



“Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which he looks compassion on this world. Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good. Yours are the hands through which he blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are his body. Christ has no body now on earth but yours.” St. Teresa of Ávila.

- ✠ **Mass** on Saturday (Vigil), 8.00 p.m.; Sunday, 10.30 a.m.; Monday and Friday, 8.00 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 9.30 a.m.
- ✠ **Mass for the Intentions of the People of the Parish, *Missa pro Populo***, on Friday 12th, Feast of the Sacred Heart, at 8.00 p.m.
 Sunday 7th, is the Feast of St. Colman. He founded a monastery at Dromore, Co. Down, on the River Lagan, in 514. Patron of the Diocese of Dromore.
 Tuesday 9th, **St. Colmcille**, Secondary Patron of Ireland, 521-597. Born at Gartan, Co. Donegal, he founded monasteries at Derry, Durrow and Kells. He took sides in conflict between chieftains and the High King, and as penance for his involvement went into exile on the Island of Iona. The monastery he established on Iona became his principal foundation.
 Tuesday 9th, St. Ephrem, 306-373, native of Syria, founded the School of Theology at Edessa, lived a life of asceticism but also preached; played a leading role in promoting the use of hymns in public worship.
 Thursday 11th, St. Barnabas, Apostle, native of Cyprus, originally named Joseph, the apostles called him Barnabas which means ‘son of encouragement’. He accompanied St. Paul on his missionary journeys.
 Friday 12th, **The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**, a celebration of the immense love of God for us, revealed in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.
 Saturday 13th, **The Immaculate Heart of Mary**. This feast celebrates Mary’s instinctive, maternal relationship with her Son in his work of salvation.
 Saturday 13th, St. Anthony of Padua, 1195-1231, Franciscan, native of Portugal, preached against heresy. He is invoked in the search for lost items.
- ✠ **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** continues on Wednesdays, 4.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.
- ✠ **Cemetery Sundays:-** Saints’ Island Cemetery, 23rd August; Cashel Cemetery, 30th August. Mass and Prayers for the Dead, 6.00 p.m.
- ✠ **Pattern Day** will be celebrated at Lady Well, Derrydarragh, on Saturday, 5th September. Mass follows the recitation of the Rosary at 6.00 p.m.

- ✠ **Altar Servers.** A meeting of parents of all Altar Servers, including new recruits from 4th class, will be held in the Church on Tuesday 9th, at 8.00 p.m. The meeting is in relation to Child Safe-guarding. It is important that each server be represented by at least one parent. Patricia Farrell, designated Child Safeguarding Person, will attend.
- ✠ **The School Board of Management** will meet in the School on Wednesday 10th, at 8.00 p.m.
- ✠ Items for inclusion in the **Newsletter** by midday on Thursday, please.
- ✠ **Tracing Roots? Compiling a Family Tree?** Longford Roots, Longford Genealogy and Heritage Centre, First Floor, 17 Dublin Street, Longford, Ireland. Research service. Computerised Church Records. For appointment, contact, **086 151 3152**. E-mail, longroot@iol.ie Website, www.longfordroots.com
 Parishioners who have visitors from abroad, particularly from the United States, are asked to inform them of the availability of this facility.
- ✠ **The Harvest Festival Committee** stage a Tractor Run on Sunday next, 14th, leaving Kenagh at 12.00 noon, arriving Newtowncashel, 1.00 p.m., approximately. Refreshments will be served in “The Local”. Entry fee, €20.00 per tractor. Proceeds to St. Christopher’s. It is hoped that many will come out to view the parade of vintage, classic and modern machines.
- ✠ **I.C.A.** On Tuesday last the Newtowncashel guild held their final meeting before the summer recess. Following a well attended and productive meeting the members retired to “The Local”. The ladies thank Gary and Síle Mulvihill for their attention and wish them well in their new venture. Newtowncashel I.C.A. will participate in a number of events during the summer months. Next meeting will take place in “The Hill” on Tuesday 1st September, at 8.00 p.m. New members will be welcome as always.
- ✠ **Tidy Towns.** A work evening will take place on Wednesday 10th. Members and volunteers are requested to bring appropriate implements and assemble at “The Hill”, 7.00 p.m.
- ✠ **A Rail Pop Up Sale**, in aid of the Samaritans, takes place in the Sheraton Hotel, Athlone on Sunday 14th. An opportunity to clear out and sell on numerous unworn and ‘pre loved’ items. €25.00 to display a rail. Booking is advised. Contact:- 086 327 6584 or 087 679 8322. Admission is free for those who simply wish to browse.
- ✠ **Tax Reclaim** forms were dispatched on 12th May. The majority of the forms have already been returned. Our thanks those who responded so promptly and spontaneously. The early return of outstanding papers would be appreciated as all certificates must be on file before the parish claim can be submitted. The wider scope of the scheme in its revised format means that the potential benefit to the parish is significantly increased.
- ✠ Contributions to the **Monthly Collection** for June, this weekend, please.
- ✠ Recent collection totals:- Sunday last **€412.00.**
 Monthly Collection, May, **€617.00.** Thank you very much.
- ✠ **Masses for the Dead:-**
 Saturday 6th June, 8.00 p.m., Deceased members of the Shea Family, Clonmee.
 Sunday 7th, 10.30 a.m., Deceased members of the Murray Family, Claras.
 Saturday 13th, 8.00 p.m., John and Brigid Mulvihill, Pollagh.
 Sunday 14th, 10.30 a.m., William, Teresa and Harry Costello,
 and deceased members of the Costello Family, Cleraun.
 Please pray for Seán Cahill, retired National Teacher, Tarmonbarry, who died on 28th May. He was Principal of St. Mary’s N.S., Newtowncashel, from 1974 to 1976.