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MASSES THIS WEEK

Tues. 9.00am. **Wed.** 7.00pm **Thurs.** 10.30am. **Fri**.:9.00am.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil: No special intention. 10.30am: No special intention Wed: 7.00pm. Michael & Helen Quinn & deceased family members.

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: Margaret Larkin. 10.30am: No special intention.

Rest in Peace

Our prayers are requested for the happy repose of the soul of Hugh Quinn, Drimure. The funeral Mass is on Monday at 11.00am. R I P.

Last weekend Collection: €2753.00. 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: Fionuala Carthy E.Ms. - Vigil: Geraldine Halpin. 10.30 am: Elizabeth Moore

Feast Days

Jan. 6th

The Epiphany of the Lord

'Three wonders mark this day we celebrate:
Today the star led the Magi to the manger;
Today water was changed into wine at the marriage feast;
Today Christ desired to be baptized by John in the river Jordan to bring us salvation, Alleluia.'

Masses for the Feast-day

Vigil: Wednesday 7.00pm. Thursday: 10.30am.

Mass Readers

Please call to the sacristy to collect your **St Paul Sunday Missal** for 2022.

Happy New Year

The scripture scholar, William Barclay wrote that there are three ways to make the new year meaningful; a) something to dream, b) something to do, and c) someone to love.

"I have a dream" said **Martin Luther King**. We should all have a noble plan of action (dream a noble dream), for every day of the new year. We need to remember the proverb: 'cherish your yesterdays, dream your tomorrows, but live your todays.' It has been truly said that an idle mind is the devil's workshop.

We must not be barren fig trees, nor barren branches in God's vineyard. We must always be engaged, doing good for others and loving the men and women we encounter in daily life, for they are our brothers and sister in Christ. This becomes easier when we make God the centre of our life and realize his presence in all the people around us. Let us light a candle instead of blaming the darkness around us. Just as the moon borrows the sun's light to illuminate the earth, we must radiate the Light of God shining within us.

Fr Anthony Kadavil

First Friday Visits

As you know the first Friday of each month is the day the priest takes Holy Communion to the house bound in the parish. Since the pandemic started many who are vulnerable have followed the guidelines and have stayed away from large gatherings such as Sunday Mass, and have not received Holy Communion. If there are any who are not already on the First Friday list and would like to have the priest bring them Holy Communion, please let Fr McGovern know.

Next Friday is the First Friday. The usual house calls will be done at the usual times.

Happy New Year