

PARISH OF CASHEL NEWSLETTER 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME /C STH SEPTEMBER 2019 FR. MERLYN KENNY-0860603433





Mass Times & Masses for the dead as follows :

Sat 7th Sept 8.00pm Patrick Brennan Jnr., Derrygowna.

8th Sept 11.00am Lady's Well-Thomas, Hannah,

Seán & Anthony Fagan & D.F.M

Mon 9th Sept 8.00pm Annie Forde & D.F.M of The Skelly Family, Portanure.

Tues 10th Sept 8.00pm Special Intention.

Wed 11th Sept No Mass.

Thurs 12th Sept 9.30am Fri 13th Sept 8.00pm

Sun

Sat 14th Sept 8.00pm Jimmy Farrell, Derrahaun. (Month's Mind).

Sun 15th Sept 10.30am

Please note Eucharistic Ministers will go down to the seats to bring Holy

Communion to anyone who does not wish to come forward.

Please raise your hand for them.

Rosary resumes this weekend on Saturday before Mass at 7.40pm.

Eucharistic Adoration on Wednesday 3pm-9pm and Friday 8.30-9pm.

Eucharistic Ministers:

8.00pm Sat 14th Sept Liz Hanley & Caroline Murtagh.

10.30am Sun 15th Sept Brendan Bannon & Margaret Boyce.

Readers:

8.00pm Sat 14th Sept Martin Skelly.

10.30am Sun 15th Sept Brid Sweeney.

Stations: For Station Mass please contact me on 086 0603433.

First Friday calls with be made on Thursday and Friday of this week.

St. Mary's N.S. Clothing Recycling: 27th September 2019. Bags of unwantred clothes, footwear etc (dry and clean) can be left in staff car park or P.E. shed before 9:30 a.m. This is a valuable fundraiser and we appreciate your continued support.

Longford Pro-Life meeting at John Browne's Pub, Market Square, Longford town on Thursday, 19th of September at 8.30pm. For enquiries call Edward on 089 4634558. Please get involved, we need your help. Banagher /Offaly Fatima Pilgrimage 10° October - 7 nights ex Dublin for Miracle of the Sun. Mass in Santarem where the bleeding host took place and Prayers, Mass and Hungarian Stations of the Cross in Fatima. Also Trip to Seaside and Tour of Lisbon Contact James Treacy 086-0572216.

Two young men were travelling along a road when one of them noticed something in the grass margin by the side of the road. He picked it up and they were both surprised to discover that it was a rather elegant looking purse filled with valuables.

"Oh, what a lucky day for me!" he said. "I have come upon a treasure of gems and gold."

"Do not say Thave found a treasure," said his companion.

"Rather, say 'We' have found a purse and 'how lucky "We" are.

Travellers ought to share alike the *fortunes* or *misfortunes* of the road."
"No, no," disagreed the other angrily. "I found the purse, so it is me *alone* who is going to keep it."

As the two men were arguing over the ownership of the fortune, they heard a shout: "Thief! Thief! Stop the vagabond!".

When the men looked over their shoulders they were horrified to see mob armed with clubs angrily coming down the road.

The man with the purse fell into a panic.

"We are in trouble if they find the purse on us," he cried.

"No, no," replied the other, "You did not say 'we' when you experienced good fortune ... so now stick to your T. Say 'I am in trouble.' Don't try to share your misfortune now ... when you were not ready to share your good fortune earlier"

Moral: We cannot expect anyone to shower us with compassion in our time of misfortune unless we are willing to share our times of good fortune with them also. This little anecdote unlocks the meaning of Jesus Gospel today for us: "Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple". Jesus is teaching us that in order to share in the great graces He wants to give us ... we must be prepared to share His Cross with Him first. The simple meaning, then, of Jesus' statement in Luke 14:26 is that a

first. The simple meaning, then, of Jesus' statement in Luke 14:26 is that a person must be willing to stand firm in their faith in Jesus even if family members try to hinder them from following and obeying Christ. And blessed is the one who puts service to Jesus above all else.

- St. Catherine of Sienna, one of the greatest saints of all time, tells us that this

is an essential factor in whether The Lord can answer our prayers or not.

Christians must be ready to lose out in the short term to win in the long term.