

CLONGUISSH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

Mon: 9.00am. **Tues.** 9.00am. **Wed:** 9.00am. **Thurs:** 9.00am. **Fri:** 7.00pm

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil. Margaret & Frank McVeigh./Deceased members of the McCann family. **10.30am.** Deceased members of the McGee family.

Fri: 7.00pm. May McGuinness.

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: Michael Hagan and Deirdre Togher **10.30am.** Peter and Ellen Murphy./Patrick Donegan and deceased family members.

Rest in Peace

Our prayers are requested for the happy repose of the soul of **Frank Mulvey, Kilmore, whose funeral was on Wednesday, in St Mel's Cathedral. May he rest in peace.**

Last weekend collection €1,562. Thank you.

Next Weekend

Readers: Vigil: Eugene O'Brien

10.30am: Patricia O'Brien

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10.30am: Margaret Corcoran

Feast Day

June 9th

St Columba (Colmcille) Abbot

June 11th

St Barnabas (Apostle)

He was born on the Island of Cyprus. He became a companion of St Paul on his missionary journeys.

Baptisms

*We welcome into the Christian family **Óisín James Reilly, Castle Glen, Ruan Christiaan Visser, Kilcloon, Co Meath and Curryline and Nicholas James Mahon, Newtownforbes. We pray God's blessing on the newly baptized and on their families.***

Best Wishes: *Best wishes to all our young people starting their exams.*

Restoration

In this section of Luke's Gospel, Jesus speaks through his actions and today we hear about a miracle of resurrection. This widow has nothing left, her security and her loved ones are gone. Jesus reaches out to her, crossing cultural boundaries, as to come in contact with a dead body according to the laws of the time would make one 'unclean'. The crowd must have been shocked as Jesus moved towards the bier. No one approaches Jesus or asked him to intervene in this situation. **He acts out of deep sympathy and compassion for the woman who has lost her only son.**

Often we can give up on people, those who suffer addiction, refugees, prisoners, people who endure one tragedy after another. In today's Gospel, we see an example of Jesus restoring someone to life. He reaches through the social, moral and cultural stigmas of the time and performs the ultimate miracle. We can ask 'did he really do this?', is this possible? But one clear interpretation of the passage for us today is that Jesus restores people; Here stores life to the son. He restores the son to his mother. He restores the crowd's faith through his deep compassion. Through Jesus, the crowd experience God's presence among them in a time of total despair. Today we might recall moments where God reaches into our desperate situations and restored life.

Jane Mellett . (Intercom Magazine)

Parish Pastoral Council

The June meeting of the **Parish Pastoral Council** is on Tuesday June 7th at 8.00pm.

Relics of St Anthony

The visit of the Relics of St Anthony of Padua, (the saint of lost things) to St Mel's Cathedral is on **Tuesday, June 14th** Masses at 1.00pm and 6.30pm. with veneration of the relics up to 8.00 pm.

Revamp 3R Store

Revamp restores unused furniture that is fit for resale. We also repair and upholster items for customers. Visit our showroom at Mastertech Business Park, Athlone Road, phone 043 33 48876. Revamp is a non-profit project, all proceeds go to supporting training and employment opportunities.

Blessed Alexandria- Meeting, Family Centre, Sat. June 11th @ 8.30pm.