

Parish Newsletter



Fourth Sunday of Easter
26th April 2015

John 10: 11-18

No 1497



I am the Good Sheperd
Jn 10:11

guarantees each of us a place there as our eternal (that is forever and evermore) home! That is why we offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving and praise daily, the Mass, to God through Christ, in the power and love of the Holy Spirit! Our Easter joy and hope is that all may receive the grace of Baptism and our challenge is to live as Easter people so others may want to be like us!

Vocations Sunday:

The 4th Sunday of Easter is traditionally known as Vocations Sunday, because the Gospel tells the story of Jesus, the Good Shepherd. While we encourage prayers for vocations to religious life as sisters, brothers or priests, we should not forget that, today, we celebrate the vocation of all baptised Christians!

God so loves us that he sent Jesus, his Son, to die for our sins and, by the grace of Baptism, offers us the security of becoming God's adopted children. In rising from the dead and ascending to Heaven, Christ

On this vocation Sunday we can ask ourselves: "Am I living my life with Christ as model, friend, brother and Saviour? Is there joy in my heart, knowing what he did for me and does for me daily, and am I willing to share that joy and hope and gratitude with those whose lives I touch? Am I a Christian in name only or in the life I live?"

Please take a few moments this week to renew your faith in Christ's love for you and in you, and decide how you will share that with others. That's the heart of living the Christian Vocation. God Bless you, Easter People!



Dear Brothers and Sisters:

In our continuing catechesis on the family, we now reflect on the importance of brothers and sisters. Growing up in a family with other children is a profound human experience which is fulfilled in Christ, who became our brother and made us children of God our Father.

The story of Cain and Abel shows that we are indeed our brothers' keeper (cf *Gen 4:9*) within the human family. In families, we learn how to be good brothers and sisters; what we learn at home then becomes a

source of enrichment for society as a whole. The grace of Christ leads us to see others as our brothers and sisters, reconciles differences and divisions, and offers the promise of a society of true freedom and equality.

The experience of fraternal love in families is seen especially in the care shown to our children with special needs. Jesus teaches us that this same love must be shown to all our brothers and sisters, especially those in greatest need.

May our often impersonal societies learn to foster a spirit of brotherhood, and may families everywhere come to appreciate the great blessing of God found in our young who love, and are loved, as brothers and sisters.

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SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN PARISH REPRESENTATIVES

Naas: Andrew Fagan and Geraldine Faherty

Two Mile House: Anita Comer Julian **Sallins:** Ann Moran.
They can be contacted through the Parish Office, Sallins Road, Naas. Phone 045 879730

MASS TIMES

CHURCH OF OUR LADY AND ST. DAVID , SALLINS ROAD

WEEKDAYS: Mon-Fri 7.30am and 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 THE GUARDIAN ANGELS, SALLINS

WEEKDAYS: Tues and FRI 10am

SUNDAYS: Sat Vigil 6.30pm Sun 10am and 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

FEAST AND MEMORIAL DAYS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

Wednesday 29th: St Catherine of Siena, Patron of Europe.

Saturday 2nd: St Athanasius, Church bishop/doctor

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

Maura Coyle, Sarto Road

Margaret Harrison nee Noone formerly

of Patrician Avenue who died in England

Patricia Jones nee Drewitt who died in England

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



RECENT BAPTISMS

Naas:

Amelia Rose Curtis, Lacken View

Dan James Anthony Harrison, Arconagh

Tom David Hannon, Craddockstown Court



Alfie Patrick Sheridan, Kilcullen

Stephen Daniel Quinn, Allenwood

William Jack Nestor, Switzerland



For those requesting the Sacrament of Baptism two weeks notice is required. For further details see our website at www.naasparish.ie/sacraments/baptism

NAAS PARISH NEWS

Divine Mercy next meeting takes place on Wednesday coming, 29th April immediately after the 7.30pm Mass in the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. All welcome

First Friday 1st May 2015:

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church of Our Lady and St David, Sallins Road, after the 10am Mass until 6pm.

Sacrament of Reconciliation in the Church of Our Lady and St David on Thursday after 10am Mass and Friday, 9.30am-10am and after 10am Mass.

Marian Movement Cenacle Movement next monthly meeting in the Church of Our Lady and St David takes place on Saturday coming, 2nd May after the 10am Mass. All welcome.

The Parish Office is now open on Saturday's from 10am to 5pm to facilitate with Mass Cards, only.

Naas GAA have established a committee to promote the Irish Language and Culture in the club. We are holding an open meeting on Wednesday coming, 29th April at 9pm in the Club to discuss further. All welcome; all levels of Gaeilge catered for. For further details contact Sinead at 087 9399644.

Alzheimer Café will continue to be held in McAuley Place in Naas. On Wednesday coming 29th April, Dr Mary Martin, Consultant Geriatrician Naas Hospital, will speak on "Dementia and Alzheimer's - Understanding the Difference". A Reminder also that the Community Choir continues to be held every Tuesday from 11am-1pm in McAuley Place for those living with Dementia and their carers.

St Vincent de Paul helpline number 045 897306.

