# CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER November 23<sup>rd</sup> 2025

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#### **MASSES THIS WEEK**

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

#### ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil 7.00pm: James & Kathleen Farrell / Elizabeth Caslin / Mary Bryson. 10.30am: Henry Ellis (month's memory )/ John & Patrick McGivney & deceased family members / James & Mary Mulfaul.

Mon 7.00pm: Margaret & William Brassington / Pat & Mary Costello.

#### ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil 7.00pm: Eileen & John Quinn. 10.30am: No special intention.

**Last weekend Collection**: €911 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 7.00pm: Al Yorke
E.Ms. – Vigil: Liam Madden

10.30am: Michelle Ghee
10.30 am: Frank Quinn

## **Feast Days**

# **Nov.24<sup>th</sup> Ss Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions (Martyrs)**

In the seventeenth, eighteenth & nineteenth centuries **96** native **Vietnamese** were martyred including Andrew Dung-Lac.

#### **Remembrance Mass**

The 10.30am Mass today (Sunday) the feast day of Christ the King is a Remembrance Mass. We welcome all who have had a bereavement this year and have come to pray for the happy repose of a family member who has passed away since this time last year. May they Rest in Peace.

## The Envelope Boxes

boxes for 2026 are ready for distribution. We are very grateful to those who distribute the boxes each year

## The Good Thief

The **good thief** (in today's Gospel) as he is often called, recognized the presence of God's kingdom in the crucified Jesus. Even in a situation that was steeped in darkness., he saw the signs of God's Kingdom. We too are called to recognise the signs of God's kingdom in our midst, especially in the lives of those where we might not expect them. The evil and misery of the world can sometimes blind us to the signs of the his kingdom.

God's kingdom is present when someone who asks to be remembered is remembered with a word of **comfort** and **hope**. Its present whenever **mercy** is shown to those who need it, whenever those who are struggling reach out to **support** fellow strugglers, whenever **justice** is done for those who have been deprived of it. God's kingdom is present whenever we remain **faithful** to the call of the gospel when in situations where such values are often ridiculed. The good thief's vision was clear and undefiled.

Martin Hogan

#### **Christmas Fair**

A pre-Christmas fair is on this **Sunday** from 11.00am – 3.30pm, in the **Paddy Joe Murphy Sports Hall**. All proceeds will go to two charities (1) Longford Hospice & (2) Clonguish First Responders. Please support.

## **Mission Appeal**

Next weekend a member of the **Camboni missionary order** will speak at both Masses about the missionary work of the Order throughout the world. You will be invited to make a contribution to help the Order in their mission. Envelopes will be provided.

#### **Samaritans**

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

### **Alcoholics Anonymous**

St Mel's Family Centre Meeting times – **Tuesdays & Thursdays** @ 1pm; **Wednesday** and **Saturday** at 8pm; **Sunday** @ 11.30am.