

Parish of Cashel

CHURCH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN, NEWTOWNCASHEL

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THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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THE RAISING OF LAZARUS

Jesus gives three commands:-

“Take the stone away.”

“Lazarus, here! Come out!”

“Unbind him, let him go free.”

In a situation which had seemed totally hopeless, Jesus is very much in charge. Those who have faith in Jesus have that assurance in the most difficult and hopeless situations.

We're only a fortnight from Easter. The Gospel scene has several pointers to Easter and the Resurrection.



- ✘ **Mass** on Saturday (Vigil), 8.00 p.m.; Sunday, 10.30 a.m.; Monday, 8.00 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 7.00 a.m., Friday, 12.30 p.m., Wedding Mass.
- ✘ **Lenten Masses.** During Lent, Mass is celebrated at 7.00 a.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Everyone welcome. Just five mornings left!
- ✘ **Mass for the Intentions of the People of the Parish**, *Missa pro Populo*, on Tuesday, 8th, at 7.00 a.m.
- ✘ **Monday 7th** is the Feast of St. John Baptist de la Salle, 1651-1715, French educator, founded the De la Salle Brothers, dedicated to the Christian education of poor boys, patron saint of teachers.
Friday 11th, St. Stanislaus, 26th July, 1030 - 11th April, 1079, Patron Saint of Poland; Bishop of Krakow from 1072; murdered by King Boleslaw II after Stanislaus excommunicated him for serious misconduct.
- ✘ **Sunday next is Palm Sunday**, the commencement of Holy Week. Palms will be blessed at the beginning of Mass on Saturday and Sunday.
- ✘ **Confessions**, in preparation for the Easter Triduum, on Monday week, 14th, at 8.00 p.m., and in St. Mary's Church, Lanesboro, on Wednesday 16th at 7.30 p.m. Visiting confessors will attend in both instances. Those who wish to go to Confession for Easter are urged to avail of these opportunities.
- ✘ **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** takes place on Wednesdays, 4.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. An opportunity to “watch one hour” with the Lord.

- ✘ **The Stations of the Cross** – on the Fridays of Lent at 7.30 p.m. All are urged to make a special effort to participate in this traditional devotion.
- ✘ **The Junior Choir** will rehearse in Church on Saturday 12th, 6.00 to 7.00 p.m., in preparation for ‘Do This in Memory’ on Holy Thursday, and the Children’s Mass on Easter Sunday. A further practice will be held after the ceremonies on Good Friday.
- ✘ **An Altar Servers’** practice for Holy Week will be held in the Church on Tuesday week, 15th, at 5.00 p.m. All servers who are to be involved in the ceremonies are asked to attend.
- ✘ **Volunteers for Holy Week.** Fr. Brady would like to hear from people who are willing to read or participate in the re-enactment of the Washing of the Feet.
- ✘ **Getting Married in 2014?** Some spaces are still available on the Longford Accord pre-marriage courses, 12th and 15th May, 13th and 14th June. For further information, contact Accord, Longford, ☎ 043 334 7222 or book on-line www.accord.ie
Counselling Service. Accord also provides a professional counselling service for couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage or relationship. It affords a safe place in which to explore difficulties in a confidential, respectful and non-judgemental atmosphere. Contact Accord, Longford, ☎ 043 334 7222.
- ✘ **The Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes** takes place from 27th May to 1st June. Five nights. Fully inclusive price €699.00. Flights from Knock. Contact: Joe Walsh Tours, 143 Lower Baggot Street, Dublin 2, ☎ 01 241 0811, 01 241 0812. Details regarding the special section for the sick from Rev. Michael Scanlon P.P., Cloghan, Birr, Co. Offaly, ☎ 090 645 7122. The organisers request the names of sick people who would like to join the pilgrimage. Names should be submitted as soon as possible, please, to:- Elizabeth Clyne, ☎ 043 332 5156.
- ✘ **St. Mary’s National School Parents’ Association** hold their Annual Table Quiz and Raffle in the Peer Inn, Lisnacusha, on Saturday 12th, commencing 9.00 p.m., sharp. Tables of four, €40.00. Support will be greatly appreciated.
- ✘ **Ploughing.** The 80th annual County Longford Ploughing Championships take place on the farm of James and Harry Reynolds, Cranleybeg, Edgeworthstown, on Sunday next, 13th, starting at 12.00 noon.
- ✘ Contributions to the Monthly Collection for April, this weekend, please.
- ✘ **Recent collection totals:-**
Sunday last **€506.00.**
Monthly Collection, March, **€692.00.** Thank you very much.
- ✘ **Masses for the Dead:-**
Saturday 5th, 8.00 p.m., T.J., Tom & Brigid and James Hevehan, Clonmee.
Sunday 6th, 10.30 a.m., Maura Donlon, Derryshannoge.
Monday 7th, 8.00 p.m., Ellen Casey and deceased members of
the Casey Family, Cormaglava.
Saturday 12th, 8.00 p.m., Mgr. Gerard Brennan, Diocese of Paisley, Scotland,
and formerly of Lismagawley, Month’s Mind.
Sunday 13th, 10.30 a.m., Thomas Skelly, Ballagh.
Please pray for Bernard Farrell, Killenure Nurseries, Ballybrittas, Co. Laois, and formerly of Carrowbeg, who died on Wednesday, 2nd April.