Parish of Cashel

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THE TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 21st September, 2014



PARISH MISSION

We welcome three members of the Vincentian 'Ember Team', Fr. Aidan Galvin, C.M., Fr. Seán Farrell, C.M., and Mr. Thady O'Connor. They will visit the homes of the Parish during the coming week and lead the Parish Mission the following week.

The team's invitation to us is the same as that which Jesus extended to two disciples, "Come and see!" (Jn. 1:39). We pray that our Parish Mission may meet with an eager response and be an occasion of renewal, reconciliation and Christian joy.

- ♥ 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 23rd, at 9.30 a.m.
- ♥ Sunday, 21st, is the Feast of St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist, born at Capernaum, he was a tax collector when called by Jesus. He wrote his Gospel in the Hebrew language and is said to have been a missionary in Persia and Ethiopia.

Tuesday 23rd, St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), 1888-1968, Capuchin friar, stigmatist and confessor.

Tuesday 23rd, St. Eunan, 624-704. Patron of the diocese of Raphoe.

Wednesday 24th, Our Lady of Ransom. A feast of Our Lady celebrated in England. Thursday 25th, St. Finbarr. Patron of the City and Diocese of Cork.

Friday 26th, Sts. Cosmas and Damian, early martyrs in Syria, patrons of physicians. Saturday 27th, St. Vincent de Paul, 1580-1660. Founder of the Congregation of the Mission, the Vincentians. Patron of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

- ✤ The Enrolment Mass for First Confession and First Holy Communion will be celebrated on Sunday, 5th October, at 10.30 a.m.
- ✤ Copies of the new Readers' Roster are now available and may be collected from the Sacristy. We thank the readers for their generous commitment to the proclamation of the Word of God. They are asked to collect the missalette in advance of their turn to read, preferably the previous weekend. It is not possible to deliver leaflets individually.

- ★ A meeting of the School Board of Management will be held in the school on Thursday 25th, at 8.00 p.m.
- ★ The Annual Regional Pioneer Dinner Dance takes place in The Rustic Inn, Abbeyshrule, on Friday, 14th November. Music by "Chuck and June". Dinner at 9.00 p.m., sharp. Tickets @ €25.00 each are now available from committee members.
- ★ Newtowncashel Drama Group. Officers for the coming season were elected at the Annual General Meeting as follows:- Chairperson: David Hanley, Vice Chairperson: Seán Farrell, Secretary: Catherine Gallagher, Treasurer: Katie Kenny, Assistant Treasurer: Liz Hanley, P.R.O.: Jane Hedge, Presidents: Fr. Gerard Brady and Michael Casey, Producer: Dermot Healy, Stage Manager: Tara Healy, Social Committee: Mary Casey, Gillian Brogan and Tara Healy. As well as the group's usual production, it was proposed that a one-act play be entered in the coming festival. All involved are wished success in the season ahead. New members are always welcome.
- Arthritis Ireland, Longford Branch. "Pilates in the Chair" classes commence in St. Mary's Hall, Lanesboro on, Wednesday 24th, at 11.15 a.m., and will run for six weeks. The cost is €30.00. Contact, Loretta Doyle, Chairperson, 086 816 0080, 043 335 9768.
- ✤ The Draft Register of Electors, 2015/2016, is now being prepared. Those who live in County Longford and wish to vote should check that they are registered correctly to vote. Family members, resident in County Longford, who will be 18 years or over by 15th February, 2015, may also be registered to vote.

The Register can be checked by logging onto www.checktheregister.ie or by contacting Longford County Council, 🕾 043 334 3311. Other queries or enquiries relating to the Register of Electors may be made to Longford County Council by e-mail: franchise@longfordcoco.ie

- ♥ Congratulations to Monica Healy who won 2nd prize in the I.C.A. Federation garden competition. Prizes will be presented in Ballinamuck, on Wednesday 24th.
- ★ The Coffee Day in aid of Co. Longford Hospice Homecare realised €940.00. The organisers thank all who contributed so generously.
- ★ Mission Expenses. The Parish Mission will cost €1,000.00 per team member, per week, plus related overheads and expenses. A contribution of €50.00 per household is requested to meet costs. More favourable circumstances may give some households greater flexibility. Additional envelopes are available if required. Envelopes have been distributed and may be returned to the church porches before the Evening Mission, Monday to Friday.
- ★ Thank you for last Sunday's collection, €730.00.
- ✤ Masses for the Dead:-

Saturday 20th, 8.00 p.m., Elaine Bawle, Portanure, Month's Mind. Sunday 21st, 10.30 a.m., Anne Reid, Portanure. Monday 22nd, 8.00 p.m., Matt Smyth, Cornadough. Friday 26th, 8.00 p.m., P.J. Delaney, Carrowbeg. Saturday 27th, 8.00 p.m., Paddy Greene, Elfeet. Sunday 28th, 10.30 a.m., Big Peter Mulvihill, Portanure.

The Annual Mass for Deceased Pioneers of the Longford Region, will be celebrated in St. Mary's Church, Newtownforbes, on Friday, 21st November, at 7.00 p.m.