

CLONGUISSH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

Fri.9.00am.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil: *Michael Hagan & Deirdre Togher. / Liz O'Brien.*

10.30am. *No special intention. Fri :9.00am John Bohan Jnr & Snr & Kate Bohan*

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: *Deceased members of the McGee family. 10.30am: No Special intention 12.00 Noon: Cemetery Sunday Mass in cemetery.*

Last weekend Collection: €1.100 Thank you.

Next Weekend

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| Readers—Vigil: | <i>Clodagh McCann</i> | 10.30am. | <i>Margo Gearty</i> |
| E.Ms. Vigil: | <i>James Quinn</i> | 10.30am. | <i>Joanne Quinn</i> |

Feast Day

June 24th

Nativity of St John the Baptist

Priests Retreat

*The annual Priests Retreat is on this week, starting Sunday evening and finishing on Thursday evening. The venue is **Dalgan Park**, Navan, Co. Meath. Should a priest be needed urgently please call **043 3346465**.*

Cemetery Sunday

*Sunday June 25th is Cemetery Sunday. Mass will be celebrated in the cemetery at 12.00noon. The graves in the **Old Cemetery** will be blessed after Mass.*

Traffic Chaos

To avoid the problem we had last year, with parking at the cemetery, as many people as possible should park their cars at the church or in the village and walk to the cemetery. Its less than a half mile walk.

The Body of Christ

Many times in the Gospels, Jesus describes himself as ‘bread.’ In today’s gospel on the **Feast of Corpus Christi**, Jesus calls himself ‘**the bread of life**’ and tells us whoever eats this bread will live forever. As he often does, Jesus is using everyday language to help make his point. Just as bread is something that helps our bodies to live and grow, Jesus is reminding us that the way to keep our spirits strong and alive is to follow his example. Jesus is food for our souls in the same way that real bread is food for our bodies.

When Jesus said to his disciples at the last supper, ‘**Take and eat**’, he was at the same time calling on them to stand where he stood, to live out the communion with him they shared at the table after they had left the upper room.

When we receive the Eucharist we too are declaring that we too are committing ourselves to live by his values, to walk in his way, to be shaped by his spirit.

We come to **Mass** not only to receive from **Jesus**, but also to give to him, to commit to being in communion with him. It is making a statement that we will stand with the Lord in all our comings and goings.

Wedding Bells

Congratulations and best wishes to **David Barden**, Kilmore Lower, and **Daphne Howard**, Creenagh, who were married in **St Paul’s Church** on Saturday. We wish the newlyweds every blessing in the times ahead.

Irish Cancer Society- Thanks

The recent Church Gate Collection realized **€372.44** Thanks.

Siamsa- Irish Language Course

It will take place from Monday July 3rd to Friday July 7th in **Gaelscoil, Longfoirt**, from 9.30am- 3.00pm each day and will cater for students from First Class to Sixth Class. Info: **Yvonne**, at 087 2462665

Farmers Take Note

An important information meeting on rush control & water quality will be held in the **Bornacoola Community Centre** on Tuesday June 20th @ 8.30pm. Further information- 094 9620160.

Readers Rota

Mass readers please collect new rota in the sacristy after Mass.