

CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

Mon: 10.30am. and 7.00pm. **Tues:** 9.00am. **Wed:** 9.00am.
Thurs: 9.00am. **Fri:** 7.00pm.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil: *Tommie Nevin / Michael Warren* **10.30am.** *Mary McGrath.*
Mon: 7.00pm. *Tommy and Kathleen Allen.* **Fri: 7.00pm.** *Margaret Feeney (Months Mind).*

NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: *Peter Gallagher.* **10.30am:** Not booked.

Last week Collection: €1,170. Thank you.

Next Weekend

Readers—Vigil: *John Barry* **10.30am.** *Angela Reynolds*
E.Ms. Vigil: *Geraldine Halpin* **10.30am.** *Joann Quinn*

Feast Day

August 15th **The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

On November 1st in 1950 Pope Pius XII defined the Assumption of Mary to be a dogma of faith. “We pronounce, declare and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma that the Immaculate mother of God ever Virgin Mary having completed the course of her early life, was assumed body and soul to Heavenly Glory”. Masses: Monday: 10.30am & 7.00pm.

Aug. 20th **St Bernard (1091—1153)**

St Bernard was a Cistercian Monk and was chosen Abbot of Clairvaux the famous Cistercian Monastery (France) in 1115.

Baptism

We welcome into the Christian Community Ruairi Óg McGregor Tompkins, Lismoy and Edinburgh on Sunday last, we pray God’s blessing on the newly baptised and his family.

Not Peace At Any Price

Every time we attend Mass, we remember the words Jesus told his disciples, “**Peace I leave you, my peace I give to you.**” And we then exchange a greeting of peace. But in today’s gospel reading, Jesus tells us that he has come not to establish peace on the earth but rather for division. Can he have it both ways? What are we to make of this?

Peace means different things to different people and in different times. To some, peace means that everything is quiet, there are no disturbance; law and order prevail. These *may* be signs of real peace, but maybe not. Underneath the surface tranquillity, there may be **injustice, racism, sexism, ageism, economic exploitation, religious discrimination, and many other kinds of oppression.** There may be laws passed to perpetuate these kind of oppression, and people can get into trouble for protesting or acting against them. That’s not real peace; that’s violence disguised as respectability. The command to love our neighbour obliges us to protest against mistreatment and to struggle for justice. That can create division. It can even get people thrown into jail. When Martin Luther King, Jr and others fought for radical justice, they were called “**outside agitators.**” They followed the example of Jesus and tried to “**set the earth on fire.**”

What would Jesus say about the way we live today? He would see much that is good, but also much that still needs to be done. What kind of fires would he like to start around here?

Sundays with Jesus—James DiGiacomo, SJ.

Wedding Bells

Congratulations and best wishes to **Paul Costello**, Briskill and **Fiona Gallagher**, Drumkeeran, Co. Leitrim, who were married in St Brigids Church, Creevelae, on Friday. We wish the newlyweds. every blessing.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock

The pilgrimage is on Sunday September 4th. Bus leaves the village at 10.45. Tickets €16. **Knock Novena** is on from August 14th—August 22.

Leaving Cert. Results

We keep in our thoughts and prayers our young people who will receive their exam results next Wednesday.

Bingo: Today (Sunday) in the P.J. Murphy Memorial Hall Sports Hall at 3pm. usual prizes.

