



Parish of Cashel

CHURCH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN, NEWTOWNCASHEL

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Lá Fhéile Pádraig

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

17th March, 2013

Beannachtaí na Féile Pádraig oraibh

- ✘ **Mass** on Saturday (Vigil), 8.00 p.m.; Sunday, 10.30 a.m.; Monday, 8.00 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 7.00 a.m.
- ✘ **Mass for the Intentions of the People of the Parish**, on Tuesday 19th at 7.00 a.m.
- ✘ Sunday next is **Palm Sunday**, the commencement of Holy Week. Palms will be blessed at the beginning of Mass on Saturday and Sunday.
- ✘ **Monday 18th**, is the Feast of St. Cyril of Jerusalem, 315-386, Bishop of Jerusalem, catechist and administrator, exiled in his fight against heresy.
Tuesday 19th, St. Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary, venerated as protector of Christian families. Patron of Canada, carpenters and manual workers.
Thursday 21st, St. Enda, a late vocation. His sister Fænche, a nun, turned his thoughts to the religious life. On her urging he went to Aran. He died c 520.
Saturday 23rd, St. Turibius of Mongrovejo, 1538-1606. Archbishop of Lima, Peru. Built up the Church in that country. Patron of Peru and Latin American bishops.
- ✘ **The Stations of the Cross** will not be conducted on Friday 22nd but will be performed on Good Friday.
- ✘ **Volunteers for Holy Week**. Fr. Brady would like to hear from people who are willing to read or participate in processions and the re-enactment of the Washing of the Feet.
- ✘ The **Confessions** of pupils attending Cloontagh School will be heard in the School, on Wednesday 20th, at 2.00 p.m.
- ✘ **Talks for the Year of Faith**. The final talk of four will be given in the Pastoral Centre, St. Mel's College, Longford, on Thursday 21st, at 8.00 p.m. The topic, '**Faith and Resurrection**', the speaker, Sr. Elizabeth McNamee. A Sister of Mercy and a science teacher, Sr. Elizabeth will approach this compelling topic with questions and insights from the world of science. All are welcome.
- ✘ **"The Last Week"**. The Choirs of Newtowncashel, Scramogue and Tang present a re-enactment of the Last Week of Jesus' life on earth, featuring music from Jesus Christ Superstar and other pieces, in this church, on Friday 22nd, at 8.00 p.m.; in Scramogue Church on Saturday 23rd, at 6.00 p.m., and in Tang Church on Sunday 24th, at 8.00 p.m. Everyone welcome.
- ✘ **The Parish Pastoral Council** will meet in "The Hill" on Wednesday 20th, at 8.30 p.m. The business of the meeting includes the distribution of financial acknowledgements for the year 2012.

- ✘ **St. Mary's N.S. Enrolment** for September 2013, continues until Friday, 22nd March. Enrolment packs may be collected from the school and relevant forms returned during this period.
- ✘ A meeting of the School Board of Management, in the school on Thursday 21st, at 8.00 p.m.
- ✘ **P.T.A.A. A Diocesan Pioneer Meeting** will be held in Tealach Íosa (The McGoeys Hall), St. Mel's Road/Chapel Street, Longford, on Thursday 21st, at 8.30 p.m. A full attendance is expected as the Pioneers meet at diocesan level only twice a year.
- ✘ **Cashel G.A.A. Club** hold a Presentation Function in "The Peer Inn", Lisnacusha, on St. Patrick's Night. The Intermediate team will be presented with their medals as winners of the Michael Moran Cup Tournament Final. A presentation will also be made to Garda Noel Egan following the closure of Newtowncashel Garda Station. This is a token of appreciation for his involvement with the Club in various ways while he was stationed in the Parish. Support for this function will be much appreciated.
- ✘ **Longford Harvest Festival** will be held in Newtowncashel on Sunday, 1st September. The event features working displays of vintage machinery, horse and tractor, with associated demonstrations and activities. This promises to be a very interesting and entertaining afternoon for family and enthusiasts. Proceeds to St. Christopher's, Cashel G.A.A and Tidy Towns. Next meeting in Fallon's, Newtowncashel, on Tuesday week, 26th, at 9.00 p.m. A fundraising Table Quiz is scheduled for Friday, 26th April.
- ✘ A **Tidy Towns** meeting will take place in "The Hill" on Friday 22nd, at 8.00 p.m.
- ✘ The **Newtowncashel Branch** of Longford Association for Persons with Intellectual Disability will meet in "The Hill" on Friday 22nd, at 9.00 p.m.
- ✘ **Longford Federation I.C.A.** is happy to sponsor a Longford entrant in the 2013 Rose of Tralee competition. The criteria for the successful applicant are as follows:
 1. The applicant must be from Longford.
 2. Must have a connection in I.C.A., i.e. mother, grandmother, aunt, sister, godmother, etc.
 3. Be aged between 18 years on 1st January and 27 years on 31st August.
 Application in writing or by email, by 3rd April, 2013, to:- Secretary, Margo Ward, Legan Rock, Legan, Co. Longford, email margoward12@gmail.com. Alternatively, application may be made to:- May Campbell, Doonamernan, Kenagh, Longford, email maycampbell@eircom.net
- ✘ **Newtowncashel Defibrillator Group** hold a Cake Sale in "The Hill" this Saturday and Sunday, 16th and 17th, after Mass. Support will be greatly appreciated.
- ✘ **Newtowncashel Drama Group** have presented to Longford Hospice a cheque for €2,700.00, proceeds of their recent fundraiser. The group thank all who supported the cause so generously.
- ✘ Outstanding contributions to **St. Mel's Cathedral Restoration Fund**, as soon as possible, please.
- ✘ Thank you for last Sunday's collection, €775.00.
- ✘ **Masses for the Dead:-**
 - Saturday 16th**, 8.00 p.m., John, Kate and Mary Shanley, Derrygowna, and Kathleen Gibney, Navan.
 - Sunday 17th**, 10.30 a.m., Brian, Brigid and Robert Mulvihill, Claras.
 - Saturday 23rd**, 8.00 p.m., J.P. Killian, Forthill.
 - Sunday 24th**, 10.30 a.m., John & Elizabeth McArdle, Forthill.
 Please pray for Kathleen Tiernan nee Sweeney, Gortletteragh, and formerly of Derrygowna, who died on Monday, and for Kathleen Egan nee Farrell, Drumraney, and formerly of Clonmee, who died on Thursday.