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MASSES THIS WEEK

Mon.7.00pm Tues 9.00am Thurs. 9.00am Fri. 9.00am

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Vigil: Philamena Doyle / Patrick & Anne Devlin.

10.30am: No special intention. **Mon**, 7.00pm: Mary Costello.

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: Thomas Farrell |Lily & Frank Casey | Kathleen & James Farrell. **10.30am**: No special intention.

Rest in Peace

Our prayers are requested for the happy repose of the soul of Mary Conlon, Shrygarrow, whose funeral was on Thursday. May she Rest in Peace.

Last weekend Collection: €1220 *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 O'Brien. E.Ms. – Vigil: Carmel O'Shea. 10.30 am. Bernie Reilly.

Feast Days

Nov. St Elizabeth of Hungary (1207-1231)

She was a widow, a woman of prayer and servant of the poor

World Day of the Poor (today)

Pope Francis established this day and said that it would serve as "the worthiest way to prepare for the celebration of **Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ** (Sunday next) who identified with the little ones and the poor and who will judge us on our works of mercy."

A Robust Faith

In the Gospel we have just heard, **Jesus** talks to his disciples about the darkness that will come their way. When they comment on the beautiful building that was the **Temple** in **Jerusalem**, he tells them bluntly that one day it will all be destroyed. The fall of the **Temple** is but one element of a very dark scene that **Jesus** describes – a scene that includes natural disasters, terrible wars and the persecution of his own followers. **Jesus** is very alert to the darker side of life at this time, because he was on the point of having to face into his own very personal experience of darkness.

Jesus clearly wanted his disciples to have a faith that was robust enough to deal with the darkness of evil and suffering. He wants all of us to have a faith that endures. "Your endurance will win you your lives" he says.

An enduring faith is ready to hope against hope. As **Christians**, our lives are shaped by the events of **Easter Sunday**. The evil and sin that was the hill **Calvary** was not the last word. **God** worked powerfully through that dark experience for the healing and salvation of all.

Fr Martin Hogan

Wedding Bells

Congratulations & best wishes to **Grainne Moore**, Clonteagh & **Declan Filan**, Ballinameen, Co Roscommon who were married in St Mary's church, Newtownforbes on Friday. We wish the newly weds every blessing.

Memorial Mass

A memorial Mass for the happy repose of the souls of all those who died in 2022 will be celebrated on **Sunday November 20**th at 10.30am. A candle will be lit in memory of each of the deceased and family members are invited to attend.

Adoration: Each Wednesday evenings for **1 hour**, from **7.00pm** to **8.00pm**.