# CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 9th 2018

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### MASSES THIS WEEK

No weekday Mass this week ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil: Thomas and Beatrice Beirne. 10.30am. No Special Intension.

#### **ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND**

**Vigil:** No special intension. **10.30am**. Sean and Winnie Manning / Peter Murphy / James and Elizabeth O'Neill.

Last weekend Collection: €1174.00. (including holyday). Thank you.

Next Weekend	
Readers—Vigil: Geraldine McVeigh	10.30am. Patricia O'Brien
E.Ms. Vigil: Al Yorke	10.30am. Joanne Quinn

#### **Feast Days**

#### Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>. Most Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary

This feast day began in Spain in 1513 and from there it spread throughout the rest Europe.

#### Sept.14<sup>th</sup> Triumph of the Cross

St Helena, mother of the Roman Emperor Constantine is credited with the discovery of what some believe to be the true cross

Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>. Our Lady of Sorrows

## Clonmacnois

The diocesan pilgrimage to **Clonmacnois** is on this Sunday. Ceremonies begin at 2.45pm.

## Baptisms

We welcomed into the Christian community on Saturday last, Gina Mae Reilly, Kilmore Lower, also Sarah Niamh Quinn, Cartrons. We pray God's blessing on the newly baptized and their parents

## **Season of Creation**

This year, the month of **September** has been designated by the Church as **The Season of Creation**. During this **Season of Creation**, we are all urged to listen to the cry of the earth. Scientists are telling us that unless drastic action is taken we will lose the battle against the environmental destruction which this world is faced with. The worldwide heatwave and drought which we experienced this summer is one example of how our planet is under pressure. Yet change is possible. As followers of **Christ** we have a duty to lead the way in caring for God's beautiful creation.

In the Gospel today, **Jesus** says to the deaf man, '**Ephphatha**! **Be opened**'! And the deaf man could hear again. We need to listen to what we are being told by the experts in climatology.

This week every household is being encouraged, if they haven't done so already, to ensure all waste is correctly recycled, and to compost. We should reduce and recycle as much as we can. We begin with the small actions and we encourage others to do the same.

Let us all be open to this call to care for our common home. Jane Mellett, Intercom Magazine

#### **Parish Pastoral Council**

The next Parish Pastoral Council will be on **Tuesday October 2^{nd} at** 8.00pm in the Parochial House.

#### **Active Retirement**

The Newtownforbes Active Retirement Group resume their meetings after the summer break on Thursday, September 13<sup>th,</sup> in Casey's Bar at 2.00pm. As always, new members are welcome.

### **Bethany Bereavement Support Group**

Meets on the first Wednesday of every month-10.45am - 11.45am and 8.00pm- 9.00pm. All bereave people are welcome. Family Center, St Mel's Rd. Phone 087 7552192.

Bingo: Today, Paddy Joe Murphy Hall, @ 3.00PM.

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