



PARISH OF CASHEL NEWSLETTER Fr. Merlyn Kenny Tel: 086 0603433 6th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year B 14-02-21









Mass Intentions

Sat 13th Feb 8.00pm: Anne & Michael Healy & son James, Pollagh.

Sun 14th Feb 10.30am: John & Teresa Finnegan, Cormaglava.

Mon 15th Feb 8.00pm: Harry & Nan Farrell, Clonmee.

Tues 16th Feb 8.00pm: Tom Casey, Cornadough. (1st Anniv).

Wed 17th Feb 10.30am. Ash Wednesday-Special Intention. No evening Mass.

Thurs 18th Feb 8.00pm: Special Intention.

Fri 19th Feb 8.00pm: Tom & Mary Ellen Delaney, Carrowbeg.

Sat 20th Feb 8.00pm: John Donlon & son Dermot & D.F.M. Derrahaun.

Sun 21st Feb 10.30am: Special Intention.

Please note: Mass is now on Webcam — Search for Churchtv.ie ... Then Click on Longford ... then Newtowncashel ... and finally Click on the picture of the Church. Younger family members might like to assist seniors.

Please note: the first two rows of seating are on Webcam.

Lotto draw held on Monday 8th February. No's drawn 3, 4, 8 & 27. No jackpot winner. Draw winners: €30 €5 envelopes to Emily Farrell, Clonmee; €30 to Gary Toher, Clondra; €20 each to Pauric Donlon, Derryshannogue and Maranna Casey, Elfeet. Next weeks draw will be held on Monday 15th February at 9pm and the jackpot is €2,300. Thanks for your support.

St. Mary's N.S. Enrolment for September 2021, takes place from Wednesday 3rd February to Wednesday 17° February 2021. If you require an Enrolment pack/s please contact the school at newtownc1@gmail.com or by phone on 0863015587 and it will be posted to you. Completed forms to be returned by post to the school.

Ash Wednesday & Lent: Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. Mass will be streamed online from Cashel Church on Wednesday at 10.30am. Masses for Lent will be offered at 8pm during the week as has been happening during Covid. A small envelope with Blessed Ashes from the morning Mass on Ash Wednesday can be picked up at the back of the Church after 10.30am Mass. On the Envelope will be printed a short ritual for the home. Ash Wednesday is also a day of fast and abstinence. Prayer, fasting and almsgiving are the three main elements of our Lenten journey. Trócaire Boxes are available for pick up in the porch of the Church.

Level 5 Covid-19 Government Regulations: Sacraments and devotions: All other ceremonies cease for the duration of Level Five including Baptism and the Sacrament of Penance. Funerals: With effect from 24th December up to 10 mourners may attend at a funeral service. Weddings: From Sunday 3rd January 2021 the number of guests permitted to attend is reduced to 6.

Anointing of the sick may take place when invited by the family and taking all the necessary precautions of hand sanitising, social distancing, face covering and anointing with a cotton bud. First Friday calls not to take place under Level 5.

Reflection:

In January 1993, four executives of a rental-car franchise in Florida were convicted and jailed for defrauding at least 47,000 customers using a *salami technique*. This is an old trick beloved of fraudsters - the con-artist adds on tiny amounts to the bills of large numbers of clients ... so small - the individual doesn't notice ... but it builds up to substantial gains over a long period of time. The federal grand jury in Fort Lauderdale claimed that the defendants modified a computer billing program to add five extra gallons to the actual gas tank capacity of their vehicles. From 1988 through 1991, every customer who returned a car without topping up the tank ended up paying inflated rates for an inflated total of gasoline. Most of the customers were charged as little as \$2 extra.

<u>Moral</u>: The poor leper was totally sincere ...there was no <u>salami effect</u> there ... but most people do not come to Jesus without holding something back ... that's the spiritual secret of today's Gospel.

A little boy, named Tiziano, was playing outside his home with his cousins in Las Talitas in the Argentine province of Tucuman on December 31st 2020 around 10 pm when a stray bullet hit him in the chest.

Tiziano, in conversation with local media, said that he felt a sharp pain in his chest and then saw a bullet lying on the ground next to him. The boy was rushed to hospital for examination where the doctors confirmed that the bullet had just grazed him, leaving him with superficial injuries which were treated in an hour.

Later, his aunt found his crucifix necklace with a hole in the middle. The necklace was gifted to Tiziano by his father David, 36.

The police report states that a 9-year-old boy Tiziano from Las Talitas checked in with his father into the ER of Baby Jesus Hospital with a superficial wound in thorax produced by a firearm. He was thoroughly checked for 48 minutes and then discharged. The necklace has a perfect round hole in the middle as a result of the stray bullet it took. Pictures of crucifix and the bullet are being shared widely on the social media.



Moral: Jesus is still working miracles today for those who believe in Him totally like the poor leper.