



- ✘ **Mass** on Saturday (Vigil), 8.00 p.m.; Sunday, 10.30 a.m.; Monday, 8.00 p.m.; Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 9.30 a.m.
- ✘ **Mass for the Intentions of the People of the Parish**, *Missa pro Populo*, Monday 15th, 8.00 p.m.
- ✘ **Monday, 15th**, is the Feast of **Our Lady of Sorrows**. Mary suffered intensely with her Son and united herself to his sacrifice.
Tuesday 16th, St. Cornelius. He became Pope in 251 at a time when the Church was deeply divided, and died in exile 253. Patron saint of livestock and domestic animals.
Tuesday 16th, St. Cyprian, 210-258, Bishop of Carthage, North Africa, teacher, preacher and martyr. Patron saint of Algeria and North Africa.
Wednesday 17th, St. Robert Bellarmine, 1542-1621, Jesuit cardinal, a leading theologian in the debate between Roman Catholicism and emerging Protestantism, canonised 1930.
Thursday 18th, St. Joseph of Cupertino, 1603-1663, Italian priest, as a child he was regarded as slow-witted, he is invoked during examinations.
Friday 19th, St. Januarius, a bishop martyred with six companions at Naples during the persecution of the emperor Diocletian.
Saturday, 20th, The Korean Martyrs, a priest, a catechist and 101 others were martyred during the persecutions of the Church in Korea, 1839-1867.
- ✘ **This Sunday, 14th**, is **Pattern Day at Clonmacnois**. Devotions and Mass at 3.00 p.m. Bishop Francis Duffy is Principal Celebrant and Preacher.
- ✘ **Parish Mission**. The Mission proper is now a mere two weeks away! Pastoral Council members will distribute publicity material this week. Members of the Vincentian 'Ember' Team are to speak at Masses on Saturday and Sunday next. They will commence house to house visitation on Monday 22nd.
- ✘ **The current Readers' Roster** expires next weekend, 20th/21st September. A revised list is being prepared. As always, new readers are welcome - names immediately, please.
- ✘ **Baptism**. Helena Ann Casey, daughter of Micheál and Lucy (Mao) Casey, Ballagh, was welcomed into the Christian community on 7th September.
- ✘ **Renewed thanks** to all who ensured that **Cemetery Sundays** and **Pattern Day at Lady Well** were special yet again - those who assisted with maintenance and stewarding, neighbouring families, those who participated in the Liturgy and the very many people, young and not so young, who attended and prayed.



- ✘ **Diocesan Pioneer Meeting** will be held in Tealach Íosa (The McGoey Hall), St. Mel's Road/ Chapel Street, Longford, on Thursday 18th, at 8.00 p.m. A **Regional Pioneer Meeting** will follow at 8.30 p.m. The agenda includes the Annual Dinner Dance and the Annual Mass for Deceased Pioneers. All members are asked to attend.
- ✘ **Parish Cell System of Evangelization**. The National Seminar will be held in St. Mel's College, Longford, and St. Oliver's, Cullyfad, on 26th, 27th and 28th September. For further information and seminar brochure contact Mary Burns or Martina: 086 271 1254, Email: parishcells@evangelisation@gmail.com, www.paritycellsireland.net
- ✘ **"Rainbows"** is a support programme for children/teenagers who have been bereaved through death, separation or other painful loss. The programme begins in the Family Centre, Longford, on Wednesday, 24th September, and runs from 6.00 to 7.00 p.m. Booking before Friday, 19th is essential. ☎ 043 334 6827.
- ✘ **Newtowncashel Defibrillator Group** hold their A.G.M. on Wednesday 17th, at 8.00 p.m., in the G.A.A. Clubhouse. Support will be appreciated, new members welcome. Training is ongoing. Would-be participants are urged to contact any member without hesitation.
- ✘ **Tidy Towns 2014**. Well done to all involved in Newtowncashel which secured 311 marks and retained its silver medal. Abbeyshrule held the county award and gold medal, with 316 marks. In third place was Ardagh, 296. A very significant number four was Longford Town with 293 and a bronze medal. Locally, Derryhawn continues to advance, scoring 237 marks. Adjudicators visited Newtowncashel on 30th June and 25th July. The Church and its grounds were described as 'impeccable', while it was noted that "The Hill" is decorated to a high standard. Aside from marks and medals and placings, the role of Tidy Towns in Newtowncashel is more important than ever. In the present climate Ntc. could easily take on the appearance of a 'deserted village' were it not for the attention and endeavours of those involved in Tidy Towns.
- ✘ **Text Alert**. During the coming weeks the following people will visit houses in the parish to sign up households to Text Alert:- Declan Gilmore, Niki Riley, Gerry Skelly, Séamus Bermingham, Monica Healy, Enda Healy, Pat Wilson, John Flood, Leo Sweeney, Herbert Farrell, Brendan Bannon, Miriam Casey. They will require €5.00 and a mobile telephone number. Envelopes will also be available at Kenny's Foodstore, Newtowncashel, and at Lanesboro Garda Station. Garda Síochána, Lanesboro, ☎ 043 332 1102, Longford, ☎ 043 335 0570. Personal alarms are available for over-65s. Contact Des Sweeney, 087 269 5715.
- ✘ **Set Dancing Classes** will be held in Sorohan's Lifebelt Bar, Ballyleague, each Tuesday at 8.00 p.m., commencing 16th September. Beginners and experienced dancers catered for. An opportunity to get fit while having fun. Everybody welcome. Contact Mairéad Casey, 086 854 6433, for further information.
- ✘ **The Annual Hospice Coffee Day** will be held in "The Hill" on Thursday 18th, 10.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. The organisers would appreciate the customary support and generosity.
- ✘ **Thank you** for last Sunday's collection, **€780.00**.
- ✘ **Masses for the Dead:-**
 Saturday 13th, 8.00 p.m., Kathleen Casserly, first anniversary,
 and Michael Casserly, Ballinahinch.
 Sunday 14th, 10.30 a.m., Patrick Brennan Jnr., Derrygowna.
 Saturday 20th, 8.00 p.m., Elaine Bawle, Portanure, Month's Mind.
 Sunday 21st, 10.30 a.m., Anne Reid, Portanure.