

CLONGUISSH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

Mon.9.00am Tues: 9.00am Wed: 9.00am Thurs: 9.00am Fri. 9.00am.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil: Bernard Sullivan / Christina Yorke / Michael & Liam Farrell

10.30: Cormack Robinson

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: Bridie Mahon 10.30am: Bill Keighran

Last weekend Collection's €1170 Thank you.

Next Weekend

Readers—Vigil: John Barry	10.30am. Patricia Keenan
E.Ms. Vigil: Anne Duke	10.30am. Liam Belton

Feast Day

Oct. 11th Blessed John XXIII- Pope (1881-1963)

Oct. 14th National Day of Prayer for Children

This day is being celebrated in conjunction with Mission promotion, this being the month of October. Mission Sunday is Sunday October 23rd.

Oct. 15th St Teresa of Avila (1515-82)

Station Masses

If anyone would like to host a Station Mass in their area during Oct./Nov. please contact Fr McGovern.

Baptisms

We welcomed into the Christian family the following children last weekend, Finn Michael Manning, Ballagh, Ava Catherine Jordan, Leitrim and Jacob Dillon Quinn, Prucklish/Cardiff. We pray God's blessing on the newly baptised and their parents.

Now, What Do You Say?

We all know from experience that some people are better at saying thanks than others. We know what it's like to go out of our way to do a favour for someone and then wait, in vain, to hear a thank you from them. Why are they like that? Maybe when they were children their parents never taught them to say thank you. Maybe they're self-absorbed. Maybe they simply feel that we, or life, owe them. Whatever the reason, the inability to feel gratitude or to express it is a real human feeling.

There's a very interesting fact about Naaman the Syrian in the first reading and the Samaritan leper in the gospel today. **Both of them thank not only the prophet and Jesus; they thank God as well.** They remind us not only to be grateful to other people who have been kind to us but also to God, who is the most generous of all. There are so many good things in our lives that we tend to take for granted; maybe, without thinking about it, we feel entitled.

It is good to take time to name the ways we have been blessed through life, to recognise God as the source of all these blessings, and to lift up our heart in praise and thanksgiving.

Our presence at Mass is a wonderful opportunity to do just that. The word, "Eucharist" comes from the Greek word for "Thanksgiving" At Mass we are offering with Jesus our own prayer of praise and thanksgiving to God the Father "through him, with him and in him"

Parents Meeting

A meeting of the parents/guardians of the boys and girls preparing for First Holy Communion will be held in the Parish Hall on Wednesday next at 8.00pm. The date for the celebration of the sacrament has been set for May 20th 2017.

Parish Calendar - Sponsors 2017

If any business, company or family with parish connections would like to sponsor a page of the 2017 parish calendar please contact Fr McGovern. Thanks to all who have put forward photographs of times past in the parish.

Autism- Thanks

The church gate collection came to €317. Thank you.

