

CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

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

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil: Bernard McGoe & parents Tom & Mary/ Mary O'Malley/
Richard, Anna Mae & Margaret Gregg / Liam Quinn.

10.30am: No special intention. **Tues.: 9.00am:** Nora Whooley.

Thurs. 9.00am: Gene Hickey.

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEK

Vigil: Deceased members of the McGee family /
Patrick & Margaret Quinn. **10.30am:** Frank Beirne.

Rest in Peace

Our prayers are requested for the happy repose of the soul of **Mary Ralph**, Newtownforbes and Thomand Lodge, Ballymahon, whose funeral was on Thursday. May she **Rest in Peace**.

Last weekend Collection: €705. *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, Liam Madden **10.30 am.** *Laura Hussey*
E.Ms. – Vigil, Anne Duke **10.30 am.** *Joanne Quinn*

Feast Days

May 31st

The Visitation

This feast day celebrates Mary's visit to her cousin Elizabeth. It goes back to the fourteenth century. The present date of celebration was set in 1969.

June 1st

St Justin (Martyr)

*He converted to Christianity after years studying various pagan philosophies. Justin was beheaded in **Rome** in 165.*

The Ascension of the Lord

The celebration of the **Ascension of Jesus** into heaven marks the closure of his mission on earth. According to **St Luke**, over a period of **40 days** the risen Lord appeared to certain disciples in varied ways to prepare them for his final departure. The apostles were told that they would continue the work of **Jesus**. They were instructed to return to **Jerusalem** and to pray for the coming of the **Holy Spirit** to empower them.

On the **Mount of the Ascension** the apostles were told not to be looking up to the skies but to look out to the world as missionaries. ***"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations and know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time"*** That mission and promise extends to our times. God is not just up there, but God is with us and in us.

As **Pope Francis** put it, each one of us not only has a mission but each one is a mission to bring God's love and compassion to others. ***"I have no hands now but yours"***

Next Sunday we will celebrate **Pentecost**. See how the power of the Spirit changed the Apostles.... from confusion to belief, from fear to courage, from despondency to joy.

Fr Sylvester O'Flynn OFM

Confirmation

The celebration of the sacrament of Confirmation will take place next Friday, **June 3rd at 3.00pm.**

June -- First Friday Calls

Because **Confirmation** is on Friday at **3.00pm**, the First Friday **afternoon** house calls will be done on **Thursday June 2nd** at the usual times.

Bus to Knock

Sat. June 4th. Connolly Barracks 9.30am. Book A seat **087 9016062**.

