



## Mass Times: 1st Sunday of Advent(Year A) Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44

<u>Church</u>	<u>Weekdays</u>		<u>Sundays</u>
Our Lady and St David, Naas	Mon - Fri 7.30am, 10am	Saturday 10am.	Saturday Vigil: 6pm Sunday 8.30am, 10am, 12noon, 6pm.
Irish Martyrs, Ballycane, Naas	Mon - Fri 7.30pm	Saturday 11am	Saturday Vigil: 7.30pm Sunday 11am, 12.15pm
Our Lady & Guardian Angels, Sallins	Tues - Fri 10am.		Saturday Vigil: 6.30pm; Sunday 10am, 12noon
St Peter's Two Mile House	Friday 7pm		Sunday 11am

### The Advent Journey...

"The joy of the Gospel fills the hearts and lives of all who encounter Jesus." Thus begins the Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium*, by which Pope Francis develops the theme of the proclamation of the Gospel in the contemporary world.

The Pope invites the reader to recover the original freshness of the Gospel, finding new avenues and new paths of creativity, without enclosing Jesus in dull categories. There is a need for a pastoral and missionary conversion, which cannot leave things as they presently are and a renewal of church structures to enable them to become more mission-oriented.

A sign of God's openness is that our church doors should always be open so that those who seek God will not find a closed door; nor should the doors of the sacraments be closed for simply any reason. The Eucharist is not a prize for the perfect but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak. These convictions have pastoral consequences that we are called to consider with prudence and boldness. He repeats that he prefers a Church which is bruised, hurting and dirty because it has been out on the streets, rather than a Church concerned with being at the centre and then ends by being caught up in a web of obsessions and procedures.

If something should rightly disturb us it is the fact that many of our brothers and sisters are living without the friendship of Jesus Christ.

# Our Lady and St. David's;

Last Sunday we enjoyed a beautiful opening ceremony and we express our deep gratitude to all involved. Many of you may be aware that the heating system let us down at the last minute! Every effort is being made to sort this problem out, unfortunately it is complex.

Our Sunday Masses (including Saturday Vigil Mass) will take place in Our Lady and St. David's at the normal times this weekend. We will have temporary heating measures in place. The weekday Masses next week will continue as follows: 7.30am in the former Nun's Chapel, and the 10am in Ballycane. We will keep you informed of progress on the heating system.

Sincere apologies for the inconvenience caused and we appreciate your patience and understanding with regard to this issue!

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PARISH OFFICE, NAAS AND SALLINS

(Sallins Road): Ph 879730; Fax 894287

Opening Hours: Mon-Fri 10am-5pm

**BALLYCANE OFFICE: Ph 895629** 

Opening Hours: Mon-Fri 10am-1pm

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THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY WELCOMES

YOU WITH GREAT JOY!

Diocesan Website: www.kandle.ie

<u>Confessions</u>: Every Saturday after the 10am Mass in the Church of Our Lady and St David, Sallins Road. Every Saturday after the 11am Mass in the Church of Irish Martyrs, Ballycane.

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN; PARISH DESIGNATED PERSONS:

Caroline Quinn (Naas); Sheila Pyke (Sallins) Anita Comer Julian (Two-Mile-House). They can be contacted through the Parish Office, Sallins Road, Naas. Ph 045 879730.

"THOSE WHO DIE IN GRACE GO BUT TO GOD

AND GOD IS VERY NEAR"

**SALLINS:** 

Ned Hannon, Clane Road

Two Mile House:

Mary (Molly) Joyce, Craddock House

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

### <u>Naas</u>: Mark

Mark Oisin Daly, Alderwood Court Jacek Stanislaw Baranowski, Oakglade Poppy Rose Kelly, Calverstown Jack Brian Cleary Balfe, Clonard Sonia Paula Korus, Newbridge Callan Philip Fitzgerald, Aylmer Park

Lee David Houlihan, Radharc an Chailsain

Two Mile House:

Lauren Elizabeth Marie Kelly, Newbridge

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** 

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

### **Parish Finances:**

**Sallins:** Baskets: € 762: Envelopes: € 45

Naas: Offertory: €4,465

**Development Fund:** €5,433

Two Mile House: € 470

Ballycane 12.15pm Mass Need Singers: A small group of Singers/Musicians provide beautiful music at the 12.15pm in Ballycane on two Sundays each month. We would welcome new singers. Practices are arranged to suit members. If interested please give your name to the group or Text 087 235 2545.

