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THE THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 25th/26th October, 2014

- ► Saturday, 1st November, is the **Feast of All Saints**, a holyday of obligation. Vigil Mass on Friday at 8.00 p.m., Morning Mass on Saturday at 10.30 a.m.
- **S**unday 2nd, is the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, the **Feast of All Souls**. Vigil Mass on Saturday at 8.00 p.m., Sunday Mass at 10.30 a.m.
- **▼ Confessions** on Saturday at 11.10 a.m. and 8.40 p.m. (after Mass).
- Monday 27th is the Feast of St. Otteran, a companion of St. Colmcille, whom he accompanied to Iona, patron of Waterford City and Diocese.

 Tuesday 28th, Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles; Simon, known as the Zealot, was born in Cana; Jude, also known as Thaddeus, is patron saint of hopeless causes.

 Wednesday 29th, St. Colman, 7th century, native and patron of Kilmacduagh, Co. Galway, where he founded a church in addition to two on Inis Mór, Aran Islands.
- ➤ Clerical Appointment. We extend our best wishes to Fr. Tom Kearney S.V.D. who has been appointed to St. Mary's Parish, Athlone. Cashel is now represented on both sides of the Shannon in the midlands town, as Fr. Seán Ó'Dowd S.P.S. is already ministering in the Parish of Sts. Peter and Paul on the west bank.
- ▼ Vocations. exploreAway is a discernment programme for those considering a vocation to the priesthood or religious life. It is run by Sr. Gabrielle Farrell O.L.A., 087 358 4447, and Fr. Alan Neville M.S.C., 085 766 4480, who would be glad to hear from individuals who are interested. The programme is open to men and women between the ages of 21 and 40, and takes place over five monthly residential weekends beginning in December. Email: enquiries @exploreaway.net, www.exploreaway.net

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From 12 noon on 1st November until midnight on 2nd November, all who have been to Confession, received Holy Communion and prayed for the Pope's intentions (one Our Father and Hail Mary or any other prayer of one's choice) can gain one plenary indulgence by visiting a church or oratory, and there reciting one Our Father and the Apostles' Creed. This indulgence is applicable only to the Departed. Confession may be made any time within the week preceding or the week following 1st November. Holy Communion may be received on any day from 1st to 8th November. For every other visit to a church during this time a partial indulgence may be gained for the same intention.

Those who visit a cemetery and pray for the dead may gain a plenary indulgence applicable only to the Holy Souls on the usual conditions once per day from 1st to 8th November. The conditions mentioned above also apply.

- ¥ Fifty Years Ago, September, 1964. Newtowncashel Grotto. The Lourdes Grotto, which had been ordered for some time for Newtowncashel, was delivered and work on its erection was due to commence. Committee members over this project were: Dan Farrell, Elfeet; Desmond Carley, Loughill; Tommy Skelly, Ballagh; Johnny Casey, Derrydarragh; P.J. Casey, Derrydarragh; Pat Costello, Pollagh and Newtown; Dan Caslin, New Row; Johnny Bawle, Portanure; and John Finnegan, Estate Road. (Our thanks to Catherine Gallagher for the cutting from the Longford Leader.)
- A Regional Pioneer Meeting will be held in Tealach Iosa (The McGoey Hall), St. Mel's Road/Chapel Street, Longford, on Thursday 30th, at 8.30 p.m. to finalise arrangements for the Annual Dinner Dance and the Annual Mass for Deceased Pioneers.
- **★** The Annual Regional Pioneer Dinner Dance takes place in The Rustic Inn, Abbeyshrule, on Friday, 14th November. Music by "Chuck and June". Dinner at 9.00 p.m., sharp. Tickets @ €25.00 each are now available from committee members.
- ▶ Longford Harvest Festival Committee will make a presentation to St. Christopher's, in Gav's Bar, Kenagh, on Saturday, 1st November, at 9.30 p.m. Music by Sharon Turley. Refreshments will be served. All are welcome.
- ▼ St. Mary's Parents' Association, Officers elected at recent A.G.M.:- Chairperson, Tara Farrell; Vice Chairperson, Gerard Hand; Secretary, Mary Mulvihill; Assistant Secretary, Caroline Murtagh; Treasurer, Elaine Donnelly; Assistant Treasurer, Ann Kelly; Public Relations Officer, John Kenny; Assistant P.R.O., Martina Mulvihill; Safety Officer, Vicki Nolan; Representatives on Board of Management, Declan Murtagh and Barbara Martin.
- ₱ Parish Mission evaluation sheets are available on the seats. Please complete the forms and return to The Parochial House as soon as possible. Feedback, comment and opinion are very important in the aftermath of the Mission.
- ♣ Cashel G.A.A. Well done to the Junior Team who, on Sunday last, won the 'B' Championship Final, defeating St. Patrick's, Ardagh, at Pearse Park.
- **▼ The November Dues** should be handed in on All Saints' Day, please.
- **▼** Thank you for last Sunday's collection, €755.00.
- ₩ Masses for the Dead:-

