

CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

Mon 7.00pm Thurs 9.00am, Fri. 9.00am.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Vigil 7.00pm: *Karen Curran / Tommy Williams / Brendan & Carmel Forkan.* **10.30am:** *Berney Crossan / Theresa Murphy.*

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil 7.00pm: *Deceased members of the Hannify family.*

Last weekend Collection: €1750 *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 : Anne O'Brien*
E.Ms. – Vigil: *Carmel O'Shea 10.30 am: Bernie Reilly*

Feast Days

Jan 24th **St Francis de Sales** (1567-1622)

As bishop of Geneva he helped to rebuild the Catholic faith after the reformaton.

Jan 25th **Conversion of St Paul**

*This dramatic event happened on the road to **Damascus**, modern day **Syria**. Out of a persecuter **God** made a preacher and teacher of the people.*

Jan 26th **Ss Timothy and Titus**

*They were close to **St Paul** and helped him in his missionary work.*

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

*The annual week of prayer for Christian Unity goes from **January 18** to the **25th**.*

Catholic Schools Week 2024

Each of us belongs to a community. This might be our local sports club, our village or our town. Catholics also belong to a community of faith. We see this in our parish when people come together to pray to and worship God at Mass, to support each other at sad times and to celebrate important moments in life together.

Jesus calls us to be a community and tells us when we gather together in **faith, hope and love**, even in small numbers , he will be there too: '**For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them**' (Mt 18:20).

Every Catholic school is called to be a community that serves, inviting students to use their gifts and talents at the service of others. In **Scoil Mhuire**, we model love, kindness and care towards ourselves , others, God, and creation. **In this way, all Catholic school are communities of service.**

This Catholic Schools Week, we celebrate and recognize the unique contribution our school makes at the service of our pupils , our community and our Church.

May the Lord bless us and guide us in being a community of **faith, hope and love**. **Grandparents Day** will be celebrated at a later date - Thursday February 7th. (more later).

Dates to remember in 2024

Feb. 14 – *Ash Wednesday, the start of **Lent** and also **St Valentines day**.*

March 29th – *Good Friday.* **March 31** -*Easter Sunday.*

May 11th - *The Sacrament of Confirmation and the first official visit of **Bishop Paul Connell** to the parish.*

May 18th – *First Holy Communion.*

June 30th *Cemetery Sunday.*

The Samaritans

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

