

CLONGUISSH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

9.00am Each morning

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil: Pat Walker 10.30am: Elizabeth Byrne (Months mind)

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: Jimmy, Brigid, Josephine, Willie, Liam & Gerry Casey

10.30am: David Burkhill

Last weekend Collection: €1848 (including holyday) Thank you.

Next Weekend

Readers—Vigil: Geraldine McVeigh 10.30am: Margo Gearty

E.Ms. Vigil: Al Yorke 10.30am. Liam Belton

Feast Day

August 28th

St Augustine (354-430)

He was bishop of Hippo in North Africa where he lived with a Christian community. He is an influential theologian.

August 29th

Passion of St John the Baptist

August 22nd

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sept. 1st

World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

Knock Pilgrimage

*The annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock is on next Sunday. The special bus will be in the village at 10.45am. **Tickets are available @ €18. Ceremonies start at 2.30pm. Mass is at 3.00pm.***

First Friday

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

Who Do You say I Am?

Peter gets it right in today's gospel land Jesus calls him 'blessed'. That is, he is a person who brings a great gift to others. Peter is seen as Jesus' successor and future leader for the small group of believers.

Jesus is a very different Messiah to the one the Jews expected. It is understandable that he would order the disciples to keep quiet. The people of his time wanted a leader who would lead them in a military revolt against the Romans, who would be a great king. Jesus' mission involves a very different focus, reaching out to the outcast, those on the margins, a radical love. His actions will speak for who he is. It is for each of us to make up our own minds as to who Jesus is.

Peter is quite clear and sincere in his declaration, however, as we see later, Peter did not understand fully what the journey of Jesus would entail. Peter commits himself but it is a reminder that we must always leave room for growth in the understanding of our commitments.

'who do you say that Jesus is' for you today in your life at this moment.?

C A S A – Caring and Sharing Association

C A S A are seeking new volunteers from September 2017 to June 2018. If you have five hours on a Sunday to give once a month and you are 16 years or over, they would like to hear from you. C A S A 's aim is to provide a social outlet for adults with physical and intellectual disability in our community. **For further information call 086 1296305.**

Longford Marathon 2017

The 17th edition of the **Longford Marathon** is on this Sunday, sponsored by **Pat the Baker**. The first of the marathon runners should be passing through the village at around **12.30pm**. Watch out for the safety of the runners and follow the steward's directions.

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