Saturday 25th, 8.00 p.m., Pat Clarke, Curroole. Sunday 26th, 10.30 a.m., John Finnegan and deceased members of the Finnegan Family, Cormaglava.

Friday 31st, 8.00 p.m., Vigil Mass, Feast of All Saints,

James & Margaret and Thomas Murtagh, Derryhawn Mór. Saturday, 1st November, 10.30 a.m., Brigid (B) Mulvihill, Curroole Fox.

Saturday 1st, 8.00 p.m., Vigil, Feast of All Souls, Mass for the Faithful Departed. Sunday 2nd, 10.30 a.m., The Faithful Departed.

STATION MASS		
ESTATE ROAD, DERRYMACAR, DERRINDIFF, DERRYCOLUMB	Fidelma & Oliver Killian	Thursday 30th October
Confessions 7.45. Mass 8.00 p.m. 1438		



THE FEAST OF ALL SOULS 2nd November, 2014

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May the souls of all the Faithful Departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

- Mass on Saturday (Vigil), 8.00 p.m.; Sunday, 10.30 a.m.; Monday, 8.00 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 9.30 a.m.; Friday, 1.00 p.m., Wedding Mass.
- **S**unday 2nd is the **Feast of All Souls**, the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed. **S**unday 2nd is the **Feast of All Souls**, the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed. Monday 3rd, St. Martin de Porres, Lima, Peru, son of a Spanish father and a coloured mother, dispenser of medicines, Dominican, 1579-1639.

Monday 3rd, St. Malachy, principal patron Armagh and Down & Connor, 1094-1148. Tuesday 4th, St. Charles Borromeo, qualified in canon and civil law, Cardinal Archbishop of

Milan. 1538-1584. Wednesday 5th, Saints Zechariah and Elizabeth, the parents of St. John the Baptist.

Thursday 6th, All the Saints of Ireland. Instituted by Pope Benedict XV (1914-1922).

Friday 7th, St. Willibrord, 658-739, bishop and missionary.

Saturday 8th, All the Saints of Wales.

Sunday 9th, Feast of the Dedication of the Basilica of St. John Lateran, the Pope's cathedral.

- Friday is the First Friday of November. The Holy Communion calls to the sick and housebound will be made on Tuesday and Wednesday. Please note change of dates.
- son of Andrew and Victoria (Wilson) Riley, Cleraun. was baptised on Sunday, 26th October.
- The Autumn Stations focused on neighbourliness in the aftermath of the Parish Mission. Our thanks once again, for their welcome, hospitality and generosity, to the households who hosted the Stations - to those who stepped in spontaneously and to all who accommodated the calendar.
- Parish Mission. The early return of Evaluation Sheets would be appreciated, please.
- A P.T.A.A. November is an ideal occasion to take a break from alcohol. Take the Short-Term Pledge and offer this as a prayerful act in honour of departed loved ones. 01 874 9464 www.pioneerassociation.ie
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- ▶ Longford Harvest Festival Committee will make a presentation to St. Christopher's, in Gav's Bar, Kenagh, this Saturday, 1st November, at 9.30 p.m. Music by Sharon Turley. All welcome.
- A Tidy Towns meeting will be held in "The Hill" on Wednesday 5th, at 8.00 p.m.

