



PARISH OF CASHEL NEWSLETTER
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT - 4TH DECEMBER 2016
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This Advent season, as we gather to wait for JESUS,
may the LIGHT of His presence bring JOY to our hearts!



Mass Times as follows:

Saturday Vigil Mass: 8pm. Sunday: 10.30am. Monday and Friday 8pm. Tuesday 9.30am.

No Mass on Wednesday. Thursday 8th December is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Masses at 10.30am & 8pm.

Masses for the Dead:

Sat	3rd Dec	8.00pm	Richard & Annie Farrell, Cross.
Sun	4th Dec	10.30am	Peter & Kathleen Connaughton, Cormaglava.
Mon	5th Dec	8.00pm	Special Intention.
Tues	6th Dec	9.30am	Special Intention.
Thurs	8th Dec	10.30am	James Healy, Pollagh.
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Fri	9th Dec	8.00pm	Mass for the People of the Parish.
Sat	10th Dec	8.00pm	Alison Smyth.
Sun	11th Dec	10.30am	Frank Nolan, Portanure.
Mon	12th Dec	8.00pm	James Bermingham, Newtownflanagan.

Please Pray for the happy repose of the soul Leo Concannon, Staten Island, New York, husband of Mary Clarke, Curroole. Funeral arrangements later.
Also please pray for Paddy McArdle, Cormaglava and Tommy Carberry, Derryhaun whose funerals took place during the week.

St. Mary's N.S. : Thursday 8th December. School band will perform Christmas Carols in "The Hill" at 1pm. Admission free. All welcome.
Monday 19th & Tuesday 20th December - Christmas concert commencing at 6pm in "The Hill." Bookings at 086 8517037

St. Mary's N.S. Building Project: School extension works commenced on the 1st. Nov. This includes a new classroom, toilets, resource room, car park and up-grading of existing facilities.

Offertory Collection 27th Nov. € 620. Thank you for your generosity.

Board of Management meeting will be held in the School on Monday 5th December at 8.30pm.

GAA Shamrock Gaels (Southern Gaels & Ballymahon/Forney) are taking part in the Leinster Minor Semi-Final on Sunday at 2pm in Eire Og grounds, Carlow against the Dublin champions Clontarf. Bus leaving Ballymahon GAA pitch at 10am. Cost of Bus €10. If interested in travelling please contact David on 087 2524014



Second Sunday of Advent:
The Purple "Candle of Peace," or "Preparation."

Eucharistic Ministers' Roster:

8.00pm Sat 10th Dec Anna Costello & Thomas Dennigan.
10.30am Sun 11th Dec Brendan Bannion & Margaret Boyce.

Readers' Roster:

10.30am Thurs 8th Dec Joseph Kenny.
8.00pm Thurs 8th Dec Conor Skelly.
8.00pm Sat 10th Dec Mary Casey.
10.30am Sun 11th Dec Tara Farrell.

Concern Christmas Fast takes place next weekend 10th & 11th December.
Your support would be appreciated.

November Dues - to be finalised by this weekend. Thank you.

Reflection

In Frankfurt Germany many years ago - a very wealthy man died. He had no relatives. One question was on everybody's lips: "Who will have his millions now?" The man left two wills: One was to be opened immediately on his death, and the other only after the funeral. The first one was opened and it said: "My will is to be buried at 4am tomorrow morning." So this strange wish was carried out. There were only five mourners accompanying his coffin. The second will was opened. There it said: "I will that my whole estate be divided only among those who were present at my burial."

Moral: The five true friends were lucky. We might almost envy them. We have no call to do so - for we are luckier - How so? Jesus left us a last will too - it said: "Do this in memory of Me" which means: "Come to receive Me in Holy Communion each Sunday. Many people find this will strange and stay at home. But like the wealthy man in the story - Jesus wants to know his true friends. It's a small favour Jesus asks in return for everlasting life. All week long we do our own thing. This 40 minutes is for Jesus.

So if we want to inherit His Will, let us give this 40 minutes to him with all our hearts. Likewise on Wednesday from 3pm to 9pm He is waiting patiently to see if He means enough to me to spare 5 minutes of my time as I pass by in my busy life. Similarly, on Fridays after Mass, there will be Adoration from 8.30pm until 9.00pm.