

CLONGUISSH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

No weekday Masses this week

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil: Tom Maguire

10.30am. Mary Carmel Barden

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: Tommy Nevin / Conor O'Reilly 10.30am. Michael Warren / Mary McGrath.

Last weekend Collection: € Thank you.

Next Weekend

Readers—Vigil: Clodagh McCann	10.30am Patricia O'Brien
E.Ms. Vigil: Geraldine Halpin	10.30am. Patricia Donegan

Feast Day

August 8th

St Dominic (1170-1221)

In 1215, he founded a religious house at Toulouse, France, the beginning of the **Order of Preachers (Dominicans)** It was into this religious order that the former Manchester United and Northern Ireland international footballer, **Phillip Mulryan** was ordained a priest recently.

August 9th St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (1891-1942)

Edith Stein, a Jewish convert, a Carmelite nun, died in Auschwitz concentration in 1942. She was canonized in 1998.

Knock Shrine Counselling Service

This is an opportunity to discuss difficult or challenging life issues in a caring and confidential environment, one to one. No appointment necessary. There is no charge.

Times: Thursday 10.00am-5.00pm, Friday 2.00pm-5.00pm, Saturday & Sunday: 11.00am-5.00pm.

The Mountain Top

Mountain tops are often seen as places where people encounter God. Jesus takes the disciples to the mountain top to pray, to a quiet place, away from all the attention and the crowds. They have the most wonderful experience as we read in the gospel today.

Can you recall a place where you have felt deep peace or a sense of experiencing God? In nature or in the places you go to for some 'Time out' for yourself? Perhaps it is in special moments with family and friends; times of joy or sorrow. These 'mountain top experiences' nourish us, can bring us insights or help deal with difficult periods in our lives. They can bring feelings of euphoria, deep joy and blessing and often sustain us in life.

No wonder the disciples wanted to build 'three dwellings' so that Moses, Elijah and Jesus would stay with them like this forever. However, we cannot remain in these experiences forever. Jesus' way involves both time for encounters with mystery but also coming down from the mountain and continuing on life's journey and mission.

Tax Relief for Donations to eligible Charities

Would all who have received forms to sign recently please do so and return them this week. If you have signed within the last five years you would not have got a form at this time

Mary's Meals Charity Walk

This is a nine-day Charity Walk from **Dublin to Knock** starting on August 7th and finishing in Knock on August 15th. **The walkers will be in Longford on Saturday August 12th.** Mary's Meals is a charity, that provides meals in school for African children stopping the cycle of poverty. Just €16 feeds a child in school for one year. For further information call **085 8037479** or **074 9121021 (see notice board)**

Knock National Novena

The novena is from August 14 – August 22. The theme for this year's National Novena is '**Living life to the full**' Ceremonies take place twice daily at **3.00pm and 8.30pm** (Sundays and holidays at 2.30pm.) Accommodation is available if required at **Knock House Hotel** from €85pps. Hotel is a just a five- minute walk from the Basilica.

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