- Newtowncashel Drama group will perform "Cliff's Edge" by Paul Beard at the One Act Festival in Cootehill, Co. Cavan, on Saturday, 8th November. A bus will be provided at a cost of €10.00 per person, return. Tickets cost €10.00. Deposit of €10.00 required. Contact Katie Kenny, 086 252 1536, to confirm seat and ticket.
 - An important meeting for all group members will be held in "The Hill" on Tuesday, 4th November, at 8.30 p.m. This brief meeting will be followed by a dress rehearsal of "Cliff's Edge". A full attendance is anticipated and new members welcome.
- The A.G.M. of Newtowncashel Community Games takes place on Tuesday 4th, at 8.00 p.m. It is important that as many parents as possible get involved in the organisation.
- ▼ Text Alert. Text messages were issued last weekend notifying members of the start-up of the scheme. Anyone who did not receive a text should contact a member of the committee. Likewise, those who have yet to get involved may do so by leaving name, mobile number and €5.00 in designated envelope at Kenny's Shop, in the Village. Text alert signs, incorporating the Garda phone number, have been erected on approach roads. All are urged to be vigilant and to notify An Garda Síochána should they notice anything suspicious.
- ▲ Lady Well. While the 'boil water' notice remains in force many people use Lady Well as a source of drinking water. In the recent past concerned individuals went to considerable lengths to ensure unhindered access to the well at all times. That was granted on the understanding that the well and its immediate surroundings would be treated with care. Unfortunately, some people have chosen to drive vehicles up close to the well itself. In manoeuvring those vehicles they have disturbed and damaged the terrain around the well.
 - Those drawing water from Lady Well are asked to leave the ground in the vicinity of the well undisturbed. It is not necessary to bring a vehicle to the edge of the well in order to take water.
- The November Dues should be handed in this weekend, and the Monthly Collection for November on Saturday and Sunday next, please.
- The **Pioneer** church gate collection is taken up this weekend.
- Recent collection totals:- Saturday last€765.00.

Monthly Collection. October€550.00. Thank you very much.

Masses for the Dead:-

Saturday 1st, 8.00 p.m., Mass for the Faithful Departed.

Sunday 2nd, 10.30 a.m., Mass for the Faithful Departed.

Monday 3rd, 8.00 p.m., John Duke, Pollagh.

Tuesday 4th, 9.30 a.m., Deceased parishioners, relatives and friends.

Thursday 6th. 9.30 a.m., Deceased Parishioners of Cashel, at the request

of the late Michael J. Hanley, New York.

Saturday 8th, 8.00 p.m., Jack & Kathleen, and Brigid Clyne, Caltrabeg, and Brid Baxter. Longford.

Sunday 9th, 10.30 a.m., Rose & Frank Slevin, Frank Slevin Jnr.,

and Frances Slevin Campbell, Cornadough.

Funerals. When a funeral occurs on Sunday, the Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 12.00 noon, replacing the 10.30 a.m. Mass.

It is suggested and strongly recommended that Floral Tributes at funerals be kept to an absolute minimum and that donations in lieu be directed to flowers for the altar.

Month's Mind Masses are given priority over all other bookings, except First Anniversa-

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THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA 8th/9th November, 2014



The Lateran Basilica is the Pope's cathedral, hence the significance of today's feast. It's the anniversary of the dedication of the basilica where St. Peter's successor is bishop. This feast is celebrated throughout the Church as a sign of unity and as a sign of respect for the Holy See.

- Mass on Saturday (Vigil), 8.00 p.m.; Sunday, 10.30 a.m.; Monday, 8.00 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 9.30 a.m.
- Sunday 9th is the Feast of the Dedication of the Basilica of St. John Lateran, the Pope's cathedral in Rome.

Monday 10th, St. Leo the Great, Pope, renowned teacher, died 461.

Tuesday 11th, St. Martin of Tours, 335-397, apostle of rural France.

Wednesday 12th, St. Josaphat, 1580-1623, worked for Catholic unity in Ukraine.

Thursday 13th, St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, 1850-1917, founded the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart, went to New York to work with needy Italian immigrants. In 1946 she became the first U.S. citizen to be canonised.

Friday 14th, St. Laurence O'Toole, 1128-1180, Abbot of Glendalough, Archbishop of Dublin and a patron of that diocese.

Saturday 15th, St. Albert the Great, 1206-1280, Dominican theologian, patron of scientists.

