

## 1302CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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### MASSES THIS WEEK

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

### ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil 7.00pm: *Hugh Quinn.* 10.30am: *Danny Reilly (month's memory)/ Nuala Rahill*

### ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEK

Vigil 7.00pm : *Deceased members of the Hannify family.*

10.30am : *Bernadette, James & Michael O'Reilly.*

**Last weekend Collection: €4284 (incl. Christmas) Thank you.**

On Line contributions

IBAN: IE34 AIBK 9321 4026 9364 22 (BIC: AIBKIE2D). *The Parish of Clonguish A/C is with the AIB bank, Longford.*

### Next Weekend

Readers – Vigil 7.00pm: Geraldine McVeigh. 10.30am: Andrew Hanly  
E.Ms. – Vigil: Garry Hughes 10.30 am: Sarah McCormack

### Feast Days

Jan 6<sup>th</sup>

### The Epiphany of the Lord

*The Epiphany is the manifestation of Jesus as Messiah of Israel, son of God and saviour of the world. The feast also celebrates the adoration of Jesus by the Magi, the wise men from the East. Masses: Mon. 7.00pm . Tuesday 10.30am.*

### Parish Pastoral Council

*Meeting on Monday evening at 8.00pm in the Parochial House.*

### Readers

*Please call to the sacristy to collect the St Paul Sunday missal for 2026.*

### The Magi

There are many stars, lights that twinkle and guide us, in our lives. It is up to us to chose which ones to follow. For example, there are **flashing lights** that come and go, like the small pleasures of life: although they may be good, they are not sufficient, because they do not last long and they not leave us the peace we seek. Then there are the **dazzling lights** of money and success, that promise so much and so fast: they are seductive, but their intensity is blinding and causes our dreams of glory to fade into the most obscure darkness.

The Magi instead, invite us to follow a **steady light**, a gentle light that does not wane, because it is not of this world: it comes from heaven and it shines. Where does it shine? In the heart.

The **true light** belongs to the **Lord**. It is the **Lord Himself**. He is our light: a light that does not dazzle but accompanies us and bestows on us its unique **joy**.

**Pope Francis**

### Wedding Bell

Congratulations and best wishes to **Oonagh McGowan**, Cartrons and **Cian Farrelly**, Soran, Ballinalee, who were married on Saturday.

### Shane Brennan 5K

Thanks to all who helped with the **5K run / walk** on St Stephen's day. It was a great success. **402** runners finished the run, with a large number of walkers also taking part.

### Adoration

There is Eucharistic Adoration each **Wednesday** from 7.00pm – 8.00pm. All are welcome to this very special time of prayer.

### Samaritans

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

### Alcoholics Anonymous

St Mel's Family Centre Meeting times – **Tuesdays & Thursdays @ 1pm; Wednesday and Saturday at 8pm; Sunday @ 11.30am**