

CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

Tues. 7.00pm. Wed. 10.30am Thurs. 9.00am Fri. 9.00am.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil: Matthew & Margaret O'Hara 10.30am. Christina Hughes / Thomas Corcoran.

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: Kathleen Killian. 10.30am. George McAvey / John McGivney

Rest in Peace

*Our prayers are requested for the happy repose of the soul of **Larry McGlynn**, Briskil. whose funeral was on Monday.*

*also for the happy repose of the soul of **Brigid O'Hara**, Kilasonna, Granard, sister of **Fr. Ned O'Hara**, whose funeral was today (Saturday) May they **Rest in Peace**.*

Last weekend Collection: €1,614 Thank you.

Next Weekend

Readers—Vigil: Sonia Flynn	10.30am: Fionnuala Carthy
E.Ms. Vigil: Geraldine Halpin	10.30am: Patricia Donegan

Feast Days

November 1st All Saints

*Masses for the feast day are on **Tues. (Vigil) 7.00pm** and on **Wed. 10.30am**.*

November 2nd Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

*Better known as **All Souls Day**. November is the Month of **The Holy Souls**. You may fill a list of the dead. The pages will be at the door and you can place the list in the special box in the sanctuary.*

Love God and Love your Neighbour

When Jesus was asked which was the greatest commandment, he answered by giving not one but two: **Love God and love your neighbor**. The two go together; you can't have one without the other. But that's not obvious to everyone. You heard of the person who said, "**I love God; it's people that I can't stand**" On the other hand there are those who do love people, whom they see, but wonder how they can be asked to love God, whom they do not see. So Jesus's answer raises some good questions. What are we to make of this four- letter word **L O V E**. First of all, we know that love is more than a feeling, it goes much deeper. Those that we love can sometimes be difficult and disappointing; Our love for them resides not in our emotions but in our hearts. Love is a matter of the will and of the mind; it gives strength and makes demands; it calls for sacrifice. Jesus himself said once that there is no greater love than this: to lay down one's life for a friend. St. Paul describes love this way: "**Love is patient and kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude.... It bears all things believes all things hopes all things, endures all things.**"

This command to love neighbor is intimately bound up with the command to love God. **The ultimate reason why people are precious is because they are made in the image and likeness of God.**

Fr James DiGiacomo

Calendar Sponsors

Having a sponsor for each month keeps down the cost. Enquiries to Fr McGovern.

Neil Mellon Township Trust – Auction

You can help this very worthy cause by donating items for an auction to be held in **Unit 5 Masterteck Business Park, Longford** (behind Shannonside Radio). This auction is on **Sunday next November 5th at 1.00pm**. All household goods and furniture in good condition is welcome. Contact **Liam Fenelon** at 0872683650 or **Dominic Holohan** at 087 6405072.

First Friday

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