



Mass Intentions for this week:

Sat	31st Oct	Special Intention..
Sun	1st Nov	Margaret & Patrick Mulvihill & D.F.M. Also Rem. Brid
Mon	2nd Nov	Special Intention.
Tues	3rd Nov	Special Intention.
Wed	4th Nov	Special Intention.
Thurs	5th Nov	Special Intention.
Fri	6th Nov	Special Intention.
Sat	7th Nov	Special Intention.
Sun	8th Nov	Mass for the People of the Parish.

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Tommy Hanley, Leab. Also Brendan Killian, Cornaguillagh, whose funerals took place recently. May they Rest In Peace.

November List of the Dead: During this month we remember our families and friends who have gone to their rest. You may fill in names on sheets provided at each entrance and drop them in the box at the altar starting on Sunday 1st November.

Adoration continues on Wednesday 3-9pm.

Newtowncashel Parish Facebook Page has been established - so we will be able to send out the newsletter and notices regarding Covid updates to parishioners - Special Thanks to Tom Dennigan and David Hanley who manage the page.

Message from Bishop Francis On Sunday 1 November at 3.00pm a special Remembrance Service will take place in Saint Mel's Cathedral, Longford, and will be broadcast by webcam on www.longfordparish.com. I invite you to join us online as we remember, pray for those who have gone before us and for those who mourn. In a similar way on social media I encourage you to use the hashtag #RememberInNovember along with your prayerful messages to commemorate the souls of our loved ones. May our departed rest in peace and may the Lord bring consolation to those who grieve.

- **Public Masses** cannot be celebrated. A priest may celebrate Mass in the church privately but with no congregation present, this may be live streamed. Outside speakers should not be used at this time as outdoor gatherings are not allowed.

- **First Friday Calls** cannot take place until further notice.

- **Anointing** of the sick may take place **when invited by the family** and taking all the necessary precautions of hand sanitising, social distancing, face covering and anointing with a cotton bud.

Lotto draw held on Monday 26th October. No's drawn 7,10,19&25. No jackpot winner. €30 €5 envelopes to Caoimhe Lawlor; €30 to Mike Hopkins; €20 each to Mark Glancy and Colm O'Shea. Next weeks draw will be held on Monday 2nd November at 9pm and the jackpot is €4,500. Thanks you.

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The Danish theologian and philosopher Kierkegaard composed a famous parable about a wild goose. With his comrades, this goose was flying in Springtime northward across Europe. During the flight, hunger drove him to come down in a barnyard in Denmark, where there were tame geese. He ate and enjoyed some of their corn, and stayed for an hour. The next time they passed over, he stayed for a day, ... the next for a week, and, finally, because he liked the fare and the safety of the barnyard so much ... he stayed all summer. In the Autumn, his wild friends were winging their way southward when they passed once more over the barnyard - Their cries stirred him to a strange ecstasy of joy and delight. Then, flapping his wings, he rose in the air to join his old comrades on their flight to the land of summer. But, sadly, he found that the good fare had made him so heavy and soft that he could rise no higher than the eaves of the barn. He sank back again to the barnyard, and said to himself, "Oh, well, my life is safe here and the fare is good." Every spring, and again every autumn, when the wild geese flew over his barnyard, he would hear their honking cry - A gleam could be seen in his eyes for a moment ... then, beginning to lift his wings, he would fain have joined his mates. But at length, the day came when the wild geese flew above him ... their plaintive cry echoing down to the barnyard ... and alas, he paid not the slightest attention to them.

Moral:

On the surface, Kierkegaard's point is that you can make wild geese tame, but it's far more difficult to make tame geese wild again.

At a deeper level - Christians are destined to fly at the highest heights toward heaven. Sadly, we get distracted by what the world has to offer ... and land in the barnyard. We waddle, among the tame geese ... when we were meant to fly. Jesus constantly reminds us that only the untamed innocence and wonder of the child's heart allows Him to reveal Himself to us. Life hardens the heart and can make us cynical or worse ... indifferent - The only way to regain that purity of soul is through a deep devotion to prayer and especially the Mass - St. Alphonsus. Today's Gospel puts before us the qualities of the saints - so we celebrate them and ask them to intercede for us as only they can to help us to regain some of the spiritual enthusiasm of our childhood.