



- ✘ **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**, this Sunday, 22nd, at 10.30 a.m.
- ✘ **Monday 23rd**, is the Feast of St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), 1888-1968, Monday 23rd, St. Eunan, 624-704. Patron of the diocese of Raphoe. Tuesday 24th, Our Lady of Ransom. A feast of Our Lady celebrated in England. Wednesday 25th, St. Finbarr. Patron of the City and Diocese of Cork. Thursday 26th, Sts. Cosmas and Damian, early martyrs in Syria, patrons of physicians. Friday 27th, St. Vincent de Paul, 1580-1660. He is patron of charitable works. Saturday 28th, St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, martyred in Nagasaki, Japan. Saturday 28th, St. Wenceslaus, 905-925. Patron saint of the Czech Republic.
- ✘ **The Sacrament of Confirmation** will be administered on Saturday, 22nd March, 2014, at 12.00 noon. Fr. James McKiernan will speak to the parents of children for Confirmation, in "The Hill", on Thursday, 26th September, at 8.00 p.m. The fathers and mothers of the children are expected to attend.
- ✘ **Teenage Mass.** A meeting will be held in the Church on Tuesday 24th at 8.00 p.m. to choose a date and make initial plans. Second level students and all who are supportive of this initiative are invited to attend.
- ✘ **Episcopal Ordination.** Fr. Francis Duffy, Bishop Designate, will be ordained Bishop of Ardagh and Clonmacnois, in St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral Church, Athlone, on Sunday 6th October, at 3.00 p.m. Cashel Parish has been allocated 4 (four) tickets. Those interested in attending the ceremony are asked to place their names in the box provided in the main porch.
- ✘ **Cathedral Open Day.** The Restoration of St. Mel's Cathedral is progressing very well. An Open Day will be held on Sunday 29th from 1.30 to 4.30 p.m. All are welcome.
- ✘ **Parish Cell System of Evangelization.** The National Seminar will be held in St. Mel's Cathedral Centre and St. Oliver's Cullyfad, on 4th, 5th and 6th October. Guest Speaker, John Waters, Writer and Journalist. For further information and seminar brochure contact: 086 806 7814, Email: parishcellssofevangelisation@gmail.com, www.parihccllsireland.net
- ✘ **Baptisms.** Welcomed into the Christian community on 7th September were:- John Anthony Bawle, son of John and Elaine (Brady) Bawle, Portanure, and Jack Donnelly, son of Oliver and Michelle (Farrell) Donnelly, Carrowbeg.



- ✘ **Congratulations** to Emer Flynn and Joe Hanlon, who were married on 13th September.
- ✘ Renewed thanks to all who ensured that **Cemetery Sundays** and **Pattern Day at Lady Well** were special yet again - those who assisted with maintenance and stewarding, neighbouring families, those who participated in the Liturgy and the very many people, young and not so young, who attended and prayed. While the cemetery evenings were blessed with favourable weather the climate at Lady Well was somewhat more challenging.
- ✘ **The Autumn Station Masses** will be celebrated from 1st to 31st October. Householders who are to host the Stations may arrange dates when convenient if they have not already done so.
- ✘ **The Annual Regional Pioneer Dinner Dance** takes place in The Rustic Inn, Abbeyshrule, on Friday, 1st November. Music by The J & S Sound. Dinner at 9.00 p.m., sharp. Tickets @ €25.00 each are now available from committee members.
- ✘ **A Gospel Choir Workshop**, facilitated by the Tullamore Gospel Choir, will be held in the Longford Arms Hotel, on Sunday 29th, from 3.00 to 5.00 p.m. For bookings, ☎ 043 334 5555, before Wednesday 25th.
- ✘ **"Rainbows"** is a support programme for children/teenagers who have been bereaved through death or separation. The programme begins in the Family Centre, Longford, on Thursday, 3rd October, and runs from 6.00 to 7.00 p.m., continuing for twelve weeks. Booking before Thursday, 26th September, is essential. ☎ 043 334 6827.
- ✘ **Tidy Towns.** Newtowncashel secured 308 marks and retained its silver medal in the 2013 competition. Abbeyshrule took the county award with 314 marks. In third place was Longford Town, scoring 286, quite an achievement for a large town. Derryhawn, scored 229 a significant increase on last year's mark. In Newtowncashel all parish buildings attracted favourable comment. Adjudication took place on Wednesday, 26th June. The Village was not shortlisted for further consideration this year. The judge's remarks on the new street lighting are subjective and open to question. Well done to all who ensure the continued success of the Village. The adjudicator acknowledged, "You are scoring very highly in the contest now so that every new point increase is hard-won."
- ✘ **"Thinking of Involving Volunteers"** is the title of a workshop to be held in The Green, Edgeworthstown, on Thursday 26th, commencing 10.00 a.m. It is designed to illustrate the best ways of involving volunteers and understanding volunteer expectations.
- ✘ **The Annual Cake Sale and Raffle in aid of St. Joseph's Young Priests Society** takes place in "The Hill" next weekend, Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th, after Mass. Donations of home baking and farm produce would be greatly appreciated. Support will be very welcome.
- ✘ **The Coffee Day** in aid of Co. Longford Hospice Homecare realised **€785.00**. The organisers thank all who contributed so generously.
- ✘ **Recent collection totals:-** Sunday, 8th September,**€575.00**. Sunday, 15th September,.....**€570.00**. Thank you very much.
- ✘ **Masses for the Dead:-** Saturday 21st, 8.00 p.m., Paddy Hopkins, Pollagh, month's mind. Friday 27th, 8.00 p.m., Pat Clarke, Curroole Fox. Saturday 28th, 8.00 p.m., Anne Reid, Portanure. Sunday 29th, 10.30 a.m., John & Eileen Mulvihill, and deceased members of the Mulvihill Family, Leab.

