

Parish of Cashel

CHURCH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN, NEWTOWNCASHEL

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THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

LÆAETARE SUNDAY

10th March, 2013

Rembrandt's "Return of the Prodigal Son", 1662. Notice the father's hands. The left is broad and masculine, while the right is slender and feminine, a detail worth noting on Mothers Day.

- Mass on Saturday (Vigil), 8.00 p.m.; Sunday, 10.30 a.m.; Monday and Friday, 8.00 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 7.00 a.m.
- Mass for the Intentions of the People of the Parish, Missa pro Populo, on Thursday 14th at 7.00 a.m.
- № Sunday 10th is the Feast of St. John Ogilvie, Jesuit, 1579-1615, Scotland, a convert to Catholicism, preached in disguise in Glasgow because of the restrictions of the time, betrayed and hanged; canonised 1976.
 - Monday 11th, St. Aengus, Clonenagh, Co. Laois. Abbot and bishop. Died 830.
- ▼ Teen Mass. Teenagers are the main participants in this Sunday's Mass. They will present the parable of the Prodigal Son in drama. All are welcome.
- **Lenten Masses**. During Lent, Mass is celebrated at 7.00 a.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Everyone welcome.
- **▼** The Stations of the Cross □ on the Fridays of Lent at 30 p.m. All are urged to make a special effort to participate in this traditional devotion.
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues on Wednesdays from 3.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. There are vacancies for several more participants.
- ▼ The **Confessions** of pupils attending St. Mary's National School will be heard in the School, on Monday 11th and Thursday 14th, at 11.15 a.m.
- ▶ St. Mary's N.S. Enrolment for September 2013, takes place from 11th to 22nd March. Enrolment packs can be collected from the school and relevant forms returned during this period.
- ⚠ On St. Patrick's Day and next weekend **Emigrants** are remembered in a special way. Between April 2011 and April 2012 87,000 people left our shores. Over half of them, 46,500, were Irish nationals.

- ▼ Talks for the Year of Faith. The third of four talks will be given in the Pastoral Centre, St. Mel's College, Longford, on Thursday 14th, at 8.00 p.m. The topic, 'Faith in Ireland', the speaker, Fr. Tom Murray, Longford Historical Society. Fr. Murray, an experienced historian, invites us, as part of our St. Patrick Day celebrations, 2013, to revisit the story of the Christian Faith in Ireland. All are welcome.
- **The Parish Pastoral Council** will meet in "The Hill" on Wednesday 20th, at 8.30 p.m. The business of the meeting includes the distribution of financial acknowledgements for the year 2012.
- ₱ Pioneer Outing. Carrickedmond P.T.A.A. are considering a tour on a Sunday in July to visit the Titanic Exhibition in Belfast. Those who are interested are asked to contact any of the following telephone numbers:- 087 646 6075, 087 697 4775, 044 935 7442, 044 935 7582, not later than 5th April. The tour is open to non-members of the P.T.A.A. Cashel Pioneers will join forces with Carrickedmond for this outing.
- ⚠ Cashel G.A.A. Club hold a Presentation Function in "The Peer Inn", Lisnacusha, on St. Patrick's Night. The Intermediate team will be presented with their medals as winners of the Michael Moran Cup Tournament Final. A presentation will also be made to Garda Noel Egan following the closure of Newtowncashel Garda Station. This is a token of appreciation for his involvement with the Club in various ways while he was stationed in the Parish. Support for this function will be much appreciated.
- Harvest Festival. It has been proposed that Newtowncashel host the Annual Longford Harvest Festival in August or September, 2013. The event features working displays of vintage machinery, horse and tractor, with associated demonstrations and activities. A meeting to discuss the feasibility of holding the Harvest Festival in Newtowncashel will take place in Fallon's Pub, on Tuesday 12th, at 9.00 p.m. All who are interested are asked to attend the meeting.
- ★ Contributions to the Lenten Alms, this weekend, please.
- ★ Thank you for last Sunday's collection €556.00.

Saturday 9th, 8.00 p.m., Paddy Hopkins, Drumnee and Manchester.

Sunday 10th, 10.30 a.m., David and Michael Dowd,

and deceased members of the Dowd Family, Aughnacross.

Monday 11th, 8.00 p.m., Brian Ganly, Portanure.

Friday 15th, 8.00 p.m., Maura Casey, Cornadough.

Saturday 16th, 8.00 p.m., John, Kate and Mary Shanley, Derrygowna, and Kathleen Gibney, Navan.

Sunday 17th, 10.30 a.m., Brian, Brigid and Robert Mulvihill, Claras.

Please pray for Séamus Greene, Athlone Road, Longford, and formerly of Greenhall Lower, who died on Sunday last.

Happy Mothers Day to All Mothers