

CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

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

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil: Michael Power (*Months memory*)

10.30am.: Peter & Patricia Mimmagh. **Mon.** 9.00am. John Henry.

Tues. 7.00pm. Bartley & Cecelia Mahon & Ellie Cronin.

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: Peggy & George White & George White Jnr, & Lena Scanlon.

10.30am. P J Bennett (*Months memory*) / Dr Gerald & Maureen

Donnelly / Noel & Bridgett Piggott.

Last weekend Collection: €1316. Thank you.

Next Weekend

Readers—Vigil: Margaret Kilbane **10.30am:** Sean Devlin

E.Ms. Vigil: James Quinn **10.30am.** Michelle Ghee

Feast Days

Dec. 3rd

St Francis Xavier (1506- 1552)

He was a Jesuit missionary who converted many in Goa (India) and later in Japan.

Dec 6th

St Nicholas

St Nicholas was a fourth century bishop of Myra (Turkey). He is patron of Russia and the original Father Christmas, Santa Claus.

First Friday

*Friday next is the **First Friday**. The usual house calls will be done at the usual times*

Confirmation

*Enrolment ceremony is today, Sunday at 10.30am Mass. We welcome the **Confirmandi** and their families & teachers. Confirmation is on **Tuesday May 19th at 3.00pm.***

Advent Safeguarding Message 2019

Bishop Francis Duffy

Arising from our preparations for the **Diocesan Assembly** in May 2020, it is very clear that family is a central concern for people. Advent is a time of preparation to celebrate the beginning of a special family, ‘**the Holy Family**’ of Mary and Joseph and Jesus. Special, as it is the place where the son of God came among us. Special also, because it is like any other family with its mixtures of joys and sorrows, happiness and burdens. As a local church we work towards having safe environments for children in our activities. Places where parents can be reassured their children will be safe, treated with respect and valued. Many are involved at parish and diocesan level to maintain these standards. I thank you for your vigilance and your commitment to make our church as safe as possible for children.

I encourage anyone with concerns regarding the safety of children or anyone who suffered in the past to contact the **Designated Liaison Person, Sean Leydon** (087 7431649) or the **Deputy Liaison Person, Roisin Doherty** (087 7057516).

Longford Alzheimer’s Society

The newly formed social club meets every **Friday from 3.00-5.00pm** in the **Convent Day Care Centre, Ballymahon**. The social club is for people with dementia and their carers. For further information- 0876721522 or 043 3348402.

Parish Calendar 2020

The calendar is with the printers and should be on sale in the sacristy and local shops by mid-week. Price €3.

Longford CCE Group

The launch of **Leabhar Fonn – Book of Tunes** is in McGowan’s Bar on Friday Dec. 6th at 9.00pm.

Sacred Heart Messenger

This famous monthly magazine can now be ordered by post. Contact Elizabeth Foley, Messenger Publications, 37 Lower Leeson St, Dublin 2. 01 7758530. The Messenger is a Jesuit publication.

Bus to Knock

A bus is leaving Longford on **Friday Dec. 7th at 7.00pm** for an all- night vigil for the feast of the **Immaculate Conception**. 087 2487883.

