

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: Shane Brennan / Cornelius & Ellen O'Kelly /
Richard, Anna Mae & Margaret Gregg.

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil 7.00pm: May & Micheal McGuinness / John & Mary Reilly.
10.30am: No special intention.

Last weekend Collection: €1,293 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: Geraldine McVeigh 10.30am: Frank Quinn.
E.Ms. – Vigil: Martin Ross 10.30 am: Elizabeth Moore

Feast Days.

May 13th

Our Lady of Fatima

The apparition to the three children of Fatima took place in the summer of 1917, beginning on May 13th when the 'Lady' asked them to pray for sinners and an end to the World War. In the final apparition on the 13th of October, the 'Lady' identified herself as **Our Lady of the Rosary** and called for prayer and conversion.

Baptism

We welcomed into the Christian community, **Faran Conall Stein**, Mahon Avenue, on Saturday last. We pray God's blessing on the newly baptised and his parents.

Good Shepherd Sunday

Today is **Good Shepherd Sunday**, a day dedicated to prayers for vocation to the priesthood and religious life. Vocations in life take many forms yet there remains an urgent need for people who are prepared to dedicate their lives to this work of service in the Church for the sake of the Gospel.

The latest Vatican statistics reveal that throughout the world there is a growing Catholic population but fewer pastoral workers. There are more permanent deacons and bishops and the rate of decline in religious orders has slowed down but there are also fewer seminarians and priests.

The harvest continues to be rich therefore, but the labourers remain few '*so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest*' as Jesus has requested.

Special Week

On Wednesday **Bishop Paul Connell** is coming to our parish to Celebrate the sacrament of **Confirmation at 3.00pm**. There are **46** candidates for Confirmation this year. On Saturday we have our celebration of **First Holy Communion** at 12.00pm.

Trocaire

The Trocaire collection for this year's Lenten campaign has come to **€3,015**, so far. This is somewhat down on last year. You can still make your contribution until mid May.

C A S A

The church gate collection came to **€363**. Thanks to all who contributed.

Lough Derg

The three day pilgrimage starts on **Friday May 30th** and continues to **August 12th**. Lough Derg also offers **One Day Retreats, Quiet Day, Heritage Day** and **Lake Shore Pilgrimage**. All details are on the church notice board. You can also call **353(0)719861518**, for further information.

Samaritans

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

