

CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

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

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil: No special intension. 10.30am: John Burke / J P McGlynn

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

*Vigil: Anna & John Beattie, Peggy & Owen Dwyer & Pauline Maguire /
Phyllis & John Clarke. 10.30am Deceased members of the Russell
family.*

Rest in Peace: *Our prayers are requested for the happy repose of the soul of Ben Hughes, Creenagh, whose funeral was on Thursday. May he Rest in Peace.*

Last weekend Collection: €1215 .00. Thank you.

Next Weekend

Readers—Vigil: <i>Anne McCann</i>	10.30am: <i>Patricia O'Brien</i>
E.Ms. Vigil: <i>James Quinn</i>	10.30am: <i>Patricia Donegan</i>

Feast Days

March 1st St David

St David is the patron saint of Wales who lived in the sixth century. He lived a simple life and practiced asceticism.

First Friday

Friday next is the First Friday. The usual house calls will be done at the usual times.

Do This in Memory

The next Do This in Memory Mass is next Saturday.

Trocaire

Trocaire is a very important part of the Lenten Season. Please take home a Trocaire Box from the church porch.

Transfiguration

Can you recall a time when you had an ‘aha moment’? One of those moments when something makes perfect sense to you. It may have been a long time coming, a combination of various pieces of the jigsaw fitting together or it may be an **insight** you received from prayer or spiritual practice. These are really special moments. We are never quite the same afterwards, something changes in us. These ‘aha moments’ are moments when ‘**the penny drops**’. They are moments of transfiguration. This is what is happening to the disciples in today’s gospel.: a very deep and significant experience.

Peter is desperate to stay on the mountain in that blissful moment with Jesus, so much so that he offers to build tents. One can understand Peter’s request, after such an occurrence, it is natural that he would want to stay there, remain in the moment.

Do you recall a moment or an encounter where you simply did not want it to end? It may be something very deep and meaningful.

As with all blissful moments, the disciples must come down from the mountaintop. Jesus’ way involves walking a very different path, a path that will not be so easy. Jesus’ way is different to what Peter had in mind. **No doubt these moments of transfiguration strengthen us all for walking the more difficult paths.**

Jane Mellet

Fleadh Cheoil Longfort

For the first time the Longford Fleadh Cheoil will be held in Newtownforbes. It will be held on the weekend of April 17,28, & 29. Best wishes to the organisers, and to those preparing for the competitions.

Scoil Mhuire – Enrolment

Enrolment for **Junior Infants** for September takes place from **February 19th to March 9th 2018**. Please contact the school for an application form. School phone number is **043 3345220**: [email: newtownf.ias@eircom.net](mailto:newtownf.ias@eircom.net).

Lourdes Pilgrimage

The diocesan pilgrimage to **Lourdes** this year is from Sunday, **May 27th to Friday June 1st**.

Longford College of Further Education: Enrolment for September 2018, Thur. Mar.1st 10am-6pm. At the Battery Rd offices.

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