

# CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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## MASSES THIS WEEK

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

## ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil: Sean, Peig & John Houlihan / Sammy Denniston.

10.30am: Mary Duke.

## ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEK

Vigil: Rose Mullaney 10.30am. Michael Mahon & deceased family members.

Last weekend Collection: €2011. 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. Liam Madden. 10.30 am. Anne Devlin

E.Ms. - Vigil: Garry Hughes 10.30 am. Liam Belton

## Feast Days

April 25<sup>th</sup>

St Mark (Evangelist)

St Mark's Gospel was probably written in Rome when he was with St Paul. His is by far the shortest of the four Gospels. He focuses on the central Christian message the suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus

April 29<sup>th</sup>

St Catherine of Sienna (1347-1380)

A native of Sienna, Italy she was declared a patron of Europe in 2000

## Lourdes Diocesan Pilgrimage

The annual pilgrimage is going ahead this year, from May 23- May 27, four nights. The total cost is €679 (Hotel Agena) or €699 (Hotel La Solitude) For further details call- 090 6481180.

## Trocaire

Please return your Trocaire box/envelope as soon as you can. To date the collection has come to €3150.

## My Lord and my God

“My Lord and my God” the words of Thomas in today’s Gospel, is probably the greatest profession of faith in all of the four Gospels and it comes from the mouth of a great sceptic. When Thomas saw the Lord, he exclaimed “My Lord and my God” He recognizes Jesus in his full reality, as Lord and does so in a very personal way., My Lord and my God.

The greatest faith is often found in those who have lived through a period of great spiritual darkness, a times of doubt and unbelief. There is an element of doubt in all our believing; we all journey through life enveloped in darkness to some degree. Even the great St Paul could say ‘Now we see in a mirror, dimly.’ Some seem to have greater doubts and questions than others. In a way, Thomas is their patron saint. He shows that times of doubting and questioning can be a prelude to a deeply rooted and richly expressed faith.

Eventually Thomas saw and believed, like the other disciples who saw the risen Lord and believed.

Even though we haven’t seen, our faith is not without foundation. It is based on those who have seen and believed, which is preserved for us in the Gospels and other writings in the New Testament.

Fr Martin Hogan

## Alzheimer Café

The next virtual meeting is on Wednesday April 27<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm. The guest speaker is Geraldine Jolleyand and her topic “Nursing Home Supports and the Fair Deal”

## Course open Day

Mohill Enterprise Centre is putting on an open day on May 4<sup>th</sup> on the various QQI certified courses delivered on behalf of MSLETB. Times: 9.00am – 6.30pm.

## Cemetery Sunday

Sunday June 26<sup>th</sup> at 12.00pm.

