

# Parish of Cashel

CHURCH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN, NEWTOWNCASHEL

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## THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT THE TRANSFIGURATION

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*The Lord is my light and my help,  
whom shall I fear?*

*It is your face, O Lord, that I seek:  
hide not your face.*

Today's Psalm 26.



- ✧ **Mass** on Saturday (Vigil), 8.00 p.m.; Sunday, 10.30 a.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 7.00 a.m.; Friday, 8.00 p.m.
- ✧ **Mass for the Intentions of the People of the Parish, Missa pro Populo**, on Tuesday 26th at 7.00 a.m.
- ✧ Tuesday 26th is the Feast of St. Alexander, who became Bishop of Alexandria, Egypt, in 312. He challenged the Arian heresy which denied the divinity and sinlessness of Christ. The Emperor Constantine sided with Alexander at the Council of Nicea in 325 and Arianism was officially condemned. He died the following year, 326.  
Friday, 1st March, St. David, c.520-c.601, Bishop and Abbot of Menevia, Patron of Wales.
- ✧ Friday is the **First Friday** of March. The Holy Communion calls to the sick and housebound will be made on Thursday and Friday.
- ✧ **Lenten Masses.** During Lent, Mass is celebrated at 7.00 a.m. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. This arrangement gives a greater number of people an opportunity to come to Mass during the Lenten Season.
- ✧ **The Stations of the Cross** on the Fridays of Lent at 7.30 p.m. All are urged to make a special effort to participate in this traditional devotion.
- ✧ **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** continues on Wednesdays from 3.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. There are vacancies for several more participants.
- ✧ **Teen Mass** on Sunday, 10th March. Gospel rehearsal in Church on Monday 25th, at 6.00 p.m. Choir practice on Saturday, 2nd March, 7.00 p.m. to 7.45.
- ✧ **Baptism.** Joanna Marie Healy, daughter of Dermot and Tara (Brogan) Healy, Claras, was welcomed into the Christian community on Sunday last.
- ✧ **St. Joseph's Young Priests' Society** holds its monthly meeting in "The Hill" on Tuesday 26th at 8.00 p.m. New members are welcome. Please note time of meeting.



- ✧ **Congratulations** to Louise Kearney and Kevin Chapman who were married on Saturday, 16th February, and to Maura Skelly and Rory Brehon who wed on Friday, 22nd February.



- ✧ Items for the **Newsletter** by midday on Thursday, please.
- ✧ **Longford Hospice Fundraiser.** Following its hugely successful production, Newtowncashel Drama Group will restage "Callaghan's Place" by John McDwyer, in "The Hill" on Sunday, 3rd March, at 8.30 p.m. Admission by ticket only - adults €10.00, students (primary and secondary) €5.00. Tickets may be reserved by calling David Hanley, 086 822 2655. All proceeds to Longford Hospice.
- ✧ The launch of the **Longford Gathering 2013** will be performed by Mr. Michael Ring T.D., Minister of State for Tourism and Sport, at 8.00 p.m., on Monday 25th, in the Backstage Theatre, Longford. All are welcome.
- ✧ **Skittles at Foigha** is a fun-filled family evening taking place at Leavy's of Foigha on Sunday 24th from 4.00 to 7.00 p.m. Skittles, games and music. This is a fundraising event for Irish Children's Pilgrimage Trust, www.irishpilgrimage.org. All who attend will enjoy the evening.
- ✧ **Concern.** The annual church gate collection and Christmas fast brought in a total of **€958.00** which included a few generous donations. Those who arranged the fast and collection thank all concerned and acknowledge the use of "The Hill" facilities.
- ✧ **The Lourdes Sick Pilgrims' Collection** realised **€530.00**. The organisers thank the collectors and all who contributed so generously. The fund is used to subsidise the air fare of sick or assisted people who join the Diocesan Pilgrimage.
- ✧ The **Monthly Collection** for March is due next weekend, please.
- ✧ Thank you for last Sunday's collection, **€860.00**.
- ✧ **Masses for the Dead:-**  
Saturday 23rd, 8.00 p.m., John, Mary Margaret, and John Skelly Jnr., Cornaguillagh.  
Sunday 24th, 10.30 a.m., Peter & Elizabeth Hopkins, Drumnee.  
Wednesday 27th, 7.00 a.m., Ellen Skelly, Cross.  
Friday, 1st March, 8.00 p.m., Mary B. Kenny, gan.  
Saturday 2nd, 8.00 p.m., Thomas & Annie Mallon and deceased of the Mallon family, Ballagh.  
Sunday 3rd, 10.30 a.m., Teresa Flynn, Curroole Fox.

### STATION MASSES February 2013

CLERAUN AND LISMAGAWLEY	Anna & James Costello	Monday 25th
FORTHILL	Rachael & Mark Bermingham	Tuesday 26th
CROSS AND CLARAS	Gráinne & Joseph Mulvihill	Thursday 28th

**Confessions 7.45, Mass 8.00 p.m.**