# CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER July 30th 2023

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#### MASSES THIS WEEK

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

#### **ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK**

**Vigil 7.00pm:** John Hopkins / Elizabeth Byrne / Nora O'Reilly & son Conor. **10.30am**: Betty Neary. **Mon 7.00pm**: Bernadette Browne.

## ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

**Vigil 7.00pm:** Thomas Hopkins / Walter Jackson (month's memory) **10.30am**: Hugh Connolly.

**Last weekend Collection**: €1337. *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: Geraldine McVeigh
E.Ms. – Vigil: Al Yorke

10.30 am: Fionuala Carthy
10.30 am: Michelle Ghee

## **Feast Days**

July 31<sup>st</sup> St Ignatius of Loyola (1491-15556)

The founder of the **Jesuits** was on his way to military fame and fortune when a cannon ball shattered his leg. During his lengthy stay in hospital he read the **Life of Christ**. This led to his conversion and eventual ordination.

# Aug. 1st St Alphonsus Liguory (1696-1787)

He founded the Redemptorist congregation in 1732. It was an association of priests and brothers dedicated to working mainly with people in rural areas of *Italy*.

# First Friday

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

## Wisdom

If **Aladdin** loaned you his lamp and you got just one wish, what would you ask for? In the first reading this weekend, God tells **King Solomon** "Ask something of me and I will give it to you. What does he ask for? Wisdom. "Give me an understanding heart.... So that I can distinguish right from wrong."

Notice **Solomon** didn't ast to be smart, but to be wise. Many people with modest **IQs** have real down to earth wisdom. It's this wisdom that helps us to tell right from wrong. Wisdom knows that no amount of money can buy a meaningful life. This is what Jesus calls a buried treasure, a pearl of great price, more precious than anything in the world.

Where can you get this wisdom? The answer is by listening to God's own word, best expressed in the person and teaching of **Jesus Christ**. Here we find the clues to real self fulfillment.....what to do with money, pleasure and power... how to enjoy them without being ruled by them. This is real enlightemment.

James DiGiacomo, S J.

## **Mission Appeal**

Fr Pat Byrne SVD wishes to thank all who contributed to his mission appeal last weekend. The collection came to €1,140. Any envelopes that come in this weekend will be forwarded to Divine Word office.

## **Bus to Slane**

A "Light the Fire" celebration of Mass is being held on the Hill of Slane, Co Meath on Sunday August 6<sup>th</sup> led by Archbishop Eamon Martin. Bus leaves Connolly Barracks at 9.00am. Book a seat @ 086 1900649.

## **Readers Rota**

Readers, please call to the sacristy and collected it after Mass.

### **Samaritans**

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