



PARISH OF CASHEL NEWSLETTER  
22nd May 2016  
**The Most Holy Trinity Sunday**  
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The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship  
of the Holy Spirit be with you all.



**Mass Times as follows:**

Saturday next - the Vigil: 8pm Mass will be celebrated at the football pitch-  
weather permitting, otherwise - in the Church;

Sunday: 10.30am;

Monday & Friday: 8pm. Tuesday & Thursday 9.30am. No Mass on Wednesday.

**Masses for the Dead:**

Sat	21st May	8.00pm	Bridie Greene, (Month's Mind)
Sun	22nd May	10.30am	Thanksgiving & appreciation to retiring Servers.
Mon	23rd May	8.00pm	Michael Healy, Pollough.
Tues	24th May	9.30am	Special Intention.
Thurs	26th May	9.30am	Special Intention.
Fri	27th May	8.00pm	Bridget & James Hanley & Deceased Family Members, Curroole.
Sat	28th May	8.00pm	"Lá na gclub" Deceased Club Members & Parishioners.
Sun	29th May	10.30am	Deceased Members of the Murray Family, Claris.

**Confessions** will be held before the Vigil Mass on Saturday evenings from now on -  
7pm to 7.30pm. Obviously, there will be times when I won't be able to be present.

**Board of Management** meeting will be held in the school on Thursday @ 8.30pm .

**Recitation of the Rosary** continues Friday evening at 7.30pm. May is traditionally known  
as the Blessed Virgin Mary's Month. It would be nice to make a special effort to attend the  
weekly recitation of the Rosary which concludes for the summer at the end of the month.

**On Saturday June 18th**, the Vigil Mass will be celebrated at 6pm in the Church to  
facilitate the Tidy Towns Special Event.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** every Wednesday 4pm-8pm .

**Recent Collection:** 15th May: Offertory €870. Thank you for your generosity.

**Eucharistic Ministers and Readers** are reminded to please check roster. If you cannot  
be present, please ask another Eucharistic Minister/Reader to take your place.

**The relics of St. Anthony of Padua**, the popular saint known to help people find lost items,  
will visit St. Mel's Cathedral, Longford on Tuesday 14th June.

**A special word of thanks** to our retiring Servers for years of dedicated service  
at the Altar. Caoimhe Flood, Emma Casey, Conor Skelly, Daniel Farrell,  
Lisa Dowd, Joseph Kenny & Oisín Brogan.

**The Club** are celebrating Lá Na gClubanna on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May. Included in the  
Itinerary is Mass for deceased Club members and Parishioners, Under-age and  
Adult Gaelic Games, plus music and entertainment. The night will also feature a  
Launch of the Fundraiser "Night at the Dogs" at Mullingar Race Track on Saturday  
9<sup>th</sup> July, plus launch and release of book "125 years of Cashel G.A.A." by local  
Author Jimmy Casey, N.T. Further details of events and timetable to follow.

**Reflection:** A Baker and a Farmer made a contract. The Baker would give the Farmer a  
pound of bread for a pound of his butter. This worked well for a while. One day, the Baker  
became suspicious - the portion of butter seemed to be getting smaller. Over several days,  
he continued to check. Indeed it was true. The Baker challenged the Farmer: "Cheat", he  
called him. "After my kindness to you, look what you have done!" "I have not cheated",  
said the Farmer. The Baker was furious and brought his case before the Village Council.  
At the trial, the Judge was surprised when the Farmer told him he had a weighing scales but  
no weights. "How can you possibly weigh the butter", the Judge asked him. "It's like this",  
said the Farmer. I take the one pound of bread given by my friend the Baker, and place it on  
the scales to weigh the butter. When the two sides are perfectly balanced - then, and only  
then, do I give the butter to my friend here. The Judge made his decision - the Baker was  
found guilty and had to pay a hefty fine to the Farmer.

**Moral:** The Baker didn't notice that he was guilty of his own suspicions - (putting less and  
less flour into the loaf subconsciously and was caught out by the Farmer). The Lord wants to  
help us, but he depends on us putting all of ourselves in the palm of his hands. If we hold  
back, even a little like the Baker - then the Lord Himself has no option but to do the same.  
Why? Because He said: "The amount you measure out is the amount you will be given in  
return". The great mystics tell us - the more familiar we become with the Lord, the less we  
put into the relationship. My pound of bread, like the Baker, decreases almost subconsciously.  
That is why our prayers are not answered as we would like them to be. Trinity Sunday reminds  
us that the Father gave his Son, not in a partial way, but in the ultimate sacrifice on the Cross.  
Likewise, the Son releases the Holy Spirit, not in a partial way, but with all the wonderful gifts  
we need: True Faith, Hope, Love, Joy, Courage .....