Parish Church Choir will sing at the midnight and 11.15am Mass on Christmas Day. Next practice Tuesday 3rd December at 8pm in Ballycane Church. If you would like to join with us you are very welcome. Just come along on Tuesday or contact 087 235 2545.

### **GAA Lotto:**

Sallins: 25/11 Jackpot €1,150 Numbers 4-7-12; No winner; Venue 2/12 Railway Inn ; Jackpot €1,300

<u>Naas</u>: 21/11 Jackpot €2,200: Numbers 8-13-21-24; No

winner: **Jackpot 28/11 €2,350** 

Splotto/Ballycane Celtic: 24/11; Numbers 16-19-20-28; No winner Jackpot 1/12 €5,000

Naas United FC: No result available

### Feast & Memorial Days for the coming week:

Tuesday 3rd: St Francis Xavier, priest

Friday 6th: St Nicholas, bishop

Saturday 7th: St Ambrose, bishop and doctor



# **Sallins Parish News**

Eucharistic Devotion continues on Tuesday between 10.30am and 11.30am.

Annual Sallins Senior Citizens Christmas Dinner and Party takes place today, Sunday 1st December in Killeen Golf Club. Dinner will be served at 2pm sharp. Bus leaving from outside 'The Gala Shop' at 1.30pm. Sallins Conference of St Vincent de Paul contact phone number is 085 7052294.

# **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."

The Advent Station Collection in support of the Priests of the Parish will take place at all Masses this weekend.

Afternoon Reflection today, Sunday 1st December at 2.30pm in Ballycane Church. Including Holy Hour, Rosary, Anointing of the Sick and Holy Mass. Conducted by Fr PJ Madden. All welcome. Refreshments during break.

A New Faith Development Course facilitated by Fr. PJ Madden and Deacon Fergal O'Neill entitled 'New Life in Christ' will be held in Ballycane Church tomorrow, Monday December 2nd at 8.15pm. It will run initially for three weeks leading up to Christmas. All are welcome. The planned sessions are as follows:

Dec 2nd: Jesus - True God and True Man: Dec 9th: The Church - Instrument of Grace Dec 16th: Life of Virtue - Living the Sacrament There will be further sessions after Christmas. For info see Church Posters or contact Deacon O'Neill on 0863816133.

**Advent Preparation for Christmas:** 

You are invited to pray and study the Advent Sunday Readings each Tuesday, continuing on Tuesday coming, 3rd December in the meeting rooms at Ballycane Church after the 10am Mass. Sr P

Church after the 10am Mass. Sr Peggy Cleary will lead the sessions. All are most welcome.

#### FIRST FRIDAY 6th December

#### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church of the Irish Martyrs after 10am Mass until 7pm.

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

**Church of the Irish Martyrs:** 

Thursday after 10am Mass; Friday 9.30am-10am and after 10am Mass.

There will be  $\underline{\mathbf{No}}$  Penitential Service incorporated into the 7.30pm Mass.

#### Communion to the Housebound

Fr John, Fr Paul, Fr PJ., Fr Bogdan and Fr Lennon will visit the housebound as usual.

<u>Marian Movement Cenacle</u> meets every month in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane at 10.20am The next meeting is on Saturday coming, 7th December. All welcome.

