



PARISH OF CASHEL NEWSLETTER
24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME /C
15TH SEPTEMBER 2019
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Mass Times & Masses for the dead as follows :

Sat 14th Sept	8.00pm	Jimmy Farrell, Derrahaun. (Month's Mind).
Sun 15th Sept	10.30am	
Mon 16th Sept	8.00pm	Mass for The People of The Parish.
Tues 17th Sept	8.00pm	Special Intention.
Wed 18th Sept	No Mass.	
Thurs 19th Sept	9.30am	Special Intention.
Fri 20th Sept	8.00pm	Special Intention.
Sat 21st Sept	8.00pm	Special Intention.
Sun 22nd Sept	10.30am	Special Intention

Rosary continues on Saturday before Mass at 7.40pm.

Eucharistic Adoration on Wednesday 3pm-9pm and Friday 8.30-9pm.

Eucharistic Ministers:

8.00pm	Sat 21st Sept	Mary Casey & Thomas Dennigan.
10.30am	Sun 22nd Sept	Yvonne Kenny & Elizabeth Whitton.

Readers:

8.00pm	Sat 21st Sept	Liadhan Farrell.
10.30am	Sun 22nd Sept	Gerry Farrell.

Stations: For Station Mass in October please contact me on 086 0603433.

The Annual Coffee Day in The Hill on Thursday 19th September from 10am-4pm for Longford Hospice. Please support.

New session of Pilates starting in The Hill on Friday 20th September at 10am. €60 for 6 weeks, payable on Friday 20th. Beginners welcome.

St. Mary's N.S. Clothing Recycling: 27th September 2019. Bags of unwanted clothes, footwear etc (dry and clean) can be left in staff car park or P.E. shed before 9.30 a.m. This is a valuable fundraiser and we appreciate your continued support.

Newtowncashel Defibrillator Group will hold their AGM on Wednesday 18th September at 8pm in The Hill. Your support would be greatly appreciated, as the continuation of this very important voluntary movement is essential in a remote Parish like Cashel.

Longford Pro-Life meeting at John Browne's Pub, Market Square, Longford town on Thursday, 19th of September at 8.30pm. For enquiries call Edward on 089 4634558. Please get involved, we need your help.

Think Tank: The unfolding events at both ESB and Bord na Mona has made the Lanesboro/Ballyleague Collaboration Group take a proactive approach to the creation of jobs. This is being done to help provide all ours and all surrounding communities greatly affected by the unfolding events to help create jobs, revitalise all villages, parishes, schools and communities. There will be a 'Think Tank' meeting in St. Mary's Hall Lanesboro on Saturday 21st Sept. If you have any idea or plan or just want to hear what is being suggested, please come along. Register at joeobrien@outlook.com.

Reflection

Once upon a time, there lived a King who, despite his luxurious lifestyle, was neither happy nor content.

One day, the King came upon a servant who was singing happily while he worked.

This fascinated the King: Why was he, the Supreme Ruler of the Land, unhappy and gloomy, while a lowly servant had so much joy. The King had the servant brought to him and he asked the lowly servant, "Why are you so happy?"

The man replied, "Your Majesty, I am nothing but a servant, but my family and I don't need too much - just a roof over our heads and enough food for my family."

The king was not satisfied with that reply. Later in the day, he sought the advice of his most trusted advisor. After hearing the King's woes and the servant's story, the advisor said, "Your Majesty, I believe that the servant has not been made part of The 99 Club." "The 99 Club? And what exactly is that?" the King inquired.

The advisor replied, "Your Majesty, to truly know what The 99 Club is, place 99 Gold coins in a bag and leave it at this servant's doorstep."

When the servant saw the bag, he took it into his house. When he opened the bag, he let out a great shout of joy ... "I've found a treasure! ... I've found a treasure" !

He began to count the coins. After several counts, he was at last convinced that there were 99 coins. He wondered, "What could've happened to that last gold coin? Surely, no one would leave 99 coins!"

He looked everywhere he could, but that final coin was elusive. Finally, exhausted, he decided that he was going to have to work harder than ever to earn that gold coin and complete his collection.

From that day, the servant's life was changed. He became a workaholic, horribly grumpy, and castigated his family for not helping him make that 100th gold coin. He stopped singing while he worked.

Witnessing this drastic transformation, the King was puzzled and then his advisor explained, "Your Majesty, the servant has now officially joined The 99 Club."

He continued, "The 99 Club is a name given to those who have enough to be happy but are never content, because they're always yearning and striving for *the one thing missing* ... telling themselves: 'Let me get that one final thing and then I will be happy for life.'

Moral:

We can be happy, even with very little in our lives, but the minute we're given something bigger and better, we want even more! We lose our sleep, our happiness, we hurt the people around us ... the price for our growing needs and desires. That's what joining The 99 Club means.

And then there's the great paradox: Jesus tells us: "Those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life *for my sake* will save it" (9:24-25).