₱ Dates and times, 2015:-

First Confession, Thursday 5th March, 7.00 p.m. **First Holy Communion**, Sunday 10th May, 12.00 noon.

- ★ The Parish Pastoral Council will meet in "The Hill", on Tuesday week, 18th, at 8.30 p.m. In addition to the agenda the meeting will facilitate the distribution of Collection Envelopes, 2015.
- № Newtowncashel Guild I.C.A. holds its November meeting in "The Hill" on Tuesday 11th, at 8.00 p.m. All members are asked to attend. New members will be very welcome.

★ St. Mary's School recently underwent a Whole School Evaluation - Management, Leadership and Learning (WSE-MLL). The evaluation was intensive, the verbal verdict very positive. A full report will be posted on the Department's website in three months' time.

№ Congratulations to

Mary Flanagan and Barry Burke, who were married on Friday, 7th November.

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- ▶ Newtowncashel Drama Group will perform "Cliff's Edge" by Paul Beard in round 2 of the All Ireland One-Act Drama Festival, at An Grianán Theatre, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal, on Friday 14th. Tickets are available from the theatre box office, © 074 912 0777. Round 3 is at the Bog Lane Theatre, Ballymahon, on Sunday 16th. Tickets from Breege Murray, © 090 643 2230. As seating is limited at Bog Lane prompt booking is advised to avoid disappointment.
- **▼** Contributions to the **Monthly Collection** for November, this weekend, please.
- Recent Collection totals:-

The Feast of All Saints €290.00.

The Feast of All Souls €665.00. Thank you very much.

№ Masses for the Dead:-

Saturday 8th, 8.00 p.m., Jack & Kathleen, and Brigid Clyne, Caltrabeg, and Brid Baxter, Longford.

Sunday 9th, 10.30 a.m., Rose & Frank Slevin, Frank Slevin Jnr., and Frances Slevin Campbell, Cornadough.

Monday 10th, 8.00 p.m., John Smyth, Tipper.

Tuesday 11th, 9.30 a.m., Deceased parishioners, relatives and friends.

Friday 14th, 9.30 a.m., Joseph Connor, Carrowdunican.

Saturday 15th, 8.00 p.m., Deceased members of the Kenny, Gallagher and Moughty Families, New Row, Donegal and Ballinahinch.

Sunday 16th, 10.30 a.m., James & Margaret Sweeney, Greenhall Upper, and Carmel Belton, Dublin.

Mass for Deceased Staff Members of E.S.B., Lanesboro, will be celebrated in the Sports and Social Club House, on Wednesday 12th, at 8.00 p.m. Lanesboro staff, past and present, and family members of deceased staff, are welcome.

The Annual Mass for Deceased Pioneers of the Longford Region, will be celebrated in St. Mary's Church, Newtownforbes, on Friday, 21st November, at 7.00 p.m. All Pioneers are welcome and encouraged to attend. Please pray for:-

Fr. Thomas Flynn, C.C. Granard, and formerly P.P. Killoe, who died on Tuesday 4th, aged 76 years.

John Ryder, Ballinahinch, who died on Wednesday 5th.

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THE THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 15th/16th November. 2014

The Parable
of the
Talents

Brian Cody selects his team according to the performance and commitment shown by players during training. In the final reckoning, God will not require any more of us than to have performed to the best of our ability.

- Mass on Saturday (Vigil), 8.00 p.m.; Sunday, 10.30 a.m.; Monday, 8.00 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 9.30 a.m.
- Sunday 16th is the Feast of St. Margaret of Scotland, 1045-1093, influenced reform in the Church.

Sunday 16th, St. Gertrude, 1256-1302, promoted devotion to the Sacred Heart, patron saint of the West Indies.

Monday 17th, St. Elizabeth of Hungary, 1207-1231, queen, woman of prayer.

Tuesday 18th, the Dedication of the Basilicas of St. Peter and St. Paul in Rome.

Wednesday 19th, St. Mechtilde, 1241-1298, German nun, teacher, singer and mystic. St. Gertrude was one of her pupils and recorded Mechtilde's mystic experiences which she called 'Conversations with Christ'.

Friday 21st, The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary – a feast which celebrates Mary's total dedication to God.

