

Parish Newsletter

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
11th February 2018.



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Lent.....

Is what You do.!

No Sooner is Christmas over and we find ourselves on the cusp of Celebrating yet another Lenten Season. While television promotes 'Operation Transformation' the Church invites us to consider a call to 'Spiritual Transformation'. Lent is always a lovely opportunity to make a renewed effort to make time for self and time for God.

Regardless of whether or not someone is still 'practicing' their faith, people seem to get on board with Lent. We either give something up or we take something on. So enjoy Lent, embrace it, how we make use of this time determines how fulfilling it will be. Perhaps the following might be a reminder or a help in making a good Lenten journey.

- ◆ **Ash Wednesday** (14th February) a day of Fast and Abstinence with distribution of Blessed Ashes at the 7.30am and 10am Mass in OLSD: 9.15am in Two Mile House: 10am in Sallins and 7.30pm in Ballycane.
- ◆ **Mass each evening at 7.30pm, Monday to Friday in the Church of Irish Martyr's, Ballycane.**
- ◆ The Trócaire Box: An invitation to place the '**Trócaire Box**' in each and every home.
- ◆ To participate in **Scripture Sharing** with Fr. Michael in the Parochial House, beginning on Monday 26th February at 8pm. (Bring a Bible).
- ◆ **Reflecting on the Sunday Gospel** with Sr. Peggy taking place in the Parochial House beginning on Tuesday coming 13th February, after the 10am Mass.
- ◆ **Stations of the Cross each Friday** of Lent at 3.30pm in Our Lady and St David's Church led by the Legion of Mary. All welcome to join us.
- ◆ **Mass by Candle Light** each Friday evening at 7.30pm in Church of the Irish Martyr's, Ballycane, followed by a half hour of Adoration.



So please feel welcome to join in any of the above Lenten Activities. '*Lent is what you do!*'

St. Valentines Day Celebrations: We extend an Invitation to all Engaged Couples planning to get married in the coming year, those who were recently married and Couples celebrating a significant Wedding Anniversary 1st, 10th, 25th or 50th or any year above 50 to join us on Tuesday coming 13th February at 7.30pm in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. The Ceremony will be composed of Music, Prayer of Blessing and Lighting of Candles. Please contact the Parish Office no later than Monday at 5pm, on 045 879730 or email office@naasparish.net with your details, if you would like to take part in this Ceremony. *All welcome.*



PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

PRIEST ON DUTY: 085 708 8407

PARISH WEBSITE: www.naasparish.ie

NAAS & SALLINS PARISH OFFICE Tel 879730

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 5pm

Naas eMail office@naasparish.net

Sallins eMail sallinsparishoffice@gmail.com

SACRISTY OUR LADY AND ST DAVID: Tel 856925

BALLYCANE OFFICE AND SACRISTY : Tel 895629

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 1pm

PARISH TEAM

FR. LIAM MORGAN Sallins Road **087 133 7879**

FR. JOE O'NEILL Sunday's Well **045 876197**

FR. MICHAEL FLATTERY Sallins Road **045 897703**

FR. ALEX KOCHATT Lakelands **045 898684**

DN. FERGAL O'NEILL Parish Deacon **086 3816 133**

MS. HILDA CAMPBELL Pastoral Admin Ass. **089 4037570**

New Safeguarding Policy recently updated is now displayed in all our Church Porches.

FEAST AND MEMORIAL DAYS FOR COMING WEEK:

Wednesday 14th: Ash Wednesday

Day of Fast and Abstinence:

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

Naas:

Peter Traynor, Monread Court

John (Seán) Cassidy, St. Martins Avenue

May they rest in Peace.



RECENT BAPTISMS

Naas:

Seth Christopher Doherty, Geann na Riogh Way.

Cillian Rhys Dempsey, College Orchard.

Sallins:

Megan Elizabeth Nugent, Sallins Park.

Daniel Peter Nugent, Sallins Park.

Shona Lilly Mahon Conroy, Osberstown Park.

Liam Edward Nugent, Wexford.

For those requesting the Sacrament of Baptism two weeks notice is required. Further details of Baptisms in Naas, Sallins and Two Mile House Parish at www.naasparish.ie/sacraments/baptism.



