oldtown Demesne

Julia Dalton, Clane Road, Sallins

Leo Reddy, Sallins Park

Mary Higgins, Sarto Park

Andrew Brosnan, Sherlockstown

Gerry Walsh, Ashgrove Park

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

More dates for your Diary...

Tuesday 3rd February.

Memorial of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr.

On that day you are invited to have **your throat blessed** during the 7.30am and 10am Masses in Our Lady and St. David's Church and during the 10am Mass in Sallins. (Two Mile House will be advised closer to the date).

Wednesday 11th February.

'World Day of the Sick' and Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes.

You are invited to attend a **Mass of Healing with Anointing** in Sallins Parish Church at 7pm in the evening. Refreshments afterwards - hosted by Sallins Parish Pastoral Council and supported by our Pastoral Area (Naas, Two Mile House and Kill).

Please note: There is no Wednesday evening Mass in Ballycane Church that evening (11th February).

Saturday 14th February.

St. Valentine's Day.

If you are celebrating a **significant Wedding Anniversary**: 20/25/30/40/50/60 years or more! of marriage, you are invited to attend either the **6pm Mass in Our Lady and St. David's Church or the 7pm Mass in Sallins Church**. Please leave your names into the Parish Office so that we can acknowledge your presence.

Or, if you are a couple **engaged** to be married, or, maybe you have recently got **married**, you are also invited to attend one of the Masses above, again, you are welcome to drop your names into the Parish Office in advance.

A short prayer and blessing will take place during both Masses highlighted above.

We hope that you can participate in some or all of the spiritual activities named above.

You would be most welcome.

Thank you very much to everyone who participated in the Raffle which took place in the Parish Office during December. Particular thanks as always to our generous parishioner, Marie and resident artist, Josephine Hardiman, for providing the prizes. A grand total of €817 was raised to help the flood victims in Sri Lanka. The three lucky winners were: Eithne Ni Fhlathartaigh, Jane Cullen and Anne Bugler.



Message from Fr. Yohan:

Dear friends, I would like to thank you for helping me to help Sri Lankan Flood victims. I have received €817.00... this money will be utilized to teach children English and to buy their stationery and other necessary needs and I am going to help a family whose house got damaged. I believe that this will be very helpful. Once again I thank you all for your generous contribution. May God bless you, Fr. Yohan Fernando.

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGES

NAAS, SALLINS, TWO MILE HOUSE PARISHES PILGRIMAGE

DIRECT FLIGHTS TO MOSTAR-MEDJUGORJE

Dublin to Medjugorje in Half the Time

10th - 17th June 2026
€845

Price increases to €895 after 30th January 2026

7 Night Pilgrimage with John & Catherine Murphy

Accompanied by Spiritual Director

Gain from 40 years of experience and support both in Ireland and in Medjugorje

Air-conditioned accommodation near to St. James' Church

Professional assistance from start to finish

Contact: John & Catherine Murphy 086 856 3773



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NAAS PARISH CHURCH BICENTENARY 1827-2027

MICHAEL ENGLISH

AN EVENING OF FAITH, HOPE & INSPIRATION



A perfect evening!

Friday 6th March 2026 at 8.00pm
Church of Our Lady and St. David, Naas
CONCERT STARTS AT 8PM SHARP

Ticket Price: €30
Tickets are on sale now from the Parish Offices, Barker & Jones and Richie Whelans Menswear

New Year, New Voice?

Join us on 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at NAAS TOASTMASTERS 7:45pm (Guests and new members welcome). The Luisne Centre, Sallins Rd, Naas W91 D62E For more info., see 3669.toastmastersclubs.org



Lost Bracelet (Silver & Gold), lost beginning of December. If found please contact 086 064 8054 / 045 876013.

Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw

There was no winner of the €6,150 Jackpot on 7th January.

Numbers Drawn were: 16-17-22-25

Lucky Dip winners were: Anon., V. McGarr, T. Hogan, T. Foxe

You could win the Jackpot of €6,400 on Weds. 14th January.

Thank you for your support.

