

Parish Newsletter

16th March 2025

Second Sunday in Lent



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Called to Ministry

In this time of change for our Church and recognising the need for people to come forward in service to their parish community, the call to ministry continues to evolve.

On Friday the 7th February last, 31 men and women began discernment for the role of **Lay Pastoral Minister** in our Diocese.

Drawn from across the diocese, we pray God's blessing upon them in this time of reflection. Their formal studies, directed by the Pontifical University of Maynooth, will begin in September 2025.



This weekend we remember those who are in their fourth year of training and formation to become **Permanent Deacons** for the Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin.

Pictured above are Jody Callan and Michal Mizgala, both candidates have committed since 2021 to a study programme of spiritual, academic and pastoral development with the Pontifical University at Maynooth.

On Friday evening last (14th March) in Portlaoise, in the presence of Bishop Denis, Jody and Michal received the Ministry of Acolyte. This is the penultimate step on the journey to being ordained as deacons.

In a special way we pray for Michal Mizgala and Jody Callan and their families from this Parish here in Naas and we pray God's blessing upon them as they continue on their journey towards ordination to the diaconate.

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10am to 1pm

SACRISTY TWO MILE HOUSE: 086 399 1706

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Ms. Sarah Farmer	Parish Manager	045 879 730

Safeguarding Policy is displayed in all Church Porches.

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

Margaret Mattimoe, Kingsfurze Ave

Betty (Bridget) Brien, Sallins

Brendan Sutton, Ornamental Gdns.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS

Naas: Development Fund: €4,190

Online donations (6th - 12th Mar): €239

Tap&Go (6th - 12th Mar): €780

Sallins: Envelopes: €350 Baskets: €675

TMH: €515

Recent Baptisms

Mikey O'Dwyer, The Orchard

Ted Raleigh, Newbridge

Afric Casey, Castlefarm

Jack Doyle, Kilcullen

Caoimhe Whelan, Arconagh

Flynn Whelan, Whitethorn Lawn

Liana Tabassi, Whitethorn Lawn

Murray Delaney, Johnstown

James Doyle, Longstone

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: Fri: 10am

Sat Vigil: 7pm

SUNDAYS: 11.30am

CHURCH OF ST PETER, TWO MILE HOUSE

SUNDAYS: 10am

CHURCH OF ST BRIGID, KILL

WEEKDAYS: Mon. - Fri.: 10am

SATURDAYS: 6.30pm

SUNDAYS: 11am

CHURCH OF ST ANNE, ARDCLOUGH

SUNDAYS: 9.30am

FIRST FRIDAYS: 8pm

St. Patrick's Day Mass Times Mon 17th March

OLSD: Vigil Mass (Sun) 6pm
9am and 11am (bilingual)

No 6pm Mass on the Monday eve (17th)

Ballycane: 10.30am and 12noon

Sallins: 11.30am

Two Mile House: 10am

Donations of daffodils for St. Patrick's Day
Masses may be left near the altar in OLSD
over the weekend (15th/16th March).

St. Patrick's Day Annual
Pilgrimage to St. Patrick's Well
meet at 11.15am in front of the
Killashee House Hotel.

People from all
parishes are very
welcome!

Please note that this
pilgrimage is subject to
weather conditions.



SEASON OF LENT 2025

For Six Tuesdays during Lent, **Scripture Sharing** with Fr. Michael in the Upper Room after the 10am Mass, continuing on Tuesday 18th March.

Tuesday Evenings during Lent, **'Exploring Our Spiritual Life'** with Fr. Robert 7.15pm in the Day Chapel of Ballycane Church. The journey will continue on Tuesday 18th March, focusing on the topic of 'Anger vs Meekness'.

Prayer Service with Adoration, Sallins Church, Tuesdays at 10am.

Three Wednesdays - Three Invited Speakers (cont'd) Finding Hope in a Year of Jubilee

Wednesday
19th of March
7pm Mass
Ballycane Church

'Finding Hope in a Hopeless Place'
Our Speaker is Sr. Marion Ryan, a local Mercy Sister, who is presently Chaplain at the Midlands Prison in Portlaoise.

