

# Parish of Cashel

CHURCH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN, NEWTOWNCASHEL

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## THE THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Jesus assures us, in the Gospel, that remembering the dead is not empty or meaningless. He reminds us again that death is not the end. We believe in a "God, not of the dead but of the living".

- ✠ **Mass** on Saturday (Vigil), 8.00 p.m.; Sunday, 10.30 a.m.; Monday and Friday, 8.00 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 9.30 a.m.
- ✠ Sunday 10th is the Feast of St. Leo the Great, Pope, renowned teacher, died 461.  
Monday 11th, St. Martin of Tours, 335-397, apostle of rural France.  
Tuesday 12th, St. Josaphat, 1580-1623, worked for Catholic unity in Ukraine.  
Wednesday 13th, St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, 1850-1917, founded the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart, went to New York to work with needy Italian immigrants. In 1946 she became the first U.S. citizen to be canonised.  
Thursday 14th, St. Laurence O'Toole, 1128-1180, Abbot of Glendalough, Archbishop of Dublin and a patron of that diocese.  
Friday 15th, St. Albert the Great, 1206-1280, Dominican theologian, patron of scientists.  
Saturday 16th, St. Margaret of Scotland, 1045-1093, influenced reform in the Church.  
Saturday 16th, St. Gertrude, 1256-1302, promoted devotion to the Sacred Heart, patron saint of the West Indies.
- ✠ **St. Mary's National School.** Fr. Michael McGrath, Diocesan Adviser in Religious Education, Primary, visited St. Mary's School on Thursday. He was pleased and indeed impressed by the very high standard of religion teaching in the school and by the ethos which pervades the campus. To all at St. Mary's we say Well Done!
- ✠ **Getting married in 2014:** There are still some spaces available on the ACCORD Pre-Marriage Course: 2nd and 5th December, 2013. This course runs over 2 evenings from 6.00 – 10.30. For further information contact ACCORD ☎ 043 334 7222 or book any of the 2014 courses on-line at [www.accord.ie](http://www.accord.ie).
- ✠ **Newtowncashel Defibrillator Group** hold their Annual General Meeting at 8.00 p.m., on Wednesday 13th, in the G.A.A. clubhouse. Support would much appreciated.
- ✠ **Co. Longford Citizens' Information Service (CIS)** holds a "Pensions Clinic" on Tuesdays, from 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m., specifically for the purpose of assisting people with social insurance records to establish their pension eligibility and entitlement. To make an appointment contact Co. Longford CIS, ☎ 076 107 5890.

## PARISH CENSUS OCTOBER 2013 2006

Total Population of the Parish .....	796	821
Total Roman Catholic Population .....	737	788
Average Weekend Mass Attendance .....	261	
Total Non-Roman Catholic Population .....	59	33
Total Population of Other Nationalities .....	16	5
Number of Pre-Primary School Children .....	51	50
Number of Primary School Children .....	89	61
Number of Post-Primary School Pupils .....	36	68
Number of Third Level Students .....	30	40
Number of Households in the Parish .....	319	302
Number of Vacant Houses .....	79	64
Number of Houses Under Construction .....	7	22

- ✠ We thank the members of the Parish Pastoral Council for compiling the census statistics. The figure for Practising Catholics is probably optimistic and is influenced by the definition and the criteria used by individual Pastoral Council members in calculating their figures. Results of a survey of actual attendance at Mass, taken during October, will be available next weekend.
- ✠ The church gate collection for the **Pioneer Total Abstinence Association** realised €400.00. The organisers thank the collectors and all who contributed so generously. A donation of €200.00 has been made to the Pioneer Central Office which is still struggling financially.
- ✠ Contributions to the **Heating Collection** are due next weekend, please. It now costs almost €2,000.00 to fill the tank!
- ✠ **Trócaire appeal for Syria.** Donations may be given next weekend in plain envelopes marked 'Trócaire'.
- ✠ Recent collection totals:-  
The Feast of All Saints.....€240.00.  
Sunday last.....€790.00.      Thank you very much.
- ✠ **Masses for the Dead:-**  
Saturday 9th, 8.00 p.m., Brigid Smyth, Cornadough, month's mind.  
Sunday 10th, 10.30 a.m., Rose Slevin, first anniversary, Frank Slevin Senr., Frank Slevin Jnr., Cornadough, and Frances Campbell, Nuneaton, Warwickshire.  
Monday 11th, 8.00 p.m., Pat, Molly and Annie Forde and deceased members of the Forde Family, Forthill.  
Tuesday 12th, 9.30 a.m., Deceased parishioners, relatives and friends.  
Thursday 14th, 9.30 a.m., Deceased Parishioners of Cashel, at the request of the late Michael J. Hanley, New York.  
Friday 15th, 8.00 p.m., Deceased members of the Kenny, Gallagher and Moughty families, New Row, Donegal and Ballinahinch.  
Saturday 16th, 8.00 p.m., Brendan Bawle, Loughawn, month's mind.  
Sunday 17th, 10.30 a.m., Michael & Annie McArdle, Cormaglava.  
**Mass for Deceased Staff Members of E.S.B., Lanesboro,** will be celebrated in the Sports and Social Club House, on Wednesday 13th, at 8.00 p.m. Lanesboro staff, past and present, and family members of deceased staff, are welcome.