

# CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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### MASSES THIS WEEK

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

### ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Vigil: *Edward Carroll & Deceased family members.*

10.30am: *No special intention.*

### ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: *Tim Rafter* 10.30am: *Kitty Quinn (month's memory).*

**Last weekend Collection: €1055. 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. *Patricia O'Brien.*

E.Ms. – Vigil: *Carmel O'Shea.* 10.30 am. *Bernie Reilly.*

### Feast Days

**Mar. 20<sup>th</sup> St Joseph**

*The Bible pays Joseph the highest compliment: he was a "just" man. He became holy by opening himself totally to God.*

**Mar. 25<sup>th</sup> The Annunciation of the Lord**

*The feast of the Annunciation goes back to the fourth or fifth century. Its central focus is the Incarnation. God has decided that the second person of the Blessed Trinity should become one of us. Mary has an important part to play in God's plan. In this feast day the angel Gabriel announced to Mary that she was to be the mother of Jesus.*

## Short Prayer for Mother's Day

Dear Lord, today I turn to you to give you **thanks** for my mother. With your own gift of life, she bore me in her womb and gave me life.

She tenderly, patiently **cared** for me, and taught me to talk and walk. She read to me and made me laugh. No one delighted in my successes more, and no one could comfort me better in my failures.

I am so **grateful** for how she mothered me and mentored me, and even disciplined me.

Please **bless** her, Lord and comfort her. Help her loving heart to continue to love and give of herself to others. Strengthen her when she is down and give her hope when she is discouraged.

Most of all, Lord, on this **Mother's Day**, give my mother the graces she most needs and desires today. I ask you this, in the name of **Jesus**, our Lord and saviour for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**Author unknown**

### Pope Francis

Today is the tenth anniversary of the inauguration of **Pope Francis**, as bishop of **Rome** (Pope) in 2013.

### First Confession

First Confession is being celebrated on **Tuesday** next in the church during school hours. First Holy Communion is on **May 20<sup>th</sup>** at 12.00 noon

### Footloose

St Mel's Musical Society's production of the musical **Footloose** is on from **April 11-15** in the sports hall in **St Mel's College**. You can book a ticket by calling 0899730175.