<u>JTGT (Journey Through Grief Together)</u> <u>Support Group</u> - For People Affected by Bereavement / Separation next meeting on Tuesday coming 3rd December in the Parish Meeting Room behind Veritas Shop, Sallins Road from 7.30pm-9.30pm. For more information please do not hesitate to come along or contact 086 – 0656950 "You are not alone"

 $\underline{\textbf{St}} \ \underline{\textbf{Corbans}} \ \underline{\textbf{Boys}} \ \underline{\textbf{NS}} \ \text{would like to thank everyone who gave so generously to their recent annual Flag Day.}$ 

Lost: Digital Camera lost on Sunday afternoon last on Sallins Rd/Dublin Rd area. Phone 087 235 2545

### Naas Parish Lotto:

The first Draw in the new Parish Lotto took place last Sunday evening. The numbers drawn were 18-21-9-25. There was no outright winner of the Jackpot so this week's prize will be €1,250.

The Parish would like to sincerely thank the organising committee and those promoters who worked so hard to sell tickets in these very difficult economic times. Let us hope that this success will continue into the future.

There are many areas in the town where we still need promoters and if you think you could even sell a couple of tickets on a weekly basis to your friends, family or neighbours, please contact the Parish Offices Sallins Road, or in The Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane or phone 086 1635994.

Please note that as from January 2014, the night of the Lotto Draw will move from Sunday evening to Wednesday evenings at 8pm. Please see dates below for the next 5 draws. All draws will take place in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane.

Sunday: 1st December at 7pm; Draw Office in Ballycane will be open from 3pm.

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Sth January at 8pm.

The Draw Office in Ballycane will be open for the Wednesday Night Draws as follows: Tuesday night from 7.30pm—9.30pm and from 6.30pm on the Wednesday evening.

<u>Night Vigil in Knock will take place</u> on Saturday, 7th of December. Bus leaving from Naas. For bookings phone Fosters at 045-525432.

<u>St Vincent de Paul's Annual Church Collection</u> takes place in Naas and Two Mile House this weekend 7th/8th December. Your generous support will be greatly appreciated. Donations may also be sent to S.V.P., P.O. Box 1, Naas. Many thanks for your continued support over the years. <u>Praver Service</u> for the safe return of Trevor Deely on Friday 6th Dec at 8pm in Ballycane Church.

# Two Mile House Parish News

<u>Christmas Cards</u>: It's that time of year again when we send cards to loved ones. The charity "Almas" will have their Christmas Cards for sale today (1st December) after Mass. Your support is greatly appreciated.

<u>New Parish Council</u>; The first meeting of the Council will take place in the school on Tuesday, 3rd December at 8pm. The New Council members are; Eileen Broe, Pauline Choiseul, Maurice Colbert, Kate Coyle, Patricia Daly, Fr. Paul Dempsey, Shaun Durkin, Ger Gallagher, Bill Gibson, Maeve Jacob, Joan Kehoe, Michael Kilduff, Joan O'Reilly, Pat O'Toole, Art Shirran and Mary Valentine. We wish the Council every good wish.

**G.A.A.**; Our senior team are in the Leinster final this afternoon (Sunday) in Newbridge at 2pm. All support appreciated. Best of luck lads!!!

# **General Notices**

Missing Person's Day on Wednesday coming 4th December. Spare a thought for all missing people and their families, by saying a prayer or by lighting a condle on the day. If you have any information on a Missing Person, please contact the /gardai or the Missing Person Helpline on 1890 442 552 or info@missingpersons.ie

Nas na Ri Singers present A Christmas Gathering on Sunday 8th December at 8pm in Caragh Church.....supporting HOPE(D). Tickets from Barker & Jones, Naas or Caragh Parish Office or Choir at 087 2901978.

## **Baldonnell Singers**

will hold a evening concert in Our Lady and St. David's on Saturday the 14th December, in aid of Our Lady & St. David's Church Restoration Fund.

All support welcome!
Tickets from the Parish Office
Sallins Rd and Ballycane Office;
Barker & Jones, Veritas and JAM Music



Lost: Large sum of Money on Sallins Rd; Ph 0879080922