Saturday 22nd, St. Cecilia, virgin and martyr, patroness of musicians.

- "Do This in Memory". The First Communion children and their parents participate in the liturgy on Sunday next, 23rd, Feast of Christ the King.
- ★ The Junior Choir will rehearse in Church on Friday 21st, 6.00 to 7.00 p.m., in preparation for 'Do This in Memory'. All children who wish to participate are asked to attend the rehearsal.
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on Wednesdays, 4.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. There are vacancies for several more participants.
- Rosary. The weekly recitation of the Rosary continues on Fridays at 7.30 p.m. All are welcome.
- Vocations. exploreAway is a discernment programme for those considering a vocation to the priesthood or religious life. It is run by Sr. Gabrielle Farrell O.L.A., 087 358 4447, and Fr. Alan Neville M.S.C., 085 766 4480, who would be glad to hear from individuals who are interested. The programme is open to men and women between the ages of 21 and 40, and takes place over five monthly residential weekends beginning in December. Email: enquiries @exploreaway.net, www.exploreaway.
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- Regional Pioneer Annual Dinner Dance. Pioneers and their guests had a very enjoyable time in Abbeyshrule on Friday night. A word of thanks to "Chuck and June", The Rustic Inn, everyone who supported and those who worked behind the scenes to get people there and ensure their enjoyment. (See item below re. Mass for deceased Pioneers.)
- Arthritis Ireland, Longford Branch, will hold an Information Evening in The Family Centre, Longford, on Tuesday 18th, from 7.00 p.m. Patrick Durkan, Podiatrist, is guest speaker. Step Forward Ireland, will offer free consultations. The A.G.M. takes place on the same night.
- ▲ Lanesboro Community College open day takes place on Thursday 20th. Fifth and sixth class pupils from local schools are invited. An open night follows for parents as does enrolment of students. Principal's address at 7.00 p.m. All are welcome.
- ☼ Community Games, officers elected at recent A.G.M. President, Mattie Reid; Chairperson, Liam Bermingham; Vice Chairperson, Gary Beattie; Secretary, Christy Hopkins; Assistant Secretary, Joe Mulvihill; Treasurer, Anne Bannon; Development Officer, John Morrissey; P.R.O., John Kenny; Children's Officer, Emma Murray.
- ➡ Harvest Festival. At a recent function Longford Harvest Festival Committee presented to St. Christopher's Services a cheque for €5,000.00, proceeds of the Harvest Festival and Working Field Day, held in Newtowncashel on Sunday, 31st August. The donation is a timely boost to St. Christopher's which is currently under severe financial pressure. Well done to the chairman, committee and all who contributed to the success of the Festival.
- **▼** Contributions to the **Heating Collection** are due next weekend, please.
- Recent collection totals:- Propagation of the Faith......€520.00.
 Sunday last......€845.00. Thank you very much.
- Masses for the Dead:-

Saturday 15th, 8.00 p.m., Deceased members of the Kenny, Gallagher and Moughty Families, New Row, Donegal and Ballinahinch.

Sunday 16th, 10.30 a.m., James & Margaret Sweeney, Greenhall Upper, and Carmel Belton, Dublin.

Monday 17th, 8.00 p.m., Pat, Molly and Annie Forde, Forthill

Tuesday 18th, 9.30 a.m., Deceased parishioners, relatives and friends.

Saturday 22nd, 8.00 p.m., Michael & Annie McArdle, Cormaglava.

Sunday 23rd, 10.30 a.m., Annie Mai Kenny, Derrydarragh.

Mass will be celebrated in **St. Joseph's Care Centre Chapel** on Tuesday 18th, at 6.30 p.m. for all who died at St. Joseph's during the past year, deceased staff members, deceased relatives of staff and all whose removals took place from the chapel during that time. All are welcome, particularly relatives and friends of the deceased.

The Annual Mass for Deceased Pioneers of the Longford Region, will be celebrated in St. Mary's Church, Newtownforbes, on Friday 21st, at 7.00 p.m. All Pioneers are welcome and encouraged to attend.

This Sunday, 16th, is **World Day of Remembrance** for road traffic victims. We remember in prayer, the dead, the maimed, the bereaved.

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