

Mass Times: Eight Sunday In Ordinary Time: (Year A) Gpospel: Matthew 6: 24-34

Church	<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 Meaning of Lent

The English word 'Lent' comes from the Anglo-Saxon word Lencten, meaning 'Spring'. In other languages the word comes from the Latin, Quadragesima – a period of 40 days. In the Christian tradition the forty days is understood to refer to a time of intense prayer and preparation; we remember the biblical stories of Noah and the flood of 40 days, the Israelites 40 days wandering in the wilderness and Christ's forty day fast in the desert in preparation for his earthly ministry.

Things to know about Lent

- Lent exists for the sake of Easter! It is the forty day period of preparation for the Church's celebration of Easter.
- Lent begins on Ash Wednesday (this year, March 5) and ends before Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday (this year, April 17).
- Lent has six Sundays (Palm Sunday being the sixth Sunday.)
- There is a double focus in Lent **Baptism and Penance**. It is the final stage of preparation for adults who will be baptised at the Easter Vigil. For those already baptised it is a time to recall their baptism and prepare to renew it at Easter.
- Lent calls us to a time of self-reflection, turning back to God and penance as we ready ourselves to renew our baptism.
- It is a time to reflect on God's word to us in our lives today, to **pray**, **fast** and reach out to others in **charitable action**.
- Lent is a season we celebrate individually but also as a Christian community, as a Church. We can look at Lent as a communal journey of the Christian community back to God...our **annual retreat** culminating in the joy of Easter.



Thought for the Week...

"Let us never lose hope! God loves us always, even with our mistakes and sins." Pope Francis

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PARISH OFFICE, NAAS AND SALLINS

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Priest on Duty:

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Confessions: 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); Ann Moran (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"



Con Crowley, Lakeside Park.

Dolly Keane, Larchfield Nursing Home

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY WELCOMES YOU WITH GREAT JOY!

Naas:

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Cian Tommy McCarthy, The Paddocks Sara Elizabeth Valentine, Roseville Éimhear Marczewska– Ní Riain, Monread Crst **Emily Catherine Moore, Ashgrove Pk** Oisín Dárcy O'Dea, Olbridge Station Alannah Carrigan, Rathangan



Sacrament of Baptism: For those requesting the Sacrament of Baptism two weeks notice is required. Further details of Baptism in Naas, Sallins & Two Mile House see parish Website: www.naasparish.ie

<u>Holy</u>	<u>Land</u>	<u>Pilgri</u>	<u>mage</u>	From	4th	to	12 th	of
Septem	ber. €1	385 per	person sł	haring,	dep	osit	of €3	00
require	d befor	e Friday	coming	7th N	Marcl	h.	Limit	ed
places l	eft. Pl	none: Ne	wbridge	Travel	at 0-	45 4	4952	2.

Parish Finances:

<u>Sallins</u> :	Baskets: €6	548: En	velopes: €455
<u>Naas</u> :	Offertory:		€ 3,412
	Developmen	t Fund:	€ 3,889
<u>Two Mi</u>	<u>le House</u> :		€ 1,264

Medjugorje 2014

Mothers Pilgrimage departing on Wednesday 14th May for 7 nights, €659 fully inclusive. Accompanied by Spiritual Director, for more details ph: Catherine Murphy at 045 866233 or 086/8563773.

Medjugorje Annual Parish Pilgrimage

Takes place this year from Wednesday 28th May for 7 nights. Spiritual Director: Fr Paul Dempsey. Cost of pilgrimage €659. More details contact John or Catherine Murphy at 086/8563773 or 866233.

The Legion of Mary meetings take place each Thursday at 8pm in Room 2 at Church of the Irish Martyrs Ballycane. Come pray the Rosary. The Joyful, The Mysteries of Light, Sorrowful and Glorious Mysteries or part of. The Legion lead the Rosary each Wednesday from 2pm in the Church of Our Lady and St David, Sallins Rd. New members welcome. Is someone's drinking affecting your life. Al-Anon can. Meetings every Monday night at 8.15pm in Parish Centre, Ballycane.(Tuesday on a Bank Holiday weekend).

