Parish of Cashel

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THE SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS 5th January, 2014



Every good gift comes from the Father of light. May he grant you his grace and every blessing, and keep you safe throughout the coming year. May he order your days and your work in his peace, hear your every prayer, and lead you to everlasting life and joy. Amen. From the Roman Missal. (1974 Edition)

- ✿ Mass on Saturday (Vigil), 8.00 p.m.; Sunday, 10.30 a.m.; Monday, 10.30 a.m. and 8.00 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 9.30 a.m.; Friday, 8.00 p.m.
- **Mass for the Intentions of the People of the Parish,** this Sunday, 5th, at 10.30 a.m.
- ☆ Monday 6th, is the Feast of The Epiphany of the Lord, a holyday of obligation. Mass at 10.30 a.m. and 8.00 p.m. Do make a special effort to attend Mass on this important feast which completes the Christmas season.
- ☆ Tuesday 7th is the Feast of St. Raymond of Peñyafort, 1175-1275, a brilliant lawyer who joined the Dominicans at 47 and eventually became their Master General. Confessor to the Pope.

Thursday 9th, St. Adrian of Canterbury, African-born abbot of St. Augustine's Monastery at Canterbury, scholar and administrator, adviser and assistant to the Archbishop, he died in 710.

- Sunday 12th is the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.
- ☆ Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament returns on Wednesday 8th, 4.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. We thank the people who give their time to quiet prayer.
- Recitation of the Rosary resumes on Friday 11th at 7.30 p.m. All are welcome.
- ✿ Ordinary Time begins on Monday 13th. This is the term used to describe periods in the Church year which do not feature a liturgical season. It is denoted by the colour green and runs from the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord to the beginning of Lent and from Pentecost to Advent.
- ☆ The Spring Station Masses will be celebrated from 3rd to 28th February. Householders who are to host the Stations may arrange dates when convenient, if they have not already done so.

✿ Dates and times, 2014:-

First Confessions, Thursday, 6th March, 7.00 p.m.
Confirmation, Saturday, 22nd March, 12.00 noon.
First Holy Communion, Sunday, 11th May, 12.00 noon.
Cemetery Sunday, Saints' Island, 24th August, 6.00 p.m.
Cemetery Sunday, Cashel, 31st August, 6.00 p.m.
Pattern at Lady Well, Saturday, 6th September, 6.00 p.m.
Parish Mission, Introduction, Saturday, 20th September, 8.00 p.m.
Parish Mission, Opening, Saturday, 27th September, 8.00 p.m.

☆ Congratulations to Dara O'Shea and Fiona Culkin, who were married on Saturday, 28th December, 2013.



- Cloontagh and Newtowncashel Schools re-open on Tuesday 7th.
- G.A.A. Bord Na Móna O'Byrne Cup Senior Football. The Longford v. Kildare fixture will be played at Páirc Ciaráin, Newtowncashel, on Wednesday 8th, at 7.45 p.m. This is a significant event for the Cashel club and for Newtowncashel Village and should attract considerable local support.
- ☆ The first I.C.A. meeting of 2014 will be held in "The Hill" on Tuesday 7th, at 8.00 p.m.
- ☆ Newtowncashel Tidy Towns holds its inaugural meeting of 2014, in "The Hill", on Wednesday 8th, at 8.00 p.m.

Deaths/Funerals 10.

In total 17 natives or residents of Cashel married in 2013.

- ☆ Newtowncashel Defibrillator Group wish to thank the people of the parish for contributing so generously to their recent Church gate collection which realised €520.00.
- ✿ Recent collection totals:-

Sunday 22nd December	€1,380.00.
Christmas Eve/Day	€2,315.00.
Sunday 29th December	€630.00.
Monthly Collection, December,	€1,535.00.
Christmas Dues	€6,485.00.

Contributions to the **Monthly Collection** for January, this weekend, please.

✿ Masses for the Dead:-

Saturday 4th, 8.00 p.m., John & Margaret Muldoon, Greenhall Upper,

and Jimmy Kennedy, Aughnacross. Saturday 11th, 8.00 p.m., Tom Rowan, Cormaglava. Please pray for Jim Farrell, formerly of Forthill, who died in Southampton on 31st December.

Happy New Year Athbhlian faoi mhaise oraibh



Thank you very much indeed.