

CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

Mon. 9.00am. Wed. 9.00am. Thurs. 9.00am. Fri. 9.00am.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

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

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: *Tony Corcoran / Matthew Thompson / Anna & Michael Mullervy & Bernie Earley / Brigid & John Ghee / Mary Kathleen & John Doyle.*

10.30am: *No special intention.*

Last weekend Collection: €1268. **Thank you.**

Next Weekend

Readers—Vigil: <i>Colleen McHale</i>	10.30am: <i>Anne Devlin</i>
E.Ms. Vigil: <i>Geraldine Halpin</i>	10.30am: <i>Elizabeth Moore</i>

Feast Days

July 1st

St Oliver Plunkett

He martyred on July 1st 1681 at Tyburn (London), by hanging, disemboweling, quartering and beheading. He was the first of the Irish martyrs to be beatified. His head is in St Peter's Church, Drogheda.

July 3rd

St Thomas

Doubting Thomas made what is the most explicit statement of faith in the New Testament: "My Lord and My God"

July 4th

St Elizabeth of Portugal (1271-1336)

After the death of her husband, Denis, king of Portugal, she entered the Poor Clare convent at Coimbra, Portugal.

July 6th

St Maria Goretti (1891-1902)

Died a martyr at the age of 12 while resisting a sexual assault.

First Friday

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

The Spirit of the Lord

In some ways we can be like **James** and **John** in the gospel this weekend. In **Galilee** they left their nets to set out on a journey to follow **Jesus**. They took the path that the spirit prompted them to take. Yet, along the way they sometimes allowed a very different kind of spirit to influence them.

In this weekend's gospel they wanted to call fire down from heaven to destroy the **Samaritans** who refused them hospitality. Such a violent response to the experience of rejection was not that of the Spirit, and **Jesus** rebuked them.

We too have set out on a journey as followers of **Jesus**. Yet, like **James** and **John**, we can act and speak in a way that is inconsistent with the path we have chosen. When that happens, as inevitably it will, we invite the Spirit of the Lord to come upon us anew and to **redirect our steps**.

With the **Spirits** help, we once more set our face to go where the Lord is calling us to go.

Fr Martin Hogan

Cemetery Sunday

A warm welcome to all who have come to our parish to celebrate Cemetery Sunday. The **Catechism** of the Catholic Church reminds us: **"From the beginning the church has honoured the memory of the dead and offered prayers for them, above all the Eucharistic sacrifice, so that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God"**

Tax Relief Scheme

Some of those who donate €250 or more to the parish over the course of the year will receive notification in the post this week. Please sign the form and return it as soon as you can. This is a valuable source of income for parish each year.

NW STOP (Formerly STOP Suicide)

If you or someone you know needs help contact 086 7772009 or 1850 211877.