

CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

Mon. 9.00am Tues. 9.00am Wed. 9.00pm Thurs. 2.00pm Fri. 7.00pm.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil: *Pat & Maura Cooney / Thomas Farrell & Deceased family members. / Anne & Patrick Devlin.* **10.30am Michael Byrne.**

Mon. 9.00am: *Kevin & Nora Williams.* **Fri.: 7.00pm.** *Bridie & Owen Kiernan.*

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: *Eileen Quinn & deceased family members.* **10.30am:** *Jack & Billy Byrne.*

Last weekend Collection: €1165 Thank you.

Next Weekend

Readers—Vigil: <i>Eugene O'Brien</i>	10.30am: <i>Patricia O'Brien</i>
E.Ms. Vigil: <i>Garry Hughes</i>	10.30am: <i>Liam Belton</i>

Feast Days

Nov. 21st **Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Nov. 22nd **St Cecelia**

St Cecelia was an early Roman martyr. She is the patron saint of music and musicians.

Nov. 23rd **St Columban (543-615)**

He is remembered as one of the great Irish missionary monks. He died in Bobbio near Genoa in the monastery he founded there.

World Meeting of Families - Collection

Thanks to all who contributed to this special collection last weekend. A cheque for €900 has been forwarded to WMF.

Envelope Boxes 2019

*The boxes for 2019 are ready for distribution. The new envelopes come into effect on the first **Sunday of Advent**, December 2nd.*

New Horizon

Today's gospel is part of a farewell speech from Jesus to his followers in the last days of his earthly life. Jesus is revealing to his disciples something of the new order which is coming. He talks about the 'end times' and this can appear frightening at first.

However, if we reflect on this gospel, we might bring to mind something of those moments in our own lives when we felt like our world was ending. Perhaps it was the ending of a relationship, the death of a loved one, the end of one stage of your life. **Things which seemed so familiar and helped keep us secure suddenly changed.** These can be extremely difficult periods of one's life. It is during those times that someone comes to us offering prophecy of better times to come, of words that 'will not pass away'

Jesus is preparing his disciples for what is about to happen to him and with assurances that God's kingdom is far greater than any evil that is about to occur.

Whenever we experience trauma we keep going with the assurance that resurrection is all around us and a new way of being is on the horizon.

Jane Mellett- Intercom Magazine

November Mass for the Dead

All who died and whose funeral Mass was celebrated in our church since this time last year will be remembered and prayed for at a special **Mass on Nov. 24th (vigil)**. All family members and friends are invited. A candle will be lit in memory of each departed which a family member may take home with them after the Mass.

Craft Fair

The annual pre - Christmas charity craft fair is on this **Sunday** in the Paddy Joe Murphy Sports Hall from **10.30am- 3.00pm**. Admission is free. There will be a raffle and refreshments will be served. Please support.

Blood Donation Clinic

The Blood Donation Clinic will be in the Longford Arms Hotel on **Tuesday 20th, Wednesday 21st and Thursday November 22**, from **4.30-8.00pm each day**.