

## CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 26th 2017

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### MASSES THIS WEEK

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

### ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

**Vigil:** *Pat & Maura Cooney / Eileen Quinn & deceased family members.*

**10.30 am.** *Larry McGlynn (Months memory) / Thomas Lyons.*

**Tues. 7.00pm:** *Bartley & Celia Mahon & Ellie Cronin. Thurs. 7.00pm*

*Michael & Annie Murphy. Fri: 7.00pm Gerry Fallon.*

### ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

**Vigil:** *Sean, Sarah & Anne Marie Ryan & deceased family members.*

**10.30am:** *Dr. Gerald, Maureen & Gerry Donnelly / Maud Fleming.*

**Last weekend Collection: €1,678 Thank you.**

### Next Weekend

**Readers—Vigil:** *Anne McCann. 10.30am: Cathal Sorohan.*

**E.Ms. Vigil:** *Deirdre Houlihan. 10.30am: Michelle Ghee.*

### **Feast Days**

**November 30<sup>th</sup>**

**St Andrew (Apostle)**

*Andrew was Simon Peter's brother, and was called with him. "As they walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is now called Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting a net into the sea; they were fishermen. He said to them 'Come after me and I will make you fishers of men' At once they left their nets and followed him"*

### **Do This in Memory**

*We welcome the boys and girls and their families who have come to this evening's Do This in Memory Mass.*

### **First Friday**

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

## **Christ the King**

I usually favour the **underdog**. When I'm watching a sports event and 'my team' is not Involved, I tend to root for the team without the big names and the hype.

In today's gospel for the feast of **Christ the King** Jesus seems to be encouraging a similar spirit in each of us. We are invited to live out, in a very practical way, **the commandments to love God and neighbor**. We are called to reach out to those without power and influence in the world.

For many in our world, caring for the underdog or the "the least" of our brothers and sisters is not always a primary value. One TV show made great sport of finding "**The Weakest Link**" among the show's contestants. The host belittled the weakest person and then eventually dismissed him or her from the show. In many other ways, I wonder, are we inclined to belittle and dismiss those who most need our support and encouragement.

Gratefully the **gospels** and our **church** promote a different message. We often are reminded that a basic moral test of any society is how it treats its weakest and most vulnerable members.

Susan McCarthy, R D C

### **Advent**

Sunday next is the first Sunday of Advent. Advent is a four week period of preparation for the celebration of the birth of **Our Saviour**. A period of longing and waiting.

### **Reader's Rota**

The new rota for Mass readers is now available and can be collected in the sacristy.

### **Envelope Boxes**

We are very grateful to the people who do the work of distributing the envelope boxes each year. Thank you.

### **Longford Women's Link**

Longford Woman's Link provides emotional and practical support to women subjected to domestic violence and abuse. This service is free and confidential. You are not alone- call **043 3341511**.