Found: Child's Ring in Our Lady and St David's Church last weekend. Ph Parish Office at 879730.

Lost: Small Gold Ring found in the Tesco/Dublin Road area. Phone Parish Office at 879730.

SALLINS PARISH NEWS

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament continues on Tuesday coming 28th April from 10.30am—11am.

Lourdes 2015, 40th Anniversary travelling on Friday 12th June for 7 nights. A few extra seats have now become available. Bookings ph Rita 087 6535112.

Thank You to all who supported the very successful Bake Sale in Sallins Community Hall on Sunday last, 19th April in aid of Kildare Branch Down Syndrome Latch-on Literacy Programme. The students are travelling to the European Parliament in May. Well done Sallins Community for the support!

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

St Vincent de Paul helpline number 045 897306

TWO MILE HOUSE PARISH NEWS

STRICTLY TMH: Congratulations and heartfelt thanks to the Organising Committee, Sponsors, Dancers, and all who contributed to the enormously enjoyable

and successful event last Saturday night. It was a true Easter, life giving, total community event in which all were winners, and of which we can be justly proud. *Fr P.J.*

County Champions; WOW! Congratulations to our under 14 footballers who were crowned FEILE C County Champions last week! . You were fantastic and brought great joy to us all. Special thanks to trainers and drivers throughout the season!

Community Games athletic track event will take place at the Two Mile House GAA pitches on Sunday 24th May. Registration 1.30 for 2pm start. As in previous years this is a fun afternoon for children and adults alike and weather permitting we hope to add in a few surprises.

GENERAL NOTICE

Parish Finances:

Sallins: Baskets: €662 Envelopes €425
Naas: Offertory: €3,270 Development €3,842
Two Mile House: €510

Sports Lottery Results

Naas: 16/4 (3-16-25-28) No winner, Jackpot €1,450
Sallins: 20/4 (8-13-35) No winner, Jackpot €2,050
Naas United 20/4 (1-12-13-26) No winner Jackpot €3,000

Trocaire Boxes can still be left into the Sacristy or the Parish Office, Sallins Road. **Please Do Not leave them in the church/porches. Thank You.**

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help continues tomorrow Monday 27th April at 7.30pm St. Conleth's Church, Newbridge and will conclude on Monday 8th June. Guest speakers will be in attendance each night. Theme "***Keep the Faith!***"

Darkness into Light: Naas Darkness into Light Walk takes place at Naas Racecourse on the morning of May 9th starting at 4.15 am. Travelling to the venue by car you can only enter the Racecourse from the Dublin Road. To register visit www.darknessintolight.ie

Vehicle Security: At the request of An Garda Síochána people are asked to be more careful as to not leave items visible in parked cars. **Gardai have reported a significant rise in car break-ins at Church Car Parks and Graveyards in the diocese.**

You Could Win €7,750

On this Wednesday coming, 29th April in Naas Parish Lotto Draw Simply Buy A €2 Ticket And It Could Be You

There was no winner of the Jackpot on Wednesday 22nd April. Numbers drawn were: 13-9-15-7.

Tickets are available from the Parish Office on the Sallins Road, or in the Church of the Irish Martyrs Ballycane. Lotto Envelopes are also available in the Church Porches. Simply complete and drop it into the Parish Office, Sallins Road before 3pm for the weekly draw.

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

Remember you can join the Lotto anytime.

If you would like to join the Parish Lotto Draw or renew your Annual Subscription please complete your details below and return it to any of the Priests; The Parish Office, Sallins Road ; Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane. *If you're not in you can't win!!*

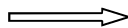
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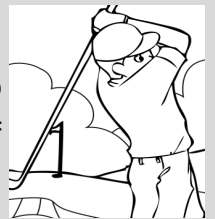
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(inclusive) and write them in the boxes**



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Our Annual Golf Classic for the Parish Church Restoration Fund

will take place on Monday, 15th June in Craddockstown Golf Club. If you would like to participate as a Team on the day, Sponsor a Tee Box or Prizes for the Golf Competition or Raffle, please contact the Parish Office on 045 879730.



Parish/Diocesan Pilgrimages

Medjugorje Annual Parish Pilgrimage takes place from Wednesday 27th May for 7 nights. Cost of Pilgrimage €659. Booking deposit €100. Phone John/Catherine at 086 8563773. Spiritual Director Fr. Seamus McEntee.

Naas and Two Mile House Pilgrimage to Lourdes travelling on Wednesday 2nd September for 5 nights, staying at Hotel Padoue. Cost €739 per person sharing. Deposit €100. Bookings at the Parish Office, Sallins Road. Spiritual Director: Fr. John Brickley.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land departing on Wednesday, 16th September for 9 Nights. Spiritual Director: Rev Mgr John Byrne. Please contact Tully's Travel Ltd, 137 Tullow Street, Carlow for further information email: www.tullys.ie or phone 059 9136100.



Thought for the Week:

*"To your enemy -- forgiveness; To your opponent -- tolerance;
To a friend -- your heart; To a customer -- service;
To yourself -- respect".*