# CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER June 1<sup>st</sup> 2025

Fr. Ciaran McGovern. Tel: 043-3346805 Website: www.clonguishparish.ie / eMail: <u>clonguishparish@gmail.com</u> Web Cam: churchtv.ie/newtownforbes <u>MASSES THIS WEEK</u> Mon 7.00pm. Tues 9.00am. Thurs 9.00am. Fri 9.00am <u>ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND</u> Vigil 7.00pm. No special intention. 10.30am: Liam Quinn / Vincent & Anna Rose Reilly. Tues 9.00am: Eugene Hickey <u>ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND</u> Vigil 7.00pm: No intention. 10.30am: No intention.

Last weekend Collection: €1,090 *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: Liam Madden10.30am: Fionuala CarthyE.Ms. – Vigil: Al Yorke10.30 am: Michelle Ghee

#### Feast Days. June 3<sup>rd</sup>

St Kevin

St Kevin is an Irish hermit who lived at **Glendalough.** He died in 618.

## Baptism

We welcomed into the Christian community, **Donnacha John Murray**, Castle Park on Saturday. We pray God's blessing on the newly baptized and his family.

# First Friday

Friday is the **First Friday**. The usual house calls will be done at the usual times.

# **Cemetery Sunday**

Cemetery Sunday is on June 29th at 12.00 noon.

# **The Ascension**

A teacher once asked her class to draw a picture of the Ascension. One of her students, David, who was a particularly gifted artist, had Jesus blasting off into the sky. Down the side of Jesus' white garment were the letters NASA. When put on display all the children in the class said in chorus, "Awesome" The stories of the Ascension, however are not interested in how or when Jesus got back to heaven.

The one thing about which all the Gospel writers agree is where in heaven Jesus went and where he is presently – at God's right hand. In telling us, then, that Jesus is at God's right hand, the Gospels use shorthand to state that God affirms everything Jesus said and did on earth, and that he therefore is the One for us to follow.

The feast of the Ascension is the day each year where we remember that, just as Jesus was welcomed to God's right hand, so, too, we may be welcomed to the symbolic right hand of Jesus, this is our faith and this is the hope we're called to proclaim to the world. **Richard Leonard SJ** 

# **Parish Pastoral Councils**

A commissioning ceremony will take place for all Parish Pastoral Councils of the diocese in **St Mel's Cathedral** on **Sunday June 8<sup>th</sup> at 3.00pm**.

# Wedding Bells

Congratulations and best wishes to **Sinead Sorohan**, Creenagh and **Niall Farrelly**, Ballinalee, who were married on Friday. We wish the newly weds every blessing.

## **County Choir**

A Summer Choral Concert is on in **St Mel's Cathedral** on Sunday **June 1<sup>st</sup> at 7.30pm**. Soprano is **Maria Matthews &** Tenor is **Dermot Deely**. Tickets are €15 at the door.

## Samaritans

Their free to call Confidential Line number is **116 123.** This is a twenty four hour service.