

# CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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## MASSES THIS WEEK

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

## ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Vigil: *Mary Bryson 10.30am: No special intention.*

Mon. 7.00pm: *Tom & Margaret O'Connor / Margaret, Paddy Joe & Eileen Quinn & deceased family members.*

## ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: *Deceased members of the Mimmagh family. 10.30am: No special intention.*

## Rest in Peace

*Our prayers are requested for the happy repose of the soul of **Hugh Shannon, Minard, who died recently. May he Rest in Peace.***

**Last weekend Collection: €1105 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: *Anne McCann 10.30 am. Fionuala Carthy*

E.Ms. – Vigil: *Garry Hughes 10.30 am. Sarah McCormack*

## Feast Days

Nov.30<sup>th</sup>

St Andrew (Apostle)

*Andrew was the brother of the apostle Peter.*

## First Friday

*The usual house calls will be done at the usual times.*

## Adoration

*Each Wednesday evenings for 1 hour, from 7.00pm to 8.00pm*

## Advent

Today, the beginning of the Church's year, the first Sunday of **Advent**, a light begins to shine in the darkness, symbolized by the lighting of the first candle on the **Advent** wreath. The call at the end of today's first reading invites us "*to walk in the light of the Lord*" Advent is a time when we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our **Saviour Jesus Christ**. It is good to allow some of the joyful anticipation of **Advent** to rub off on us a little, to allow ourselves to be touched by this waiting in joyful hope.

Advent stirs in us the desire to reach forward to grasp a better future, the future that **God** is always holding out to us. Those who were once bitter enemies are called to find ways of hammering weapons of war (swords) into instruments of peace (ploughshares). Advent prompts all of us to leave behind old patterns of thinking, behaving and relating and to grasp something new. This first Sunday of **Advent** calls on us to look forward rather than to look back, in the words of **St Paul's** letter to the Philippians, '*straining forward to what lies ahead*'

Advent invites us to be awake to what **God** wants, to live each day as the **Lord** wants it to be lived. **Advent** calls on us to be alert to everything within us and among us that can have no place in **God's** future for us.

Martin Hogan

## Alzheimer Café

Meeting on Wednesday **November 30<sup>th</sup>** at 7.00pm in the Attic House, Ballinalee Road. Speaker is **Jennifer Edgeworth**, Clinical Psychologist. Topic: "**Wellbeing in Dementia**"

## Alone

Alone, which provides services to **Older People**, is looking for volunteers. Alone recruits trains and supports volunteers for two services (1) **Visiting and befriending** service (2) **Telephone support and befriending service**. Contact: 086 1085965.

