



**PARISH OF CASHEL NEWSLETTER**  
**THIRTY – THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**13th November 2016**

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Dear Lord, You love me in my brokenness,  
You bless me and you hear my prayers,  
your grace surrounds me and lifts me up.



**Mass Times as follows:**

Saturday Vigil Mass: 8pm. Sunday: 10.30am. Monday and Friday 8pm.  
Tuesday & Thursday at 9.30am. No Mass on Wednesday.

**Masses for the Dead:**

Sat	12th Nov	8.00pm	Patrick & Margaret Mulvihill, Loughfarm.
Sun	13th Nov	10.30am	James, Margaret & Tom Murtagh, Derryhaun.
Mon	14th Nov	8.00pm	Deceased members of the Forde family, Forthill.
Tues	15th Nov	9.30am	Special Intention.
Thurs	17th Nov	9.30am	Special Intention.
Fri	18th Nov	8.00pm	
Sat	19th Nov	8.00pm	Peter Nolan (1st Anniv) & D.F.M. Carrickmoran.
Sun	20th Nov	10.30am	

**Offertory Collection 23rd Oct:** €800. Thank you for your generosity.

**November List of the Dead:** During this month we remember our families and friends who have gone to their rest. Please fill in names on sheets provided and drop them in the box at the altar. Mass will be offered each week for those who are included on the list.

**Midlands Simon Community** would like to express their thanks for your support with the Longford Church Gate Collection. The total amount raised in Newtowncashel was €130.

**E.S.B.** Mass for deceased members of staff of E.S.B. Lanesborough will be held in E.S.B. sports and social club house on Wednesday 16th November at 8p.m.

**November Dues** are due at this time. Thank you for your generosity.

**Eucharistic Minister's Roster:**

8.00pm	Sat	12th Nov.	Monica Farrell & Kathleen Clarke.
10.30am	Sun	13th Nov.	Oliver Costello & Teresa Farrell.
8.00pm	Sat	19th Nov.	Dylan Mulvihill & Helen O'Shea.
10.30am	Sun	20th Nov.	John Flood & Carmel Hopkins.

**The Ministry of Parish Catechist:** The role of the Catechist is to work alongside parish clergy, in particular with parents of candidates for the sacraments of First Holy Communion, Confirmation and also in other programmes and initiatives that help people of all ages to deepen their faith.

**The Permanent Diaconate:** The second initiative is the introduction of the Permanent Diaconate. From the earliest times the ministry of Deacon has been understood as a ministry of service in the Church. Along with priest and bishop, it is one of three holy orders of the Church. In the 1960's the second Vatican Council proposed the restoration of the Diaconate and, in 2006, the Holy See agreed to a request from the Irish bishops for it's restoration in Ireland.

*Full text is available at the exits of the Church. Please take home a copy to read, reflect and respond.*

**Pain Passes. Beauty remains.**

*Author Unknown.*

Several years ago during a very difficult time in my life a friend shared this story with me: When French impressionist painter Auguste Renoir was confined to his home during the last decade of his life, Henri Matisse was nearly 28 years younger than him. The two great artists were dear friends and frequent companions. Matisse visited him daily. Renour, almost paralyzed by arthritis, continued to paint in spite of his infirmities. One day as Matisse watched the elder painter work in his studio, fighting torturous pain with each brush stroke, he blurted out: "Auguste, why do you continue to paint when you are in such agony. Renoir said: "The pain passes but the beauty remains." Those words touched my heart in a profound way as I realized that my pain, in the hands of God, was producing a beautiful brokenness. I have never viewed suffering in the same light since then. "The Lord is near to those who have a broken heart, and saves such as have a contrite spirit." Psalm 34:18

"The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, a broken and contrite heart - these O God, you will not despise." Palm 51:17

If brokenness brings the nearness of God, why do we fight against it so much? This pain is not a master sent to rule over us, but our servant, sent to work in us that wonderful work of conforming us to Christ.

How significant our pain will be when we see it as the hand of the Potter, gently sculpting, meticulously crafting a vessel of honor fit for the Master's use. Those scarred and broken places in my soul, they are covered with his fingerprints.

*The pain passes, but the beauty remains.*