

# CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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### MASSES THIS WEEK

*Mon 7.00pm..Thurs 9.00am, Fri.9.00am.*

### ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

**Vigil 7.00pm:** *Patrick & Anne Devlin. 10.30am: Eugene Kelly (Month's memory) / Mary Bryson / John & Patrick McGivney / Matthew & Margaret O'Hara.*

### ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

**Vigil 7.30pm:** *No special intention. 10.30am: No special intention.*

**Last weekend Collection:** €1042 *Thank you.*

On Line contributions

**IBAN: IE34 AIBK 9321 4026 9364 22 (BIC: AIBKIE2D).** *The Parish of Clonguish A/C is with the A I B bank, Longford.*

### Next Weekend

**Readers – Vigil:** *Clodagh McCann 10.30 am : Anne Devlin*

**E.Ms. – Vigiiil:** *Martin Ross 10.30 am: Elizabeth Moore*

### Feast Days

**Nov.30<sup>th</sup>**

**St Andrew (apostle)**

*Andrew was St Peter's brother. Both were called by Jesus to be a follower at the same time. Little is said about Andrew in the Gospels. Before the multiplication of the loaves, it was Andrew who spoke up about the boy who had the barley loaves and fishes.*

### First Friday

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

### Knock Night Vigil – Bus

*Bus leaves Connolly Barracks @ 7.30pm on December 7<sup>th</sup>. To book a seat call 087 2487883.*

## Christ The King

Today's Gospel reading is the last teaching that Jesus gives before he begins the journey of his passion and death. This Gospel reading is the culmination of Jesus' teaching in **St Matthew's Gospel**. It brings together all the teaching Jesus has been engaged in during his public ministry. The location of this teaching suggests it is a teaching we really need to pay attention to. The great mystic **St John of the Cross** expresses in a very succinct way the essence of the teaching of Jesus in our Gospel reading: *"In the evening of life, we shall be judged on love"* Jesus had earlier declared that all the law and the prophets hang on two great commandments *'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind'* and *'You shall love your neighbour as yourself'* Now in this parable Jesus seems to be saying that in loving the neighbour – especially the broken, needy, neighbour we are loving him. It is not without good reason that today's Gospel reading has been described as one of the defining texts of the Christian faith. **Martin Hogan**

### Wedding Bells

Congratulations and best wishes to **Ailbhe O'Brien**, Lamagh and **Paddy Collum**, Lettergullion, Ballinamuck who were married in St Mary's church, Newtownforbes on Saturday last. Also to **Nancy Healy**, Castle Park and **Nial O'Dowd**, Tullyboy, Boyle, Co Roscommon who were married in St Mary's church on Friday. We wish the newly weds every blessing.

### Weekly Envelopes

The weekly envelope boxes for 2024 are ready for distribution. They may be collected in the sacristy. We are very grateful to those who distribute the boxes each year.

### The Samaritans

Their free to call Confidential Line number is **116 123**. This is a twenty four hour service.