Wednesday at 8.30pm in Parish Centre, Newbridge, phone 431394 and Thursday in Arás Bríd, Parish Centre, Kildare, phone 521352.

Sallins Parish News

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday coming, 5th March from 10.30am-11.30am Parish Pastoral Council next meeting on Thursday coming 6th March at 8pm in the Parish House. <u>Sallins St Vincent De Paul</u> helpline phone number 085 7052294

Lourdes 39th Annual Pilgrimage from 18th July for 7 nights, full board, staying at Hotel Jeanne D'Arc with Spiritual Director Fr Jimmy Doyle. Anyone wishing to pay weekly may do so after 12pm Mass on Sundays. For more details contact Rita Fanning at 045/861070 or 087/6535112.

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."

<u>Recruitment</u> of <u>Ministers</u> of the <u>Eucharist</u> The	FIRST FRIDAY 7th March 2014	
Parish is recruiting Ministers of the Eucharist at this time for	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
the Church of Our Lady & St David, Sallins Road and	There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in	
Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. Anyone interested in	the Church of Our Lady and St.David, Sallins Road,	
becoming a Minister of the Eucharist should give details of	after 10am Mass until 4pm.	
their name, address and phone number into the Parish	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
	Church of Our Lady and St David:	
programme of formation will be organised at a later date.	Thursday after10am Mass; Friday 9.30am-10am and	
	after 10am Mass.	
<u>Preparation for Easter:</u> You are invited to pray the	<u>Communion to the Housebound</u>	
Lenten Sunday Readings each Tuesday morning	Fr PJ, Fr Paul, Fr Bogdan will visit the housebound	

Tuesday coming 4th March in the Parish Meeting Rooms, Sallins Road commencing after 10am Mass and will be led by Sr Peggy Cleary. <u>Reflection on the Stations of the Cross</u> will take place each Friday during Lent after the 7.30pm Mass in Ballycane. There will be additional Lenten Reflections, led by the The Youth Group, on Wednesday 19th March and Wednesday 2nd April, More details to follow.

during Lent. The first meetings will take place on as usual.

<u>JTGT</u> (Journey Through Grief Together Support Group) for people affected by Bereavement/Separation next meeting on Tuesday coming 4th March in the Parish Meeting Rooms from 7.30pm-9.30pm. 086/0656950 **Toastmasters** new club next meeting tomorrow Monday 3rd March at 8pm in the Town House Hotel.

<u>St Mary's College</u> annual Transition Year Musical runs from Wednesday coming 5th to Saturday 8th March. This year its *The King and I*. Tickets will be on sale from the school at lunchtimes or on the door on the night. Naas Local History Group Illustrated talk on "The Curragh Mutiny 1914" by Liam Kenny, will take place on Tuesday coming 4th March at 7.45pm in Naas Community Library. Everyone welcome

Naas Active Retirement Assoc members only meeting on Wed 5th March at 2pm in Naas Community Centre. Naas Musical Society will take to the stage with Calamity Jane. Show runs from Saturday 8th to Friday 14th March. Family ticket special on Sunday 9th only, show starting at 7pm. Concessions for OAP's and students on Sunday and Monday nights only. For bookings phone the Moat Theatre Box Office at 883030.

<u>CBS</u> are holding a *Cake Sale* on Sunday 9th March after the 11am and 12.15pm Masses at Ballycane Church.

Baldonnel Singers will perform in St David's Church on Saturday 22nd March at 8pm, with guest Deidre Starr Tickets on sale from Jam Music, Parish Office, Sallins Road or ph: 086 8351195. This is a fund raising event for St David's School, please support.

Two Mile House Parish News

<u>Confirmation</u> The Ceremony of Light will take place tomorrow Monday 3rd of March at 7.30pm in St. Peter's Church. The Confirmations will take place Saturday coming 8th March Killashee School at 10.30am and Two Mile House School at 12.30pm. Wishing every blessing on all the Confirmation candidates and their families.

