

## PARISH OF CASHEL NEWSLETTER 29th May 2016 The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

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Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life and I will raise him on the last day



## Mass Times as follows:

Sunday: 10.30am;

Monday & Friday: 8pm. Tuesday & Thursday 9.30am. <u>No Mass on Wednesday</u>. Saturday next Vigil Mass 8pm.

## Masses for the Dead:

Sat 28th May 8.00pm "La na gclub" Deceased Club Members & Parishioners.

Sun 29th May 10.30am Deceased Members of the Murray Family, Claras.

Mon 30th May 8.00pm Special Intention.

Tues 31st May 9.30am Special Intention.

Thurs 2nd June 9.30am Special Intention.

Fri 3rd June 8.00pm Bernard & Brigid Dowd

& Deceased Family Members, Fortwilliam.

Sat 4th June 8.00pm Patrick & Christina Skelly, Curroole.

Sun 5th June 10.30am Michael, Anne & Christopher Donnelly, Ballagh.

Mon 6th June 8.00pm Special Mass for Exam Students.

We pray for the happy repose of the souls of Matt Skelly, Caltramore and Nan Creed, late of Newtowncashel who died recently.

First Friday calls will be make on Thursday and Friday of this week.

Please let me know if there is anyone in hospital that you would like me to visit. Confessions will continue next Saturday before the Vigil Mass 7pm to 7.30pm. Recitation of the Rosary concludes for the summer this Friday evening at 7.30pm. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues every Wednesday 4pm—8pm.

Recent Collection: 22nd May: Offertory €755. Thank you for your generosity.

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May is a massive and very special day for the Club and Parish as we celebrate La Na gClubanna at Pairc Chiaran. The day's events commence with "Coaching Clinic" by the Senior Football Panel for all underage Teams at 5.15p.m., followed at 7p.m. by mass for deceased Club Member and Parishioners. After mass we proceed to the Parish Hall, "The Hill" at 8p.m. for launch and release of Anniversary Book " 125 Years of Cashel G.A.A." by local Author Jimmy Casey N.T. with our special guest, Stadium Director of Croke Park and Cashel native, Peter McKenna, plus refreshments, music and entertainment.

The night will also feature the promotion and releasing of details of our major Fundraiser of the year, "Night at the Dogs", at Mullingar Race Track on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July.

This will be followed by Seisiún and entertainment at "The Local". A splendid night's entertainment is assured so we extend a warm Cead Mile Failte to all.

Celebrate the 8th: 3pm to 4pm Saturday 4th June, Molesworth St. Dublin. Join us to celebrate Ireland's Right to Life Amendment. Invite family, friends and colleagues. We can save the 8th if we stand united.

St. Christopher's Services Church Gate Collection takes place this weekend at all Churches. Please support.

Reflection: There was an old sea-captain once, who on his retirement took up a part-time summer job as a skipper of a boat taking tourists to the Shetland islands. On one particular trip, a very rough and rowdy group of passengers came on board. Always, before setting off, the old captain would say a prayer for a safe journey. When the boisterous group heard him pray out loud, they erupted in laughter and mockery. However, sometime later, and far out from land, a storm suddenly blew up. The boat pitched violently as the waves grew higher; rain torrented down, lightning sundered the sky and thunder peeled. The bravest and the boldest of the passengers were now reduced to quivering wrecks. They were sure the little boat would go down and their last moment had arrived. The captain's greatest abusers were the first to turn to him: "You're a religious man, sir! Please lead us in a prayer before we go down", they pleaded with him. The old man ignored them. Beseeching his forgiveness, they insisted all the more earnestly. Finally, he replied. What he said was as stunning as it was simple. "Listen! I say my prayers when it is calm when it is stormy ...... I tend to my ship".

Moral: How can we expect God to listen to us if we only turn to Him when we are in stormy waters. A mature relationship with the Lord means being faithful to Him day by day when all is going well. Today's Gospel is a metaphor for the Mass - The Body and Blood of Christ. It is the food for the soul that answers all my hungers - But it will only work if I show the Lord it means enough for me to come every Sunday, not just when the storms of life come upon me.