Wednesday
26th of March
7pm Mass
Ballycane Church

'Maintaining Hope despite the Challenges of Life'
Our Speaker is Frank Browne, a married Permanent Deacon of the Archdiocese of Dublin, Senior Mental Health Social Worker in the HSE.

Join us for the **Stations of the Cross:**

Fridays in Lent at 3pm in the Parish Church, with the Legion of Mary.

Palm Sunday 13th April at Punchestown Racecourse (details later).

Monday 14th April at 7.30pm:

An invitation to the Chrism Mass in Carlow Cathedral.

Join Bishop Denis as the Holy Oils for the year are blessed and consecrated and the priests of the diocese renew their priestly promises.

A **return bus** to the Cathedral will be leaving Sallins at 5.10pm, OLSD at 5.20pm and Ballycane Church at 5.45pm. Please contact the parish office to register for the bus.

N.B. if you are participating in the Mass and need to be there early, you should make your own travel arrangements.

Trócaire Boxes are available to collect from the Churches.

By cutting down on spending each day in Lent and placing the money saved into your

Trócaire Box, you can help families cope with climate change and erratic weather.

Your donation can help them feed their families and educate their children.

Thank you.



Tree of Charity

During Lent, you are invited to take a label from the Tree of Charity in each Church and return the following week with the item detailed on it which can then be placed in the basket at the base of the tree during Mass Times.

These items will be distributed by NaasPoint to people in need in the parishes.

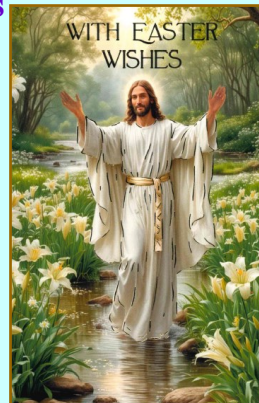


Don't forget Mother's Day, Sunday 30th March.

Visit the Parish Shops for a selection of Mother's Day Mass Bouquets, Cards and Gift items.



Also, a new range of Easter Mass Bouquets and Cards, including Trocaire greetings cards.



NAAS TIDY TOWNS

AGM at 8pm on Thursday, 27th March, Ballycane Church.

If anyone has a suggestions of a person who is sick & would be able to travel to Lourdes 28th of June to the 5th of July can you please contact Rita Fanning: Sallins Lourdes Committee 087 6535112



ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Another chance at life

NAAS GROUP OF AA Meetings:

Monday: 8.30-9.30pm in the Portacabin- St. David's Church

Thursday: 1-2pm in McAuley Place Community Centre.

Friday: 8- 9pm in McAuley Place Community Centre.

Saturday: 8- 9pm in McAuley Place Community Ctr. (Step Meeting)

Nas Na Ri Senior Citizen's Group:

is open for new members. We meet the second Wednesday of each month in Ballycane Church, Naas. **We run a friendly social group and organise activities, outings and talks.**

For further information please contact Imelda 0872281512.

Confirmation Mass

All those recently Confirmed and their families are invited to a special Mass in Ballycane Church on Sunday 23rd March at 12noon.

Easter Raffle in Parish Shop:

Win one of these lovely Easter Hampers



Tickets €3 each or 4 for €10.

Draw will be held on Weds. 16th April at 2pm in the Parish Shop on the Sallins Road in aid of the Irish Cancer Society.

Monday is a Bank Holiday: the Parish Office and Shops will be closed, reopening on Tuesday.

JUNIOR CHOIR

Would you like to join our Junior Choir in Our Lady and St. David's Church? This is for 4th Class upwards. We sing at the 6pm family Mass on the 2nd Saturday of each month and we meet for practice on Thursdays in the Church from 4pm to 5pm.

Please contact Helen 085 7137701 for more information or come along on Thursday.



Naas Parish Weekly Lotto Draw

There was no winner of the €3,450 Jackpot on 12th March.

Lucky Dip winners were

D. & A. Gibson, Anon., C. Timmons, A. O'Neill

Numbers Drawn were: 13-5-4-11

You could win the Jackpot of **€3,700** on Weds. 19th March

Thank you for your support!