

CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

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

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil: Peter Watters 10.30am: *No special intention.*

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: Daniel Hopkins & his uncle Joseph Hopkins.

10.30am: *Kevin & Nora Williams*

Last weekend Collection: €780.00. *Thank you.*

On Line contributions

IBAN: IE34 AIBK 9321 4026 9364 22 (BIC: AIBKIE2D)

A number of people have inquired about contributing to the weekly envelope and the dues collections on line. To do so you need the above details. The Parish of Clonguish A/C is with the A I B bank, Longford.

Next Weekend

Readers – Vigil:	10.30 am
E.Ms. - Vigil:	10.30 am

Feast Days

May 13th

Our Lady of Fatima

It was on this date in 1917 that the apparition took place in Fatima.

May 4th

St Matthias

He was the one chosen to replace Judas Iscariot.

Baptism

The following babies were recently welcomed into the Christian community – Harry Eoin Watters, Railway Court, Aaron Anthony Feeney, Treel and Allie Breege McCloughrey, Clegghill.

We pray God's blessing on the newly baptized and their families.

All you need is Love

'Love? Above all things I believe in love. Love is like oxygen. Love is a many splendoured thing. Love lifts us up where we belong. All you need is love' In an attempt to express the dept of his love, the character **Christian** from the film *Moulin Rouge* pulls together the lyrics of some of the most famous love songs of recent decades. Since time began, poetry, prose and song have attempted to put into words the great mystery that is love. *'At the touch of love everyone becomes a poet,'* the philosopher **Plato** put it.

Today's gospel offers one of the most eloquent passages on love in the gospels. It reveals the vision of Jesus for his followers and explains how we should treat one another. We are to love each other with the same love that Jesus showed during his time on earth, a love that culminated in his *'laying down his life for his friends'* It is in the way we love one another, the way we understand and forgive, that we experience the life and love of Jesus.

There are more that references to love in today's readings. In the second reading we hear that *'that everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God'*. That love that God showed by sending his son for us, is the same generous, wholehearted, self-sacrificing love that we are called to show to others- all others. God does not have favourites.

Triona Doherty

Churches Reopen

As on from Monday up to **50** people can attend **weekday** and **Sunday Masses**, as was the case before the lockdown. Our church reopens with the **7.00pm Mass on Monday May 10th**. Wearing of masks and social distancing still stands.

Trocaire Collection

The lenten **Trocaire** campaign has now, finally reached **€3,110**. The money has been forwarded to Trocaire this week. You can personally contribute to: **Trocaire, Maynooth, Co Kildare** at any time.

Church Web Cam

A web cam has been installed in our church and is now available to view. A reminder of our Mass times; **Vigil Saturday 7.00pm and Sunday 10.30am** Our Web Cam address is, **churchtv.ie/newtownforbes**

