

CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

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

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil: *No special intention. 10.30am: Margaret & Mattie O'Hara*

Fri. 7.00pm: *Margaret & Patrick McCormack.*

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: *No special intention. 10.30am.: Peter & Patricia Mimmagh.*

Last weekend Collection: € 1377. *Thank you.*

On Line contributions

IBAN: IE34 AIBK 9321 4026 9364 22 (BIC: AIBKIE2D)

A number of people have inquired about contributing to the weekly envelope and the dues collections on line. To do so you need the above details. The Parish of Clonguish A/C is with the A I B bank, Longford.

Next Weekend

Readers – Vigil:	10.30 am
E.Ms. - Vigil:	10.30 am

Feast Days

Dec. 14th St John of the Cross (1542-1591)

A Carmelite, John was a very good poet, a spiritual writer and a man of prayer. He worked to reform the Carmelite Order.

Dec. 18th St Flannan

Flannan lived in the 7th century. He is closely associated with Co Clare and the diocese of Killaloe.

Baptism

We welcomed into the Christian Community on Sunday last, Sean Alexander Kiernan, Leitrin Cross. We pray God's blessing for the newly baptized and his family.

Christmas 2020

With the feast of the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ less than two weeks away its time to give some thought to how we might celebrate the feast in this year of pandemic.

The Catholics bishop's Conference announced earlier this year that there is no obligation to attend Mass during the pandemic. **The obligation to attend Mass this Christmas remains suspended.**

Those who are vulnerable or feel unwell should stay at home.

It's possible to experience the richness of the season in many ways. The age-old tradition of having a **Christmas crib** in one's home is an opportunity for private and family reflection at home.

Family and households can pay a visit to our church at some time during the twelve days of Christmas and pray together for their families and those impacted by the pandemic. **There will be Mass each morning during the twelve days of Christmas.**

All charities will welcome much needed contributions as they have been unable to raise funds.

We pray that the time will soon come when sorrow will ease and loving connection can be fully restored.

Christmas Mass Times: Christmas Eve- 6.00pm, 7.30pm. & 9.00pm.

Christmas Day- 9.30am & 11.00am.

Envelope Boxes

The boxes for 2021 are ready for distribution. We are grateful for the work our volunteers do in distributing the boxes each year. The boxes can be collected in the **Parochial House.**

Parish Calendar

The parish calendar for 2021 is on sale at the moment. **The price is €3.** Please support.

Covid 19 Support Line

ALONE is the name of a support line for older people who have concerns relating to the virus **Covid 19.** Professional staff are available to answer queries, and give advice and reassurance when necessary. This service is open 7 days a week, 8.00am to 8.00pm. Phone 0818222024.