

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: John Curley / Philomena Doyle / Paddy & Mary Cox
daughter Anne & Brigid O'Rourke / Michael McGarry.

10.30am: P J Bennett. **Mon 7.00pm:** Vincent & Michael Byrne.

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil 7.00pm: No special intention. **10.30am:** No special intention.

Last weekend Collection: €1555 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: Anne Marie Williams. **10.30am:** Patricia O'Brien
E.Ms. – Vigil: Garry Hughes **10.30 am:** Sarah McCormack

Feast Days

Nov 10th

Leo the Great (died 461)

Elected Pope in 440, Leo went on to be one of the best administrative Popes of the early Church. He is also known for his spiritually profound sermons.

Nov 11th

St Martin of Tours (316-397)

Martin was bishop of Tours (France). It was the people of the diocese that demanded he be their bishop. He is the patron saint of France.

Nov 15th

Albert the Great (1206-1280)

He was the eldest son of a powerful and wealthy German family. Despite fierce family opposition, he entered the Dominican order.

Lists of the Dead

People are invited to make a list of their deceased loved ones and to place the list in the box in the sanctuary. They will be prayed for during Masses in the month of November.

Sowing the Seed

I recall the story of an important government leader, not from recent times but from the past. He was an atheist who had no religious direction but, as a child, he had heard his grandmother pray and her words remained in his heart. At a very difficult time in his life, he recalled this; '*My grandmother used to pray.*' And so he began to recite the same words that his grandmother had used, and he found faith. Prayers, even small prayers, **sow** life. That is why it is so important to teach children to pray. I suffer when I encounter children who do not know how to make **the sign of the cross**. They have to be taught to make the **sign of the cross** properly, because it is the first prayer. Then perhaps over time they will forget or take another path, but the first prayers a child learns remain in the heart, because they are a seed of life, the seed of dialogue with God.

From the book - 'A gift of Joy and Hope' - Pope Francis.

Welcome

A warm welcome to the boys and girls and their families who are preparing for their **First Holy Communion**. (Vigil Mass)

DePaul Longford Homeless Service - Thanks

DePaul Homeless Services church gate collection last weekend raised **€547**. Thanks to all who contributed to this worthy cause.

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.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

A reminder: adoration of the Blessed Sacrament each Wednesday from 7.00pm – 8.00pm.

