

# CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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### MASSES THIS WEEK

### ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

### ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: 10.30pm:

**Last weekend Collection:** € . *Thank you.*

### On Line contributions

**IBAN: IE34 AIBK 9321 4026 9364 22 (BIC: AIBKIE2D)**

*A number of people have inquired about contributing to the weekly envelope and the dues collections on line. To do so you need the above details. The Parish of Clonguish A/C is with the A I B bank, Longford.*

	Next Weekend
Readers – Vigil:	10.30 am
E.Ms. - Vigil:	10.30 am

### Rest in Peace

*Our prayers are requested for the happy repose of the soul of **Philomena Douglas, Briskil**, whose funeral was on Sunday. May she **Rest in Peace**.*

### Feast Days

Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> St Mel

*St Mel along with St Ciaran is patron saint of the diocese of Ardagh and Clonmacnois.*

Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> Our Lady of Lourdes

*On this day in 1858 Our Lady first appeared to a fourteen- year old Bernadette Soubirous.*

*Today is World Day of Prayer for the sick*

## World Day of Sick

The celebration of the 29<sup>th</sup> World Day of Sick is on Thursday next the feast of **Our Lady of Lourdes**. Pope Francis in a special message for the day says it is an opportunity to devote special attention to those who are sick and to those who provide them with assistance and care both in healthcare facilities and within families and communities. **‘This year’ he says ‘we think especially of those who have suffered and those who continue to suffer the effects of the world wide coronavirus pandemic. To all and especially to the poor and the marginalized I express my spiritual closeness and assure them of the Churches loving concern.**

The experience of sickness makes us realise our own vulnerability and our innate need of others. It makes us feel all the more clearly that we are creatures dependent on **God**. When we are ill, fear and even bewilderment can grip our minds and hearts; we find ourselves powerless, since our health does not depend on our abilities or on life’s incessant worries’.

Pope Francis continues **‘Brothers and sisters, the commandment of love that Jesus left to his disciples is also kept in our relationship with the sick. A society is all the more human to the degree that it cares effectively for its frail and suffering members in the spirit of fraternal love.**

Let us strive to achieve this goal so that no one will feel alone, excluded or abandoned’.

*Franciscus*

### Covid 19 Support Line

ALONE is the name of a support line for older people who have concerns relating to the virus **Covid 19**. Professional staff are available to answer queries, and give advice and reassurance when necessary. This service is open 7 days a week, 8.00am to 8.00pm. Phone 0818222024.