

Parish of Cashel

CHURCH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN, NEWTOWNCASHEL

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THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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THE WEDDING AT CANA

Through their gifts the Wise Men acknowledged Jesus as the Saviour of the world. After his Baptism the Father endorsed him as his own beloved Son. The miracle at Cana is a further revelation of who Jesus is. It is a sign pointing to a deeper reality.

- ✘ **Mass** on Saturday (Vigil), 8.00 p.m.; Sunday, 10.30 a.m.; Monday and Friday, 8.00 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 9.30 a.m.
- ✘ **Mass for the Intentions of the People of the Parish, Missa pro Populo**, on Tuesday 22nd at 9.30 a.m.
- ✘ Sunday 20th is the Feast of St. Fabian, Pope for 14 years, martyred in 250. Sunday 20th, St. Sebastian, a Roman soldier, secretly helped Christians during persecution, was betrayed and subsequently martyred. Monday 21st, St. Agnes, wealthy and beautiful, was martyred for her virginity in Rome, early 4th century. Patroness of engaged couples. Tuesday 22nd, St. Vincent, deacon, martyred in Valencia, Spain, 304. Thursday 24th, St. Francis de Sales, 1567-1622, bishop of Geneva, founder of the Visitation Sisters, patron of journalists. Friday 25th, The Conversion of St. Paul - on the road to Damascus. He spent the remainder of his life preaching to the non-Jewish world. Saturday 26th, Sts. Timothy and Titus, disciples of St. Paul and later his co-workers, to whom he wrote letters which are included in the New Testament.
- ✘ **"Do This in Memory"**. The First Communion children and their parents participate in the liturgy on Sunday next, 27th, The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time.
- ✘ **The Junior Choir** will hold a practice, in the Church, on Saturday 26th, from 5.00 to 6.00 p.m. in preparation for "Do This in Memory".
- ✘ **Teen Mass**. A meeting to choose the date and theme of the next Mass will be held in the Church on Tuesday 22nd, at 8.00 p.m. Teenagers and their mentors are asked to attend.

- ✘ **The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** continues. This year's theme, **"What does God require of us?"** is inspired by chapter 6, verses 6-8, of the Prophet Micah. The material for the week of prayer was prepared by representatives of Christian Churches in India. Thursday 25th, Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, marks the end of the week.



- ✘ **Catholic Schools Week** begins next weekend. It gives us an opportunity to acknowledge and celebrate the tremendous contribution that our Catholic Primary and Post-Primary Schools make, not just to Irish society, but to the mission of the Church. It allows us to create a space where we can proudly articulate and celebrate our ethos and identity. The theme this year is, **'Catholic Schools in the Community of Faith: Sharing the Good News.'**
- ✘ **"The Hill"**. A joint meeting of the Hall Committee and representatives of hall user groups will be held in "The Hill" on Tuesday week, 29th, at 8.00 p.m. All groups and organisations which avail of the facility are requested to send two representatives each. They are asked to avoid the 'dual mandate' syndrome. Each delegate should represent one, and only one, group or organisation. The meeting has been made necessary by the precarious state of hall finances.
- ✘ **Newtowncashel Drama Group** will hold a meeting of all members in "The Hill" on Monday 21st, at 8.30 p.m. With only three weeks to production on 8th, 9th and 10th February, final preparations are under way. All are asked to attend.
- ✘ Well done to the **Longford Vocational Schools'** team on their fine win over Dublin in the Leinster Inter-County Vocational Schools' Senior Football Championship Semi-Final played at Páirc Ciaráin on Saturday last. Andrew Farrell is Cashel's sole representative on the team. They play Kildare in the Leinster Final at Páirc Ciaráin on Friday 25th, at 7.30 p.m. Support will be much appreciated.
- ✘ A meeting of **St. Mary's Parents' Association** will be held in the G.A.A. Club-house, on Wednesday 23rd, at 9.00 p.m.
- ✘ Recent collection totals:-
 Sunday, 6th January,**€1,075.00**.
 Sunday, 13th January,**€590.00**. Thank you very much.
- ✘ **Masses for the Dead:-**
 Saturday 19th, 8.00 p.m., John, Mary Kate & Mary Liz Skelly; Jane and Brigid Hudson, and deceased members of the Skelly and Hudson families, Cleraun.
 Sunday 20th, 10.30 a.m., Peter & Mary Kate Clyne, Caltrabeg.
 Monday 21st, 8.00 p.m., Dolores McGarvey nee Gallagher, Falcarragh, Co. Donegal.
 Friday 25th, 8.00 p.m., Deceased members of the Kenny Family, Derrynagran.
 Saturday 26th, 8.00 p.m., Margaret Muldoon, Greenhall Upper, and Jimmy Kennedy, Aughnacross.
 Sunday 27th, 10.30 a.m., Lena Cunningham, Loughawn, and deceased members of the Cunningham family, Elfeet.