

CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

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

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Vigil: Deceased members of the Curley family.

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

Mon. 7.00pm: Deceased members of the Gilchriest family.

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: Philamena Doyle / Patrick & Anne Devlin.

10.30am: No special intention.

Last weekend Collection: €1557 (Including holiday) *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: Anne Marie Williams **10.30 am.** Frank Quinn

E.Ms. – Vigil: Al Yorke **10.30 am.** Michelle Ghee

Feast Days

Nov. 9th **The Dedication of the Latern Basilica**

The church of St John Latern is the cathedral church of the bishop of Rome (Pope Francis) and is “Mother and head of all the churches in the city and the world”

Nov. 11th **St Martin of Tours** (316-397)

St Martin founded many monasteries and is the patron saint of France.

Baptism

*We welcomed into the Christian community, **Oscar James Devlin, Lamagh.** We pray God’s blessing on th newly baptized and his family.*

November

No shade, no shine, no butterflies, no bees,
No fruits, no flowers, no leaves, no birds!-
November! **Thomas Hood (1799-1845)**

While the poet marks this month with images of absence and loss, in the Catholic tradition **November** encourages us to celebrate the memory of those who have died, to pray for our dead and reflect on the shortness of life. The late **Queen Elizabeth** became famous for the quotation ‘*Grief is the price we pay for love,*’ but the quote comes from a longer passage by a **Dr Parkes**, a psychiatrist. The Queen popularized it, but **Dr Parkes’** full quote is eloquent and wise.

‘The pain of grief is just as much part of life as the joy of love. It is the price we pay for love, the cost of commitment. To ignore this fact, or to pretend that it not so, is to put on emotional blinkers which leave us unprepared for the losses that will inevitably occur in our own lives and unprepared to help others to cope with losses in theirs’

The funeral Mass declares that the coming of death means that ‘*life is changed, not ended*’ The faith and trust required to accept this comforting thought is challenging in a world which largely rejects the vision of eternal life promised by **Jesus**.

May our **November** memories of our departed loved ones and our prayers for them bring us peace. **Paul Clayton Lea**

Memorial Mass

A memorial Mass for the happy repose of the souls of all those who died in **2022** will be celebrated on **Sunday November 20th** at **10.30am**. A candle will be lit in memory of each of the deceased and family members are invited to attend.

Adoration

Each Wednesday evenings for 1 hour, from 7.00pm to 8.00pm

