

# Parish Newsletter

28th July 2024

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Jn 6:1-15

## World Day for Grandparents and Older People. 28th July 2024

Going back over the years, Grandparents and Older People were the silent minority. They were never really appreciated for the work and help they were to young families. But then through an inspiration that the Founder of the Catholic Grandparents Association had at Our Lady's Shrine in Walsingham, in 2001, the seed for the Catholic Grandparents Association was sown.

The mission of the Catholic Grandparents Association is: -

*'to help Grandparents pass on the faith,  
to value and support them in that role and  
keep prayer at the heart of family life.'*

Grandparents have gone into the schools to explain about the Rosary. They have given Rosary Beads to the children, Miraculous Medals, and Prayer Books. In 2022, Pope Francis announced that the last Sunday in July would be a Special Day of Prayer for Grandparents and Older People. He said he was one now himself and would like to be included.

Grandparents and Older People are now well respected and appreciated. It has been highlighted how important they are in minding grandchildren, bringing them to school, teaching them prayers and bringing them to Mass, bringing them into the Church during the day, showing them the Stations of the Cross, the stained glass windows, the statues and how to be reverent in the Church, and blessing them with Holy Water.

## An 8 year old boy's view of Grandmothers...

*A grandmother is a woman,  
who has no children of her own,  
so she loves the boys and girls of  
other people.*

*Grandmothers have nothing to  
do, they only have to be there.*

*If they take you for a walk,  
they go slowly past beautiful  
leaves and caterpillars.*

*They never say*

*"Come along quickly", or*

*"Hurry up for goodness sake".*

*They are usually fat, but not too  
fat to tie your shoe laces.*

*They wear spectacles and  
sometimes take out their teeth.*

*They can answer any question,  
for instance why dogs hate cats?  
and why God is not married?*

*When they read to us, they never  
leave anything out.*

*They do not mind if it's always  
the same story.*

*Everyone should have a  
grandmother especially those who  
do not have a television.*

*Grandmothers are the only grown  
ups who have plenty of time!*

*God bless all Grandparents and Older People.*

*Your Church needs you. Your Family needs you. You are appreciated.*



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*Safeguarding Policy is displayed in all Church Porches.*

## PARISH FINANCES

Naas: Development Fund: €3,490

Online donations (18<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> July): €103

Tap & Go (18<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> July): €620

Sallins: Envelopes: €370 Baskets: €645

TMH: €1,390

## Recent Baptisms

Fionn O'Driscoll, Suncroft

Niamh Lacey, Osberstown

Ethan Bjonerud, London, UK

Evie Bjonerud, London, UK

Fíadh McCormack, Prosperous

Quinn Dempsey, Cluain Aoibhinn

Ava Browne, Jigginstown Park

Ciarán Murnaghan, Cill Corban

Luke Johnson, Kerdiff Park



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

Gerry McFadden, Spring Gardens

Anne Shannon, Sallins

Anne Clarke, McAuley Place

Mary (Kitty) O'Halloran, Jigginstown

**MAY THEY REST IN PEACE**

## Kildare 3-day Lough Derg Pilgrimage

\*Tues. 13<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> August. Pick up from Naas and Sallins.

For bookings ring Joe 0873815887

or email : [deirdregleeson@medwise.ie](mailto:deirdregleeson@medwise.ie)



**New Men's Shed in Sallins**  
located at the old Sallins hire premises, Station bridge, Sallins  
New members very welcome.

Pop in for a chat and a cuppa, to learn or share a skill or a story.

Open Mon. Wed. Fri.: 10.30am-2pm.

For further information: call 086 280 5524



## Divine Mercy Prayers

At 5.30pm in the Adoration Chapel,

Ballycane, Wednesday, 31st July.

Followed by Rosary. All Welcome.

**Advance Notice:** The plan is for Sallins Church to be closed for the fitting of carpets from Monday 26th until Friday 30th August inclusive. *Thank you*

## Féile Nás na Ríogh - Sunday 4th August.

Free Music Festival on Main Street, Naas  
12noon to 8pm.

*Entertainment for all the family!*

Please see Parish Website or App for full details.

Mrs Vera Burke & the Irish Cancer Society wish to acknowledge the tremendous support given to the **Daffodil Day fundraising**. A special **Thank You to all who gave of their time on the day and to those who contributed to make the event a wonderful success. €7,697.89 was raised.**



## Heritage Week Walk - Thursday 22nd August 7pm at St. Corban's Cemetery.

Walk guided by Paddy Behan, Naas Local History Group.  
Commentary on the story of St. Corban's and its interments since the 19th century.

## Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw

**There was no winner of the €6,550 on 24th July**

**Numbers Drawn on were: 27-20-14-4**

**Lucky Dip: Anon., M. Roche, M. Casey, M. Cully**

**You could win the Jackpot of €6,800 on Weds 31st July**

**Thank you for your support!**