

CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

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

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil: *Daniel Hopkins & his uncle Joseph Hopkins.*

10.30am: *Kevin & Nora Williams*

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: *No special intention. 10.30am: Vincent & Anna Rose Reilly*

Last weekend Collection: €715.00. *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

May 20th Christobal Magallanes & Companions (1915-1928)

Christobal Magallanes and his 24 companion martyrs lived under a very anti catholic government in Mexico, one determined to weaken the faith of its people. Magallanes was forced to minister secretly. All of these martyrs were diocesan priests except three. They were beatified in 1992 and canonized eight years later.

Baptism

The following were recently welcomed into the Christian community on Saturday last, Noah Thomas Manning, Ballagh. We pray God's blessing on his family.

Go out to the whole world

Today marks the 55th World Communications Day. The theme this year is 'Come and See'. In his message to mark the occasion, Pope Francis emphasizes the importance of meeting people where they are, Just as Jesus did with those he encountered; **'We need to go and see them for ourselves, to listen to their stories and to confront reality, which always in some ways surprises us'**

All communication, he says, should strive to be clear and honest, whether in the media, on the internet, or in social interaction.

He has a special message for all those who use social media; **'Thanks to the internet we have the opportunity to report what we see, what is taking place before our eyes, and to share it with others. At the same time, the risk of misinformation being spread on social media has become evident to everyone. All of us are responsible for the communications we make, for the information we share, for the control we can exert over fake news by exposing it. All of us are to be witnesses of the truth'**

It is fitting that this day coincides with the Feast of the Ascension. Before he is taken into heaven, Jesus issues his final instructions, **'Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News to all creation.'** Our challenge is to communicate by encountering people, where they are and as they are.

Pope Francis says *'Teach us to go out and see, teach us to listen, not to entertain prejudices or draw hasty conclusions'*

Triona Doherty—Intercom magazine.

Churches Reopen

Up to 50 people can attend weekday and Sunday Masses, as was the case before the lockdown. Wearing of masks and social distancing still stands.

Church Web Cam

A web cam has been installed in our church and is now available to view. Our Web Cam address is, churchtv.ie/newtownforbes

