

# CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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### MASSES THIS WEEK

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

### ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

**Vigil 7.00pm.:** *Jimmy, Brigid, Josephine, Willie, Liam, Gerry & Paddy Casey.* **10.30am:** *No special intention.*

### ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

**Vigil 7.00pm:** *Peter Murphy.* **10.30am:** *Roger Ward.*

**Last weekend Collection: €1000.** *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 7.00pm:** *Clodagh McCann* **10.30am:** *Fionuala Carthy*  
**E.Ms. – Vigil:** *Cathy Murphy* **10.30 am:** *Michelle Feeney*

### 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 it since at least the sixth century. The opening prayer at Mass speaks of the birth of Mary's son as the dawn of our salvation and asks for an increase of peace.*

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

*St Ciaran was born in Roscommon around 512. He came to Clonmacnois in January 545. A tradition held that he went to Rome and was ordained bishop by the Pope. He died at the age of 33 while the monastery at Clonmacnois was being built.*

### Diocesan Pilgrimage to Rome

*On Tuesday over fifty pilgrims are heading for Rome on the diocesan pilgrimage for the Jubilee year of Hope. We wish them safe journey to and from.*

## Sunday Mass

On Sundays we gather not only as individuals but as the Church; the Body of Christ. In the celebration of the eucharist, we affirm our communion with one another and with Christ. This gathering creates a bond of unity, solidarity, and love, as we come together to worship as one body, with one voice, in praise of God.

Mass is not just a personal act of devotion; it is a communal act of worship. We go to God together. The Sunday Mass is where the Church is most visibly alive, and where every member of the community plays an essential role. Each person's participation is needed for the Church to truly live. It is important to gather physically for Mass, and although technology is helpful, it can never replace the tangible experience of being with the community as we listen to God's word and receive the Body of Christ.

The Sunday Mass is not only a time for worship but also mission. We are sent out to live our faith in the world as missionaries; sent out to share the love of Christ with others. At Sunday Mass, we receive not only spiritual nourishment but also the strength to live our Christian mission.

**Irish Catholic Bishop's Conference**

### Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock

The annual diocesan pilgrimage to **Knock** is on today (Sunday), starting with the anointing of the sick at **2.30pm.** **Bus** from Ballymahon Street at 10.30am.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

A reminder: **adoration** each **Wednesday** from **7.00pm – 8.00pm.**

### 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.**