

CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

Tues. 7.00pm Wed. 10.30am Thurs 9.00am Fri 9.00am.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil: *Tommy Nevin.*

10.30am: *Michael Warren / Mary McGrath / Sinead McGuinness*

Tues. 7.00pm: *Tommy & Kathleen Allen.*

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: *Mary & Peter Gallagher* 10.30: *David Burkhill.*

Last weekend Collection: €1090 .00. Thank you.

Next Weekend

Readers—Vigil: <i>Eugene O'Brien</i>	10.30am. <i>Cathal Sorohan</i>
E.Ms. Vigil: <i>James Quinn</i>	10.30am. <i>Patricia Donegan</i>

Feast Days

Aug. 14th **St Maximilian Kolbe (1894-1941)**

Maximilian Kolbe was a Polish Franciscan priest who sacrificed his life to save the life of a fellow prisoner in Auschwitz.

Aug. 15th **The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Mass times for the feast of The Assumption; Tuesday 7.00pm and Wednesday 10.30am.

Aug. 18th **Our Lady of Knock**

Knock Novena

This year's novena is from August 14th to August 22. The ceremonies are held each day at 3.00pm and 8.30pm.

Bus to Drogheda

A bus to Drogheda is organized for Thursday next to visit the shrine of St Oliver Plunkett. Bus is departing from St Mel's car park. For further information call 043 6686697.

Food for the Journey

In today's first reading, the prophet **Elijah** sits down under a bush. He is on his last legs, having escaped into the desert to avoid capture and death. At this low point, a day's journey into the wilderness, he has had enough. **He finds himself begging God to take his life.**

It is a moment that will speak to many of us who are struggling. Things can get on top of us. We sometimes feel alone, that our road is all uphill, and there is nothing to do but give up. Yet when **Elijah** is at his lowest point, even getting ready to die, he finds he is not alone. The comforting presence of God is with him, offering sustenance to help him on his journey.

Elijah's response to God is at first reluctant, he lies straight back down again. But with a second round of encouragement and more food he is on his feet and able to continue his journey, replenished and renewed. At the moment he felt most abandoned and alone, God was closer than ever.

Triona Doherty- Intercom Magazine

World Meeting of Families

The official opening of the **WMOF** in the diocese of Ardagh & Clonmacnois will take place in St Mel's Cathedral, on **Tuesday August 21st at 7.30pm**. This celebration, which includes a solemn evening prayer, is taking place simultaneously **in all cathedrals in Ireland**.

There is an expectation that each parish will be represented at the ceremony; the parish banners will be carried in procession.

A diocesan led choir will lead the singing of the psalms, Litany of the Saints and the hymns.

Vigil Mass Time Change

It has been decided to change the time of the vigil Mass on Saturday Aug. 25th. Many people who attend that Mass will want to watch the Festival of Families celebrations in Croke Park which starts at 6.30pm.

and continues to 9.00pm. **The new time for the vigil Mass on that evening will be 5.45pm.**

Bingo

Bingo is on today at 3.00pm. in the Paddy Joe Murphy Sports Hall, with the usual great prizes on offer. Please support.