

# CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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### MASSES THIS WEEK

*No daily Mass this week.*

### ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

**Vigil:** *Jimmy, Brigid, Josephine, Willie, Liam and Gerry Casey / Pat Walker. 10.30am. No special intention.*

### ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

**Vigil:** *No special intention. 10.30am: Gerard McGrath / Sean & Winnie Manning.*

### Rest in Peace

*Our prayers are requested for the happy repose of the soul of Nora O'Reilly, St Mary's Terrace, Longford, whose funeral was on Tuesday. May she Rest in Peace.*

**Last weekend Collection: €1140.** *Thank you.*

	Next Weekend
Readers—Vigil:	10.30am:
E.Ms. Vigil:	10.30am:

### Feast Days

**Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>** Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

*Scripture does not give an account of Mary's birth. The church has celebrated Mary's birthday since the sixth century.*

**Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>** St Ciaran

*St Ciaran came to Clonmacnois in 545 where he founded a monastery which was to become one of the most renown in Europe. He died at the age of 33 as the monastery was being built.*

### Baptism

*We welcomed into the Christian community, Fionn Peter Dardis, Meadow Court on Saturday last. We pray God's blessing on the newly baptized and his parents*

## Our common home

Today we mark the first Sunday of the **Season of Creation** 2020 which runs until **4 October**. This special season in the church calendar celebrates the joy of creation.

We are reminded during this time of our duty to care for what Pope Francis calls 'our common home'. When we hear the word 'home', we tend to think of the immediate place where we live and the people we share it with--our house or living space and our immediate family, neighbours and community. Each of us lives within a particular web of relationships that we call home. But we must be conscious too that we live in a wider relationship with the earth and all of creation. **We all live in a common home, and we all must care for it, and for each other.**

In this Season of Creation, we remember in particular those across the world who are suffering as a result of environmental damage. The way we live on this earth has consequences for the world and its peoples, and indeed for future generations.

Over the next few weeks, let us consider how we might make some changes that reflect our care for others and for our common home

***'We need to strengthen the conviction  
That we are one single human family'***

(Pope Francis, Laudato Si)

**Triona Doherty (Intercom)**

### Schools Reopen

Children and teachers have returned to school this week after a long absence. We hope and pray that all may continue to go well and we pray for the safety of pupils and teachers and the whole school community in this difficult situation.

### Thanks

Thanks to all the parishioners who have been returning their weekly, **Harvest dues** and **Pentecost** dues envelopes over the last while.

### Alcoholics Anonymous

Meetings take place every **Tues.** and **Thurs.** at 1.00pm and each **Sunday** at **11.30am.** in the **Family Centre, St Mel's Road,** Longford. Anyone who feels the need to attend is most welcome.

