



PARISH OF CASHEL NEWSLETTER  
FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C 3RD FEBRUARY 2019  
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**Mass Times & Masses for the dead as follows:**

Sat 2nd Feb 8.00pm	Sr. Catherine Marie (Lucy Flynn), Daughters of Mary & Joseph, (Month's Mind.) Also Candlemas day - Blessing of candles.
Sun 3rd Feb 10.30am	John & Teresa Finnegan & D.F.M. Cormaglove. Also Feast of St. Blaise - throats will be Blessed.
Mon 4th Feb 8.00pm	Special Intention.
Tues 5th Feb 8.00pm	Mass for the people of the Parish.
Wed 6th Feb No Mass.	
Thur 7th Feb 9.30am	Harry Farrell, Clonmee, also remembering his wife Nan.
Fri 8th Feb 9.30am	Special Intention. <b>No evening Mass re: Station.</b>
Sat 9th Feb 8.00pm	John Donlon & his son Dermot Anthony & D.F.M. Derrahuaun.
Sun 10th Feb 10.30am	Carmel Skelly, (Month's Mind.) Derrydarragh.
<b>Eucharistic Adoration</b> continues on Wednesday 3pm-9pm and Friday 8.30pm-9pm.	
<b>Eucharistic Roster</b> 8.00pm Sat 9th Feb	Anna Costello & Thomas Dennigan.
10.30am Sun 10th Feb	Yvonne Kenny & Elizabeth Whitton.
<b>Readers' Roster</b> 8.00pm Sat 9th Feb	Thomas Dennigan.
10.30am Sun 10th Feb	Helen Hassett.

**Please note Month Mind & Anniversary Masses** always take precedence over other booked Masses. Thank you for your kind co-operation.

**Stations as follows** - Enquiries: 086 0603433.

Thurs 7th Feb:	Teresa & Sean Farrell, Ballagh.
Fri 8th Feb:	Bernie & Michael Farrell, Tipper.
Fri 15th Feb:	Yvonne & John Kenny, Derrydarragh.
Thurs 21st Feb:	Breda & Eamon Murphy, Clarris & Cross.
Fri 22nd Feb:	Anna & Jimmy Costello, Claraune.
Fri 1st Mar:	Betty Whitton, Forthill.
Thurs 7th Mar:	Martin & Gaye Skelly, Carrowbeg.
Fri 8th Mar:	Bridget Hopkins, Drumnee.
Fri 15th Mar:	Maura & Ray Brehon, Portunure.

**A Mass of Remembrance** will be held on Wednesday, 6th February 2019, at 2.30 pm in St. Loman's Hospital Chapel, Mullingar, in memory of deceased patients and people buried in St. Loman's Hospital Cemetery from 1907 to 1970. All are welcome.

**Newtowncashel Tidy Towns AGM** takes place on Monday 4th February at 8pm. All members are asked to attend and new members will be most welcome.

**The Lourdes assisted Pilgrims** annual collection takes place next weekend the 9th & 10th of February in the Church. Generous support greatly appreciated. Any names of sick people who would like to join the pilgrimage, please contact Elizabeth Clyne at 3325156.

**Readers and Eucharistic Ministers** rosters coming soon. New volunteers please contact me at 086 0603433.

**ICA** will return from its Christmas break on February 5th in The Hill at 8pm.

**Please pray for the soul** of Eileen Anderson, nee Skelly, Comagualagh who died in Middlesex, England.

**St. Mary's Meals** collected €437 last weekend. Special thanks to collectors called at the last moment for this worthy venture: Peter Hanley, Michael Casey, John Flood and Ger Farrell.

**Reflection:** A farmer went to a neighbour for an interpretation on a point of law. "My cow was gored by your bull. Do I get any compensation?"

"Certainly not", replied the other. "How can the owner be responsible for what his animal does?"

"Just a moment," said the crafty farmer "I'm afraid I got the question back to front. What actually happened was ... my bull gored your cow." "Ah", said the neighbour, that complicates the situation. I will have to look up the record of precedents ... for there may be other factors involved which are relevant and may alter the case". Sociologists tell us that we see life from a biased position ... even the fairest of people ... and that is what is happening in today's Gospel. The Lord's neighbours see Jesus as Joseph's son but not God's.

Likewise, a teacher teaching Maths to seven-year-old Tony asked him, "If I give you one apple and one apple and one apple, how many apples will you have?" Within a few seconds Tony replied confidently, "Four!"

The dismayed teacher was expecting an effortless correct answer (three). She was disappointed. "Maybe the child did not listen properly," she thought. She repeated, "Tony, listen carefully. If I give you one apple and one apple and one apple, how many apples will you have?"

Tony had seen the disappointment on his teacher's face. He calculated again on his fingers. But within him he was also searching for the answer that will make the teacher happy. His search for the answer was not for the correct one, but the one that will make his teacher happy. This time hesitatingly he replied, "Four..."

The disappointment stayed on the teacher's face. She remembered that Tony liked strawberries. She thought maybe he doesn't like apples and that is making him lose focus. This time with an exaggerated excitement and a twinkling in her eyes she asked, "If I give you one strawberry and one strawberry and one strawberry, then how many will you have?" Seeing the teacher happy, young Tony calculated on his fingers again. There was no pressure on him, but a little on the teacher. She wanted her new approach to succeed. With a hesitating smile young Tony ventured, "Three?"

The teacher now had a victorious smile. Her approach had succeeded. She wanted to congratulate herself. But one last thing remained. Once again she asked him, "Now if I give you one apple and one apple and one more apple how many will you have?"

Promptly Tony answered, "Four!"

The teacher was aghast. "How Tony, how?" she demanded a little sternly and clearly irritated.

In a voice that was low and hesitating young Tony replied, "Because I already have one apple in my bag."

**Moral:** When someone gives us an answer that is different to what we expected ... We should not think they are wrong. There may be an angle that we have not understood at all."

**"Most people do not listen with the intent to understand; they listen with the intent to reply."**

**-Stephen R. Covey.**

The people in today's Gospel reject Jesus. Their minds are closed to what He has to say. Let us not be in the same boat when we come to Mass. Jesus is speaking to us in every word of the Eucharist if we have ears to hear.