MASS TIMES

CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND ST. DAVID , SALLINS ROAD

WEEKDAYS: Mon-Fri 7:30am 10am Sat 10am

SUNDAYS: Sat Vigil 6pm Sun 9am 11am and 6pm

CHURCH OF THE IRISH MARTYRS, BALLYCANE

WEEKDAYS: Mon, Wed and Fri 7:30pm

SUNDAYS: Sat Vigil 7:30pm Sun 10:30am 12noon

CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND GUARDIAN ANGELS, SALLINS

WEEKDAYS: Tues and FRI 10am

SUNDAYS: Sat Vigil 6:30pm Sun 10am 12noon

CHURCH OF ST. PETER, TWO MILE HOUSE

WEEKDAYS: Friday 7pm

SUNDAYS: 11am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND ST. DAVID , SALLINS ROAD

Every First Friday before and after the 10am Mass

Every Saturday after the 10am Mass

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

Naas: Andrew Fagan, Geraldine Faherty and Adrian King.

Sallins: Keith Murphy

Two Mile House: Mary Valentine, Paula Clancy and Suzanne Powell.

They can be contacted through the Parish Office, Sallins Road, Naas. Phone 045 879730

NAAS PARISH NEWS

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT - 'The Catholic Parish of Naas, in Communion with Christ and with one another and guided by the teaching of the Second Vatican Council, endeavours to welcome, serve and nourish the whole community.'

Novena in Honour of the Holy Face; continues tomorrow Monday 12th, taking place before the 7.30am and 10am Masses in OLSD Church and concludes on Tuesday 13th February (Shrove Tuesday), which is the Feast Day of the Holy Face.

St Joseph's Young Priests Society next meeting takes place tomorrow, Monday 12th February at 8pm in the Parish Centre at the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. Adoration from 8pm to 9.30pm.

Coffee Morning on Wednesday coming 14th February after the 10am Mass in the Parochial House....*come and join us for a cuppa and a chat.*

Mothers Prayers continue each Wednesday at the Church of the Irish Martyr's, Ballycane, at 8.15pm.

Booking Anniversary Masses; In order to make sure names are included for Anniversary Masses we kindly ask that people would contact the Parish Office, Sallins Road or the Ballycane Office at their earliest convenience (at least a week in advance).

Coeliac Hosts We would like to remind you that low gluten hosts are available for distribution at every Mass in all Churches. If you need to receive a low gluten host, come forward to the sanctuary at Communion time.

Live Streaming of Services Please note that all services in the Church of Our Lady and St. David covering the Sanctuary area. The purpose of the webcam is to broadcast Mass, Weddings, Funerals, other Ceremonies on the internet for parishioners confined to bed or living away from home.

Naas Toastmasters next meeting on Wednesday 14th February at 8pm in The Town House Hotel, Newbridge Road. Guests and new members always welcome. naastostmasters.com.

The Naas Easter Parade will be taking place on Easter Sunday, 1st April. If you are interested in participating in this year's Parade, or if you have any questions or require any further information contact Deborah Callaghan at 086 8394919 or emailnaaseasterparade@gmail.com

SALLINS PARISH NEWS

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Tuesday coming, 13th February from 10.30am -11am.

Mass at 10am on Ash Wednesday 14th February.

Confessions available in Sallins Church every Thursday afternoon from 2pm-4pm.

Moira's Retirement: To mark the retirement of Moira Humphreys, Bishop Denis Nulty will celebrate the 6.30pm Mass on Saturday 17th of February in Sallins Church. After the Mass you are invited to join us for a cup of tea/coffee in the Community Centre where we will make a presentation to Moira.
All are welcome to join us.

Date for you Diary...Sallins Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place on 23rd June for 7 Nights, Full Board staying at the 'Jeanne d'Arc Hotel'. More details to follow later. For bookings phone Rita Fanning on 087 6535112 or 086 0834807.

Sallins Conference of St Vincent de Paul contact phone number is 085 7052294.

Vincent de Paul Shop at the Waterways are urgently looking for donations of clothes, bric a brac, curtains, bed linen and small pieces of furniture. Just drop items into the shop at no 3 the Waterways

TWO MILE HOUSE NEWS

Weekday Morning Mass is celebrated from Monday to Thursday at 9.15am. Friday evening Mass as usual at 7pm.

