

CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

Mon. 9.00am. Tues. 9.00am. Wed. 9.00am. Thurs. 9.00am.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil: Margaret & Anthony Feeney. 10.30am. Mel Smith.

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: No special intention. 10.30am: Elizabeth Neary.

Last weekend Collection: €1105. Thank you.

Next Weekend

Readers—Vigil: Clodagh McCann	10.30am: Cathal Sorohan
E.Ms. Vigil: Al Yorke	10.30am: Joanne Quinn

Feast Days

July 22

St Mary Magdalene

She stood by the cross of Jesus; with two other women she discovered the empty tomb; she was granted an appearance of the Risen Lord early the same day, for which incident she has been described as the 'apostle to the apostles'

July 24th

St Declan

Declan is an early Irish saint associated with county Waterford.

July 23rd

St Bridget of Sweden

St Bridget is one of the Patron Saints of Europe.

July 25th

St James (Apostle)

Son of Zebedee and brother of John, he was put to death by Herod about the year 44. He was the first of the apostles to die for Christ. His shrine is at Compostella, Spain, as anyone who has walked the Camino will know.

July 26th

Ss Joachim and Anne

Traditionally known as the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the grandparents of the Lord.

Hospitality

There are different forms of hospitality; there is the hospitality of activity and the hospitality of presence. In today's gospel reading. **Martha** exemplifies the hospitality of activity and **Mary** the hospitality of presence. It seems on this occasion it was the hospitality of presence rather than of activity that **Jesus** sought. In that sense **Mary** read the situation better than **Martha**; she chose the better part. **Jesus** was not looking for a big meal; he had something to say and it was **Mary** who noticed this and sat at his feet to listen to what he had to say. **Mary** was more hospitable on this occasion because she was more attentive to the guest than **Martha** was.

There is a time to listen and a time to get busy. As the Book of Wisdom puts it '**for everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven**' Wisdom consists in being sensitive to those we meet and in knowing what is appropriate at any particular time. Fr Martin Hogan – Christ Our Saviour

Bus to Croagh Patrick

The last **Sunday of July (July 28th)** is the date for the annual pilgrimage to Croagh Patrick. A bus will be stopping in **Newtownforbes at 5.30am**. For further details and to book a seat call **086 0405621**.

Baptism

We welcomed into the Christian family, last week, **Paidi Brian Brady**, Lismore House, Lismore. We pray God's blessing on the newly baptized and his family.

Readers Rota

The new readers rota is now ready. **Mass Readers** please call to the sacristy to collect your rota.

Grow (Mental Health Movement)

Grow meets every **Monday from 10.45am – 11.45am** in the Community **Mental Health Centre, Dublin Road, Longford**. If you are lonely, isolated or suffering from stress why not go along and learn a practical psychology of mental health. Contact: **086 8114153**.

Irish Wheelchair Association

Church gate collection next weekend. Please support.

