

CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

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

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil 7.00pm: *Blaise Ireland / Thomas Hopkins / Rudy DeVincenzo & his son Hugh / James & Prudenve Flynn.*

10.30am: *Hugh Connolly / Carmel Barden.*

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil 7.00pm: *Tommy Nevin & parents / Mary McGrath / Noel Quinn (months memory)* **10.30am:** *Brendan Harris.*

Last weekend Collection: €1003 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: <i>Anne McCann</i>	10.30am: <i>Anne O'Brien</i>
E.Ms. – Vigil: <i>Cathy Murphy</i>	10.30 am: <i>Michele Feeney</i>

Feast Days

Aug 6th

The Transfiguration

Tradition names Mt Tabor as the site of this revelation. A church first built there in the fourth century was dedicated in honour of the Transfiguration. One of the accounts of the Transfiguration is always read on the second Sunday of Lent.

Aug 9th

St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

*Born in 1891 in Poland, her real name is **Edith Stein**, a convert from Judaism, she became a **Carmelite** sister. Both **Jewish** and **Catholic** she fled to **Holland** when the **Nazi** came to power but she was captured and sent to **Auschwitz** where she died in its gas chambers on the 9th of August 1942.*

I am the Bread of Life

The after Jesus fed the crowd with a few loaves of bread and a couple of fish, it was standing room only in the synagogue.

He told the crowd, You're here because yesterday I gave you bread that filled you for a day. Now you're hungry again. I want to give you a different kind of bread: if you eat it, you will never be hungry again.

In all of us there is a hunger that common sense tells us will never be filled. It's a desire for perfect happiness, for unending joy, for a life stronger than death, that we are part of an eternal plan. That's why down through the ages people have been religious. They search for God and a deeper meaning in life.

Friedrich Nietzsche, a philosopher once said that "**Man**" is a sick animal, the only creature that is not content to just be what he is and wants to be something more. **Jesus** tells us that our wildest dreams can be realised, and he makes the stunning assertion that he is the one to make it happen. He is the bread of life and he wants us to receive him into our lives.

James DiGiacomo, SJ.

Baptism

We welcomed into the Christian Community, **Ella Aadhya Ashwin Sekar**, Prucklish on Saturday last. We pray God's blessing on the newly baptized and her parents.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock

The pilgrimage is on Sunday **September 1st**, starting with anointing of the sick at **2.30pm**, followed by **Mass** at 3.00pm and the rosary procession at 4.00pm. **Bus** from Longford.

Readers Rota

The new readers rota for the second half of the year is ready for collection in the sacristy.

The Samarita

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