Ash Wednesday On Wednesday coming 5th March Mass at 9.30am in St. Peter's Church.

PARISH LOTTO

€3,500 is the Jackpot in the Lotto on Wednesday 5th March....Have you got your ticket?.

There was no winner of the Lotto Jackpot on Wednesday 26th February; see results below. Lotto Draws take place every Wednesday evening in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane at <u>7pm</u>. The Draw Office in Ballycane will be open every Tuesday evening from 7pm to 9pm and on Wednesdays from 5pm.

For anybody who might prefer to purchase an Annual Ticket in the Lotto, please complete the form below and return it to the Draw Office. The cost of an Annual Ticket is \notin 90. Annual tickets will be entered in the Lotto Draw every week for one year from date of purchase. On receipt of completed form and cheque an Annual Ticket will be posted to you. You can also join the Lotto by Standing Order of \notin 8 per month. Standing Order Forms can also be posted out. For further information please contact Jo at 086 1635994.

Remember you can join the Parish Lotto at any time, it is only $\in 2$ per week and can be bought from a Promoter, or from the Parish Offices on the Sallins Road or the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane.

NAAS PARISH LOTTO

I wish to purchase an Annual Ticket in Naas Parish Lotto and enclose herewith €90 for same.

Name <u>:</u>		
Address:		
Contact No's:	Mob	
Email:		

PLEASE CHOOSE FOUR NUMBERS BETWEEN 1 AND 28, INCLUSIVE, AND WRITE THEM INTO THE BOXES BELOW. YOUR CHOSEN NUMBERS WILL BE INCLUDED IN ALL WEEKLY DRAWS FOR ONE YEAR.

TWO MILE HOUSE CONTINUED:

Bishop Denis' visit last Sunday was another historic day in the life of our parish with the visit of Bishop Denis Nulty. It was a wonderful day of celebration! Many people put a great deal of work into the day so our thanks go to the Parish Pastoral Council, the Liturgy Group, the Choir, Readers, Ministers, Collectors, Servers, Ushers, Etta and Sabina for making the presentation. Thanks also to Trudy Barrett and Patricia Daly, who decorated the church, the I.C.A., the G.A.A. and members of the All Ireland Winning Team, those who helped with parking, John Gibson for photographs and the Parents, Pupils and Staff of our school. Heartiest thanks also to those involved in the church and village clean up that took place on Saturday morning. The past few weeks have been a special and historic time in the life of Two Mile House Parish. May we continue to nurture that great sense of togetherness as we strive to build up God's kingdom among us. Photographs can be viewed on <u>www.naasparish.ie</u> **Two Mile House I.C.A** meets tomorrow Mon 3rd March at 8.30pm in The Brown Bear. As it is Seachtain na Gaeilge, come prepared to dance and partake in some caint, ceol, craic agus cupán taé. New members welcome.

General Notices

National Pancake Party from 1st to 4th March, in support of The National Children's Hospital. If you would like to host a Pancake Party to raise funds, simply register online at www.pancakeparty.ie or phone 01 4142375. **Lost:** Nokia Mobile phone in the Naas area during the week, if found please contact 086 3547753. **Found:** Set of Car Keys on the canal on 26th February. Contact the Parish Office 045 879730.

Lotto Results:

<u>Naas Parish</u>: 26/2 Jackpot €3,250; Numbers: 1-2-9-28; No winner; Jackpot 5/03 €3,500. The Parish Naas Lotto Draw will now take place at <u>7pm</u> on Wednesdays.

Sallins GAA: 24/2 Jackpot €2,800 Numbers 15-18-30; No winner; Venue 3/3, The Mill; Jackpot €2,950. Naas GAA: 20/2 Jackpot €4,150: Numbers 6-7-12-25; No winner: Next week's Jackpot €4,300.