GENERAL NOTICES

Parish Finances

Sallins: Baskets: €765 Envelopes: €390

Naas: Offertory: €3,100 Development Fund: €3,355

Two Mile House: €605

Sports Lottery Results

Naas 1/2 (5-8-15-19) No Winner Jackpot €7,45

Sallins 5/2 (4-20-32) No Winner Jackpot €4,150

Trócaire Lenten Campaign 2018 highlights the injustice faced by many in the developing world who have to cope with drought and increasing temperatures because of climate change. **Trócaire Boxes are now available in the Church Porches or from the Parish Offices. Please take one for your home or workplace. In donating to Trócaire you're not just giving, you're joining the fight for justice.**

Trócaire Romero Family Award. This award is for families who would like to begin their spiritual preparation for the World Meeting of Families in August 2018. It aims to provide you and your family with an avenue to learn about the lives of other families around the world where Trócaire works. Log on and register your family for the Trócaire Romero award at www.trocaire.org/romeroaward

Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje takes place from



Thursday 31st May for seven nights. Cost €649 pps. €100 deposit paid before Wednesday coming 14th February secures a €50 discount. To book phone John at 086 856 3773 or directly to Marian Pilgrimages at 01 8788159. Spiritual Director Fr. Joe O'Neill.

Volunteers Needed. Have you 4 hours per week to Volunteer and become part of a vibrant Community? McAuley Place welcomes new volunteers. At present we require Charity Shop Volunteers, some lifting and moving of furniture required. Also, night reception volunteers. If interested please contact Catherine O'Sullivan, Volunteer Co-Ordinator on 045 897833 or e-mail catherine@mcauleyplace.ie

Alcoholics Anonymous. A A meetings are now held in the Prefab at St David's Church on Main Street, Naas: Monday & Thursday nights at 8.30pm; Tuesdays at 1pm; Saturdays at 7.30pm. For further details phone 085 7300357. Alcoholics Anonymous.



Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw.

You Could Win €10,000

on Wednesday coming, 14th February in the
Parish Lotto Draw

The Draw takes place at 7pm at the Church of the
Irish Martyr's, Ballycane, all are welcome to attend the draw.

Simply Buy A €2 Ticket And It Could Be You.

There was no winner of the Jackpot on Wednesday 7th February.

Numbers Drawn were 27—5— 18—24: Four Lucky dip winners of €100 each:

Josephine Murphy, David Higgins, Brian Flanagan and David Flynn.

Tickets can be purchased from:- Menswear, Nolans Butchers, Barker & Jones, Liz Bergin Hair Salon, Veritas Stationery Store, The Soda Bread Shop, Gouldings Hardware, Swans on the Green.

Tickets are available from the Parish Office on the Sallins Rd, or in The Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane .

If you're not in you can't win!!



Parish Bingo continues every Tuesday night at 8.30pm sharp, in the Care of the Aged Centre, Newbridge Road, with Bigger Prizes and Jackpot. Parish Lotto Tickets on Sale at Bingo.

Kildare and Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, led by most Reverend Denis Nulty.



The Pilgrimage takes place on 16th July for 5 nights at a cost of €739 per person sharing, staying at the 'Hotel Solitude'. The Pilgrimage is being organised in conjunction with Joe

Walsh Tours. Booking Forms are now available from the Parish Office, Sallins Road.

The World Meeting of Families comes to Ireland.



Individual pilgrims and families can now register for the main 3 day WMOF2018 Congress from

August 22nd to 24th, guaranteeing your ticket(s) for the Festival of Families on Saturday 25th August and for the Closing Mass on Sunday 26th. Don't miss out on these once in a generation events. Register Now! www.worldmeeting2018.ie

JOBSEEKERS: Your Local Employment Service offers a free service to job seekers who are unemployed and in receipt of a social welfare payment, one parent family payment, early school leavers, people finishing a CE scheme, people returning to the workforce and dependent spouses. Training courses and employment initiatives are available. One to one Adult Career Guidance, interview skills and CV preparation. Contact the Naas Office on 045 895555.

Dunshane Camphill Community' Fundraising

Concert in the Moat Theatre on Friday 23rd February at 8pm, with Paddy Casey headlining and special support from Saoirse Casey, Gar Tiernan and the Kilcullen Gospel Choir. 'Dunshane' is now in the process of trying to build a Literacy and Learning Room. This room will be used to promote increased literacy skills so that residents have better opportunities to seek employment, have more access to educational materials and to engage in new technologies. The concert is to raise vital funds for this special project. If you cannot attend on the night, a donation towards our goal is greatly appreciated. Each and every donation received helps us to build a brighter future for the people we support. Tickets on sale from the Moat at 883030 or Camphill Community at 045 483 628.

Did you know that you can read the current parish newsletter as well as back issues online! go on to www.naasparish.ie Newsletter: You can log on to www.naasparish.ie click on "current parish newsletter" or "parish newsletter past issues" for past or current issues

Thought for the week:



"There is nothing on this earth more to be prized than true friendship."

~ Thomas Aquinas

***Happy Valentine's Day,
my friend!***