

TUESCLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

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

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Vigil 7.00pm: . Richard, Anna Mae & Margaret Gregg.

10.30am: No special intention.

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: 7.00pm: James Mahon & deceased members of the McGee family / John, Mick & Billy Kane / Margaret & Patrick Joseph Quinn & deceased family members. 10.30am: No special intention.

Last weekend Collection: €935. 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 McCann 10.30 am: Laura Hussey

E.Ms. – Vigil: Cathy Murphy 10.30 am: Michelle Feeney.

Feast Days

June 20th

The Irish Martyrs

Seventeen Irish Martyrs, men and women, cleric and lay, put to death for the Catholic faith between 1579-1654 were beatified by Pope John Paul 11 in 1992.

June 21st

St Aloysius Gonzaga

A Jesuit, he died in 1591. He worked in a plague hospital.

Lough Derg- Bus

The pilgrimage season has begun. The one day retreats started on May 1st. The three day pilgrimages begins on June 1st. The St Mel's pilgrimage to Lough Derg is from June 23rd -25th. Bus leaves from Connolly Barracks at 9.00am. To book a seat call 087 6613510

Bishop Paul Connell

This afternoon, at 3.00pm Fr Paul Connell, a native of Mullingar and a priest of the diocese of Meath will be ordained bishop of Ardagh and Clonmacnois. He is the fifteenth bishop of the combined diocese of Ardagh and Clonmacnois. Up until 1756 Clonmacnois was administered by the bishop of Meath.

On the day of his appointment Fr Paul said “ *As a church we live in interesting times, facing many challenges. Our society is in danger of losing the sense of the sacred. As we look around we see difficulties for the church on all sides. The temptation to despair is great but we must rather take courage and not be afraid*” Do not be afraid were the words of Jesus to the women who followed him to Calvary. Fr Paul went on to say “*We live in times of change. It is a challenging time to be a priest or a bishop*”. Our new bishop's motto is DEUS SPES MEA (God is my hope).

We wish Fr Paul every blessing as he takes on the role of bishop of our diocese. All are welcome to attend the ordination ceremony.

Cemetery Sunday

Sunday next is cemetery Sunday. Mass will be celebrated in the cemetery at 12.00 noon. The graves in the old cemetery will be blessed after the Mass The 10.30am Mass will be celebrated as usual. It would be helpful if people used the church car park for parking thereby leaving more space for those who find walking difficult.

Alive—Thanks

The recent church gate collection for Alive (monthly publication) came to €225. Thanks to all who contributed.

Samaritans

Their free to call Confidential Line number is 116 123. This is a twenty four hour service.

