

CASHEL CHURCH ACCOUNT RECEIPTS/EXPENDITURE 2013

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Account Bal. 01.01.13.... 65,913.18 CR	
Offertory Collection39,186.00	Wages, gratuities, etc.2,320.00
Shrine.....1,447.00	Oil and Electricity8,177.86
Heating Collection2,520.00	Insurances8,369.21
Letting of Land3,440.50	Altar Supplies.....1,513.54
Outside Collections4,385.00	Missalettes/Newsletter.....1,654.08
Monthly Collection.....9,161.50	Repairs & Maintenance3,359.46
Tax Reclaim.....5,570.64	Bank Charges.....351.15
Donations1,360.00	Office & Phone.....1,892.51
	Levies to Diocese.....3,940.00
	Sick & Retired Priests1,576.00
	Outside Collections.....4,615.00
	Hospitality1,096.60
	Miscellaneous1,132.46
	Toilets: Percolation, etc ..22,927.50
	Toilets: Construction36,361.96
	Farm1,290.00
	Account Bal. 31.12.1332,406.49 CR
€132,983.82	€132,983.82

SUMMARY 2013

Receipts	€67,070.64.
Expenditure	€100,577.33.
Recurring expenses ...	€39,635.32.
Non-recurring	€60,942.01.

- ✠ “The Hill”, 2013. Income: **€4,536.72**. Expenditure: **€2,851.64**. Surplus: **€1,685.08**. While revised charges have stabilized hall finances very low maintenance costs and substantial subvention from the Church were significant factors in the end of year surplus.
- ✠ **Missing key.** The key to the emergency exit at “The Hill” has been taken from its holder. The immediate return of the key would be appreciated.
- ✠ **Ploughing.** The 80th annual County Longford Ploughing Championships will be held on the farm of James and Harry Reynolds, Cranleybeg, Edgeworthstown, this Sunday, 13th, commencing at 12.00 noon.
- ✠ **Newtowncashel Tidy Towns Annual Sponsored Nature Walk** takes place on Bank Holiday Monday, 5th May. Sponsorship cards are available from committee members.
- ✠ The **TRÓCAIRE** collection will be taken up during the ceremonies on Good Friday. Family fast boxes may also be returned on Holy Thursday. Please change coin into notes and €2 or €1 coins.
- ✠ **The Easter Dues** should be handed in next weekend, please.
- ✠ Recent collection totals:- **Sunday last.....€640.00.**
Shrove Dues ...€2,836.00. Thank you very much.

Parish of Cashel

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PALM SUNDAY

13th April, 2014



If we live as friends of Jesus we are called to be with him today, Palm Sunday, but we are also called to be with him on Good Friday. The cost of our friendship with Jesus is Good Friday. For friends of Jesus there is no ring road around Calvary. Friends of Jesus are not found in the crowd of public opinion. It's easy to be part of a crowd.. It is easy to support a winner. This week reveals that neither is important. What matters is that we faithfully live our friendship with Jesus today and Good Friday and everyday, aware that in the eyes of the world, the hero today may well be treated as a criminal on Friday. That's exactly what happened to Jesus. Fr. Paul Farren, Diocese of Derry.

*O Jesus, who for love of me
didst bear thy cross to calvary,
in thy sweet mercy grant to me
to suffer and to die with thee.*

*Holy Mother pierce me through,
in my heart each wound renew
of my Saviour crucified.*

*Save us, Saviour of the world,
for by your Cross and Resurrection
you have set us free.*



- ✚ **Mass** on; Tuesday and Wednesday, 7.00 a.m.
- ✚ Just two early mornings remain in the Lenten campaign! A full turnout is anticipated on Tuesday and Wednesday.
- ✚ Our thanks Thomas Casey who supplied the palm used in today's ceremony.
- ✚ **Mass for the Intentions of the People of the Parish**, on Tuesday, 15th, at 7.00 a.m. and on Easter Sunday, at 10.30 a.m.
- ✚ **Confessions**, in preparation for the Easter Triduum, in Newtowncashel on Monday 14th, at 8.00 p.m. and in St. Mary's Church, Lanesboro, on Wednesday 16th at 7.30 p.m. Visiting confessors will attend in both instances. Those who wish to go to Confession for Easter are urged to avail of these opportunities.
Confessions also, if required, on Holy Thursday at 9.15 p.m., and on Good Friday, 8.30 p.m.
- ✚ **The Chrism Mass** will be celebrated in St. Mary's Church, Athlone, on Holy Thursday, 28th, at 11.00 a.m. All are welcome.
- ✚ **HOLY WEEK CEREMONIES:-**

Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper, 8.00 p.m. followed by procession to the Altar of Repose. Adoration in the South Transept (women's cross-house) until midnight - all who are free are invited to spend time in adoration. See roster of groups and organisations below.

The children for First Holy Communion and their parents will be among those participating in the Liturgy on Holy Thursday as part of their ongoing involvement in the "Do This in Memory" programme.

Good Friday is a day of Fast and Abstinence.

Celebration of the Lord's Passion, 3.00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross, 8.00 p.m.

Holy Saturday:- 9.00 p.m., Lighting of the Paschal Fire followed by the Easter Vigil. Non-drip candles will be available.

Easter Sunday; Celebration of The Resurrection, 10.30 a.m.

- ✚ **Holy Thursday; Adoration at the Altar of Repose:-**
9.30 - 10.00 p.m. Pioneers, Choir, Intellectual Disability Assoc., Sub-Aqua Club.
10.00 - 10.30 p.m. Drama Society, Church Collectors.
10.30 - 11.00 p.m. Readers, I.F.A. and I.C.A.
11.00 - 11.30 p.m. Gun Club and G.A.A.
11.30 - 12.00 midnight. Pastoral Council and Eucharistic Ministers.
 Please ensure that members of your organisation are present at the times specified. Persons who are members of the Wednesday roster are also invited to spend some time in adoration on Holy Thursday night.
- ✚ **Do make a special effort to attend the ceremonies, particularly the Easter Vigil.** During the reading of the Passion on Palm Sunday and Good Friday please participate in the crowd scenes - bold print on missalette.
- ✚ Sunday 13th is the feast of St. Martin I, the last pope venerated as a martyr. He died in 656 from harsh treatment in exile and in prison.
Wednesday 16th, St. Bernadette Soubirous, of Lourdes, 1844-1879. In 1858 she experienced eighteen apparitions of Our Lady. She achieved sanctity through her humble simplicity, her trust, and her patient endurance of much suffering.
Friday 18th, St. Laserian, Patron of the Diocese of Leighlin (Kildare and Leighlin). Died 639.
- ✚ **An Altar Servers'** practice for Holy Week will be held in the Church on Tuesday 15th at 5.00 p.m. All servers who are to be involved in the ceremonies are asked to attend.
- ✚ **A Junior Choir** practice will be held in the church on Good Friday following the 3.00 p.m. ceremonies. All members are asked to be present.
- ✚ **The Senior Choir** will hold a practice in the church on Wednesday 16th at 8.00 p.m. All members, please.
- ✚ **Baptism.** Sophie Ava Hanniffy, Loughfarm, daughter of Damien Hanniffey and Lena Conlon, was welcomed into the Christian community on Sunday 6th April.
- ✚ **Eucharistic Ministers.** Training for new recruits will take place on Friday, 9th May, at 8.30 p.m. Venue to be decided. The course will also serve as a refresher for existing ministers.
- ✚ **Congratulations to**
 Janet Melia and Enda Kenny
 who were married on Friday, 11th April.
- ✚ **The Newsletter** will not be published on 26th/27th April. Items relating to the fortnight 21st to 4th May should be submitted by midday on Holy Thursday for inclusion in next weekend's issue.
- ✚ **Masses for the Dead:-**
Saturday 12th, 8.00 p.m., Mgr. Gerard Brennan, Diocese of Paisley, Scotland, and formerly of Lismagawley, Month's Mind.
Sunday 13th, 10.30 a.m., Thomas Skelly, Ballagh.

