

PARISH OF CASHEL NEWSLETTER THIRTIETH SINDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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FR. MERLVN KENNY-043 3325112 and consider others more important than yourselves

Don't be jealous or proud, but be humble



All who EXALT be humbled

but all who HELIMIESE, F themselves will be exalted Luke 18 14

Mass Timps as follows:

Saturday Vigil Mass: 8pm. Sunday: 10.30am. Monday: 8pm.

No Mass on Wednesday or Friday due to stations. Tues & Thurs: 9.30am.

Masses for the Dead:

22nd Oct 8.00pm Della Murray, Tipper.

23rd Oct 10,30am P.J. Delaney, Carrowbeg.

Mon 24th Oct 8.00pm Patrick and Mary O'Dowd, Aughnacross.

Tues 25th Oct 9.30am Special Intention.

Thurs 27th Oct 9.30am Mass for People of Parish.

28th Oct No Mass in Church - Station.

29th Oct 8.00 pm Bea (Bridget) Mulvihill, Dermeana - Curroole.

30th Oct 10.30am

Stations: Thurs 27th Oct at 8pm: John & Mary Connor, Greenhall/Carrickmoran/ Fortwilliam

Fri 28th Oct at 8pm: Tom and Ellen Murray, Caltramore/Lightfield/Streamstown/ Caltrabeg/Ballina & Lisnagan.

Note: Error in last week's bulletin - Mairead and Michael Casey's station is for 2017.

Congratulations to Elaine Feeney and Ronan Skelly on their marriage celebration here last Friday.

Offertory Collection 16th Oct.: €800. Thank you for your generosity.

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Mary McDermott (Tara Farrell's aunt) who died in Galway during the week.

QUESTION: What qualification does a person need in order to be on the parish team for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament?

ANSWER: One hour at your disposal ... in a whole week... and a willing heart!

Guest speaker Eamonn O'Keefe at Masses on Saturday & Sunday this weekend. Newtowncashel NS Parents' Assoc, Fancy Dress Fundraiser is on Sat 29th October

in 'The Local' from 9pm onwards. Prizes galore.

Graveyard Collection for 2016 amounted to €2924.36 & £11 sterling.

The Graveyard Committee would like to thank sincerely all who contributed so generously. All proceeds will be used entirely for the maintenance of both graveyards and the purchase of new equipment for their upkeep.

Board of Management Meeting in the school on Thursday Oct. 27th at 8pm. Reflection:

Amy Carmichael was a famous missionary to India in the early 1900's She saved thousands of little girls and boys from destitution in a life of total dedication to the Gospel founding an order of Religious Sisters. Amy grew up in a big house in Ireland and had lots of fun with her brothers and sisters. But one day her father died, and the family had to move to a big city and a smaller home. Once, before her father died she and her mother stopped at a tea-room for lunch. While they were eating. Amy noticed a little girl outside. Her face was dirty and her hair was straggly as she pressed her nose against the window. Her sad eves looked right into Amy's. Amy could never forget the poor little girl. So when she was back home again, she wrote her a special promise. She gave it to God, since she couldn't deliver it to the poor child.

> "When I grow up and money have, I know what I will do I'll build a great big lovely place For little girls like you.

Amy didn't know that one day, God would send her all the way to India to fulfil that promise. Walking home from church one Sunday, something else happened that forever changed Amy's life. She and her two oldest brothers -- dressed in their best clothes -- were way ahead of the others, when she spotted a poor beggar woman, dressed in tattered old clothes. Her feet were wrapped with strips of rags, now heavy with mud. Over her bent shoulders hung a large bundle of sticks. When Amy and her brothers saw the old woman stagger and almost fall, they hurried to catch up with her. The older boy lifted the bundle off her back, and hung it over his shoulders. The other two each took the woman's arms and helped her along. Since they couldn't move very fast, other church people caught up with them. A special book titled "Amy Carmichael Rescuer of Precious Gems" tells us what happened next: "One by one, church members stared at the strange sight as they walked by. Amy felt her face getting hotter as each person from church passed them, especially when one woman hurried her children to the other side of the road to avoid the four of them altogether. Suddenly, Amy clearly heard a voice say: "Gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw ... the fire will test what sort of work each one has done." Amy turned to see who was speaking. There was no one there. After lunch, Amy went to her room. She knelt down by her bed. She knew the words she'd heard were from the Bible.... The words were from 1 Corinthians, chapter three, verses twelve through fourteen.

Moral: After several hours of praying and thinking, Amy finally decided she knew what the words from the verse meant to her. For one thing, she would no longer Waste time on things that weren't important in God's eyes. When all the things she'd done in her life were finally judged by God, she wanted them to be found worthwhile. She wanted them to be seen as gold and silver, not hay and stubble. For another thing, she would never again worry about what people thought of her. If what she was doing was pleasing to God, that would be enough for her. If other people, even other Christians, didn't want to walk with beggars, that was their business, but Amy would walk with them.