

CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

Wed. 9.00am. Thurs. 9.00am

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil: *Brigid McGee*

10.30am: *No special intention. Thurs. Eugene & Elizabeth Drumm.*

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: *Mary O'Malley /Patrick McEveney & deceased members of the Shanley family / Deceased members of the McCann family.*

10.30am: *Joe Egan*

Last weekend Collection: €1,480. Thank you.

Next Weekend

Readers—Vigil: *John Barry* 10.30am. *Angela Reynolds*

E.Ms. Vigil: *Garry Hughes* 10.30am. *Elizabeth Moore*

Feast Days

May 22 St Rita of Cascia (1381-1457)

Rita was married for eighteen years to an abusive husband. He was murdered. Later Rita entered the Augustinian convent in Cascia and spent forty years in prayer and working for peace in the area.

May 24th Day of Prayer for the Church in China

May 25th St Bede

He is associated with Jarrow in the North of England

May 26th St Philip Neri (1515-1595)

Station

Catherine Kennedy & Bili Jones are hosting a Station Mass for the Castle Park area on Fri. May 26 @ 8.30pm.

Lourdes Pilgrimage

The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes departs on Friday next. May all the pilgrims return home renewed in body and spirit.

The Energy of Love

*Christ has no body now but yours, no hands, no feet on earth but yours
Yours are the eyes through which he looks with compassion on this world.*

Yours are the feet with which he walks to do well.

Yours are the hands with which he blesses all the world.

Yours are the hands, yours the feet, You are his eyes, you are his body.

Christ has no body now but yours.

Prayer of St Teresa of Avila (Spain) 1515-1582

Mostly we find Jesus alive in the love of others. The energy of love is connected to the energy of God, for **God is love**. Other times we find God close to us is in prayer; but where we can sense him alive mostly is in the ordinary loves of every day, in marriage, family, friendship and care for others.

In listening to one another, in care of all sorts, in putting ourselves out for the other, the spirit of God is alive and people are touched by God's love through ordinary men and women.

Wedding Bells

Congratulations and best wishes to Sean Quinn, Lismore and Sharon McNerney, Killoe who were married on Saturday last in St. Mary's Church, Ennybegs. We wish them every happiness together.

Parish Catechist

Dr. Marie Cook from Maryvale Catholic Institute, Birmingham will attend a meeting in St Mel's Pastoral Centre, (St Mel's College) on Tuesday May 23rd @ 8.00pm. This will be an opportunity for anyone who is considering this ministry to meet the director.

Longford County Choir

Summer Celebration Concert in St Mel's Cathedral on Sun. May 28th with leading Irish tenor, **Peter O'Reilly**, soprano, **Rosemary Connolly** and a chamber orchestra. Tickets at the door, only €10. Time: 7.30pm.

Longford Friends of Chernobyl

A fundraising **Coffee Morning** will be held in the Parish Hall, Newtownforbes this Sunday from 11.00am – 1.00pm. Your support would be much appreciated.

Longford Women's Link

Women subjected to domestic violence and abuse in the home can avail of help, free and confidential. Call 043 3341511.

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