



Parish of Cashel

CHURCH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN, NEWTOWNCASHEL

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THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY

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“You will be my witnesses to the ends of the earth.”

- ✘ **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 Tuesday 14th, at 9.30 a.m.
- ✘ Sunday 12th is the Feast of Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Roman soldiers martyred in 304. Sunday 12th, St. Pancras, a boy of 14 who suffered martyrdom at the same time as Sts. Nereus and Achilleus. A parish and a major railway station in London bear his name. St. Pancras International Railway Station is the London terminus of the Eurostar rail service.
Monday 13th, Our Lady of Fatima. The Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to three children, Francisco, Jacinta and Lucia, near Fatima, Portugal, on six occasions in 1917.
Tuesday 14th, St. Matthias, Apostle, chosen to replace Judas. Preached in Judea and Turkey.
Wednesday 15th, St. Carthage, born Co. Kerry, 555, founded monasteries at Rahan Co. Offaly and at Lismore. Died 14th May, 637. First Bishop and Patron of Lismore.
Wednesday 15th, St. Dymphna, 7th century, born in Ireland, martyred at Gheel in Belgium, patron saint of those who suffer from mental illnesses.
Thursday 16th, St. Brendan, 486-578, a native of Kerry he founded a monastery at Clonfert and is patron of that diocese.
Saturday 18th, St. John I, the first Pope to visit Constantinople, died in prison, 526.
- ✘ Sunday next is **Pentecost Sunday**.
- ✘ Sunday next, 19th, is also **First Communion Day**. Ten children will receive the Blessed Eucharist for the first time. The Mass at 12.00 noon replaces the scheduled Sunday Mass.
- ✘ **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** takes place on Wednesdays, 3.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m.
- ✘ Recitation of the **Rosary** continues on Fridays at 7.30 p.m. until the end of the month. All are invited to make a special effort to attend the Rosary during the month of May.
- ✘ The next **Teen Mass** is on Saturday, 1st June, The Feast of *Corpus Christi*, The Body and Blood of Christ. The focus will be on examinations. It is hoped that exam students, in particular, will participate. A preparatory meeting will be held in the Church on Tuesday 14th, at 8.00 p.m.

- ✘ **Bright Lights Festival**, 26th to 30th July, 2013. This event will be held in Kent, England, to coincide with World Youth Day, WYDRio2013, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The festival is intended to capture the flavour of Rio! Contact: info@aym.ie or 090 647 3358.

The Pope John Paul II Awards will be launched in St. Mary's Hall, Athlone, at 12.00 noon, on Tuesday, 21st May.

- ✘ **ACCORD**. There are still some spaces available on the **ACCORD** pre-marriage course on Friday 14th and Saturday 15th June, 2013. For further information contact **ACCORD** 043 334 7222 or book on-line www.accord.ie.
- ✘ **A Tidy Towns** work evening will be held on Wednesday 15th. Volunteers are asked to bring appropriate implements and assemble at “The Hill”, 7.00 p.m. First adjudication is just a few weeks away, adding an element of urgency to the effort.
- ✘ **‘Bloom in the Park’** is Ireland's largest gardening event and takes place in the Phoenix Park, Dublin, over the June bank holiday weekend. Newtowncashel Guild I.C.A. is arranging a bus to Bloom in the Park on Thursday, 30th May. All-in fare and entrance to the event, €25.00. Contact Helen O'Shea, 085 710 1053.
- ✘ **The Tidy Towns Walk** grossed €1,528.00. Winners of Highest Sponsorship, Primary Participants, Phone credit prizes:- €40.00, Abaigh Smyth Curley; €20.00, Conor Skelly; €10.00, Mark Brehon. Adult and U-16 prize-winners: Conor Flood, Ann Farrell, (Clonmee), Fiona Farrell, Mary Casey, Mary Casey, (Clonmee), Teresa Farrell, Seán Mulvihill, Liz Hanley, Brendan Bannon, Bridge Mulvihill.
- ✘ **Recent Fundraisers**. Choir event, Newtowncashel collection, **€500.00**. Parents' Association table quiz, **€2,000.00**. Harvest Festival table quiz, **€1,150.00**.
- ✘ **The Pentecost Dues** may be handed in next weekend, please.
- ✘ Thank you for last Sunday's collection, **€673.00**.
- ✘ **Masses for the Dead:-**
Saturday 11th, 8.00 p.m., Joseph Farrell, Blanchardstown and Ballina;
John & Frances Farrell, Ballina.
Sunday 12th, 10.30 a.m., John & Brigid Mulvihill, Pollagh.
Monday 13th, 8.00 p.m., Michael Healy and deceased members of the
Healy Family, Pollagh.
Friday 17th, 8.00 p.m., Patrick & Christina Skelly, Curroole.
Saturday 18th, 8.00 p.m., Brigid Farrell, Clonmee, month's mind.
Please pray for Sr. Columba Farrell R.S.M., Trim, Co. Meath, and formerly of Clonmee, who died on Thursday 9th. Born Kathleen Ellen Farrell on 7th September, 1920, Sr. Columba entered the Convent of Mercy, Trim, on 29th September, 1939. Having trained as a national teacher she taught in the convent school. In 1956 she and three other sisters answered the invitation to establish a parochial school in Berlin, New Jersey. After eight years Sr. Columba was recalled to take over as Principal of Mercy Primary School, Trim, a position she held until retirement in 1986. Her remaining years were devoted to pastoral work and parish projects. *‘Sent to bring the Good News to the poor.’*