

PARISH OF CASHEL NEWSLETTER

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 25th September 2016 FR. MERLYN KENNY-043 3325112



Lord, please help me to remember that if I want to feel rich, to just count the things I have that money can't buy.

Mass Times as follows:

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

Monday & Friday: 8pm. Tues & Thurs: 9.30am. No Mass on Wednesday.

Masses for the Dead:

Sat 24th Sept 8.00pm Pat Clarke, Curroole.

Sun 25th Sept 10.30am Paddy Greene, Elfeet.

Mon 26th Sept 8.00pm Matthew & Brigid Smyth, Cornadough.

Tues 27th Sept 9.30am Special Intention.

Thurs 29th Sept 9.30am Mass for the People of the Parish.

Fri 30th Sept 8.00pm Annie Forde & D.F.M. of the Skelly Family, Portanure.

Sat 1st Oct 8.00pm Brendan Bawle, Loughawn.

Sun 2nd Oct 10.30am John & Eileen Mulvihill & D.F.M. Leab.

Eucharistic Adoration continues on Wednesdays between 4-8pm.

October Stations: Starts on Monday October 3rd at 8pm in Andrew & Laura Donlon's, Derryglosh/Derryshannogue.

Anyone who would like to have a Station Mass in their home, please contact me.

Recent Collections: 18th September Offertory Sunday: €600.

Harvest Dues Envelope: due at this time. Thank you.

Newtowncashel Defibrillator Group will provide training for the people of the parish over the coming months. We cannot emphasise the importance of having as many people as possible trained in CPR and use of the Defibrillator. On next Wednesday 28th at 7.30pm in "The Hill" we will provide the opportunity for people who are already trained to refresh their skills and welcome anybody that would like to avail of training.

The Alzheimer Society of Ireland Church Gate Collection will be held this weekend.

P.T.A.A. meeting takes place on Wednesday 5th October at 8.30pm in "The Hill."

Bord na Mona intend to hold a second series of pre-planning Public Information sessions regarding its proposed Derryadd Wind Farm as follows:

Wednesday 28th September 3 - 9pm: St Brigid's G.A.A. Centre, Killashee.

Thursday 29th September 3 - 9pm: The Hill, Newtowncashel.

Friday 30th September 3 - 9pm: Kenagh Community Centre.

Saturday 1st October 10am - 4pm: St. Mary's Parish Hall, Lanesborough.

Admission is Free. Staff will be on hand to discuss the project.

The organisers of the recent Coffee Day in aid of Longford Hospice, want to thank parishioners for contributing a total of €800 to the cause.

Best of Luck to the Cashel football team who will play Killashee in the County Intermediate Football Final in Pearse Park this Sunday. It is a great achievement to get this far. Hopefully, the lads will bring back the cup to the parish once again. Congratulations to the Southern Gaels U12 team on their League Final win last Saturday. Reflection - A classic story is told by Harold Wildish: There was a wealthy landowner who lived in the Scottish Highlands. He was more than richly endowed with the world's goods and amongst his vast possessions was a stately mansion overlooking a beautiful valley. But there was a basic emptiness in his life. He had no religious beliefs, and he lived alone, possessed by his possessions. In the gate lodge at the entrance of his estate lived John, his herdsman. John was a simple man of faith and deep religious commitment. With his family he was a regular churchgoer, the Lord's presence was a reality in his home and often at night when he opened the gate to admit his employer the laird noticed the family on their knees in prayer. One morning the landowner was looking out on the valley at the rising sun. As he gazed on the beautiful scene, he was saying to himself, "It is all mine," when he heard the doorbell ringing. Going down, he found John on the doorstep. He asked him what was the matter? John asked if he could have a word with him. He was then invited in onto the plush carpet, a striking contrast between their life-styles. John said to him, "Last night I had a dream, and in it the Lord told me the richest man in the valley would die at midnight. I felt I should tell you." "Tut, tut," said the laird, "I don't believe in dreams. Go on back to your work, and forget about it." Nevertheless, John's words kept bothering him, so much so that he went to see his doctor for a complete check-up. The doctor examined him and found him to be in complete health, he would easily live another twenty years. The landowner was relieved but a lingering doubt caused him to invite the doctor around for dinner and a few drinks. Eventually, when midnight passed and he was still in the land of the living, he saw the doctor to the door and then went up the stairs muttering, "Silly old John...upset my whole day...him and his darn dreams!" No sooner was he in bed when he heard the doorbell ringing. It was 12:30am. Going down he found a grief-stricken girl at the door, whom he recognized instantly as John's teenage daughter. "Sir," she said, looking at him through her tears, "Mammy sent me to tell you that dad died at midnight." The landowner froze, as it was suddenly made clear to him who was the richest man in the valley.