CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER MAY 15th 2022

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MASSES THIS WEEK Mon: 7.00pm Tues: 9.00am. Thurs. 9.00am. Fri. 9.00am. ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND Vigil: Daniel Hopkins & Joseph Hopkins. 10.30am: Shane Brennan. Mon.: 7.00pm: Mick & Betty Kane. ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEK Vigil: Ned Stokes. 10.30am: Joe Nicholson.

Last weekend Collection: €980. 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. Anne Marie Williams.10.30 am. Andrew Hanly.E.Ms. - Vigil: Geraldine Halpin.10.30 am. Elizabeth Moore.

Feast Days May 16th

St Brendan

St Brendan was a **Kerryman** who was born in 486. His name is connected with many places in Kerry. He founded a monastery at *Ardfert* and died in 578.

Baptisms

We welcomed into the Christian family last weekend, (1) Saorlaith Isobelle Fallon, Kilnore Lower. (2) Senan Michael Coyle, Longford / Newtownforbes, (3) Fiadh Rita Watters, Caslteknock / Curryline. We pray God's blessing on the newly baptized and their families.

First Holy Communion

Our First Holy Communion celebration is on **Saturday** *next. There will be two celebrations, one at* **12.00noon** *and one at* **2.00pm**.

Cemetery Sunday: Sunday June 26th at 12.00pm.

Love One Another

In the Gospel reading today **Jesus** calls upon us to love one another as he has loved us. He is calling for a love that goes beyond those we like. He is speaking of a love that shows itself in action, in behavior, even towards to those for whom we feel no great fondness or affection.

Jesus spoke those words just after he had washed the feet of his disciples on the night before he was crucified. Included among those whose feet Jesus washed was Judas. Judas had not left the room. Jesus was aware at this point that Judas had in mind to betray him. Yet, he did not hesitate to get down on his knees and wash Judas' feet along with the feet of the others. Jesus must have had feelings of distress and perhaps anger in the presence of Judas and yet he acted towards him as he did towards everyone else in the room that night. Here was Jesus emptying himself in the presence of someone who was about to betray him.

Having washed the feet of his disciples , including Judas, Jesus turned towards them, saying, '*I give you a new commandment: just as I have loved you, you too must love one another* 'He was calling on them, on us, to relate to one another as he had related to all men and women the following day as he hung upon the cross. *Fr Martin Hogan*

Eucharistic Ministers

Some Eucharistic Ministers might like to take a break at this time. Let Fr McGovern know if you would like to take a break.

This could also be a good time for others to serve the parish in this special ministry. Let Fr McGovern know if you would like to serve the parish as a Eucharistic Minister.

Bus to Knock

Sat. June 4th. Connolly Barracks 9.30am. Book A seat 087 9016062.