

# 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 7.00pm: *Christine & Ben Hughes & son Mark / Curley family.*

10.30am: *P J Bennett / James & Kathleen Killian.*

### ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil 7.00pm: *Philomena Doyle* 10.30am: *Chris Brennan*

Last weekend Collection: €945 *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: *Clodagh McCann.* 10.30am : *Frank Quinn.*

E.Ms. – Vigil: *Martin Ross.* 10.30 am : *Elizabeth Moore.*

### Feast Days.

Nov 4<sup>th</sup> **St Charles Borromeo (1538-1584)**

*Ordained priest and bishop in 1563 and also became Archbishop of Milan in the same year.*

Nov 6<sup>th</sup> **All the Saints of Ireland**

Nov 9<sup>th</sup> **The Dedication of the Latern Basilica**

*It is “Mother and head of all the churches in the city and the world”. It is the cathedral church of the bishop of Rome, Pope Francis.*

### Parish Pastoral Council

*The monthly meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council will be held in the Parochial House on Monday night at 8.00pm.*

## Praying For the Dead

While many things have changed about the way Irish Catholics practice their faith, the offering of Mass for the faithful departed on their anniversaries or birthdays brings many families and communities together especially at this time of the year and reminds us as the poet Patrick Kavanagh wrote; *‘We are not alone in our loneliness, others have been here and know griefs we thought our very own.*

Our prayers for the dead remain the great lifeline between those of us who are alive and those who are now gone home to God. When the dieing St Monica said to her son St Augustine, *‘All I ask is that you remember me at the altar of God’* it was a recognition that prayer remains an unbreakable bond between the living and the dead. Protestants and other Christian traditions too ask God to bless their departed loved ones. The noted author C S Lewis wrote *‘Of course I pray for the dead. At our age the majority of those we love best are dead. What sort of conversation with God could I have if what I love best were unmentionable to him’*

*Paul Clayton-Lea*

### Lists of the Dead

You may place your Lists of the Dead in the box in the church sanctuary.

### DePaul Longford Homeless Services

Their church gate collection is on this weekend. The proceeds of this collection goes towards the Longford homeless services. **Please support this worthy cause**

### First Holy Communion

We welcome the boys and girls and their parents/guardians to the **First Holy Communion** enrollment Mass today (10.30am).

### The Samaritans

Their free to call Confidential Line number is 116 123. This is a twenty four service

