# CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER JUNE 13TH 2021

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#### **MASSES THIS WEEK**

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

#### ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

**Vigil:** No special intention. **10.30am**: May & Micheal MvGuinness / Paddy Donegan & deceased family members.

Fri: 7.00pm. Elizabeth O'Brien & deceased family members.

#### ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil: Ned Stokes (month's memory) 10.30am. No special intention.

Last weekend Collection: €1,005.00. 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: 10.30 am E.Ms. - Vigil: 10.30 am

# **Baptism**

We recently welcomed into the Christian community, Grace Mai McGuinness, Melview Glen / Cahanagh, Julia Ruth Kiernan, Lismore, Cillian James Coyle, Newtownforbes, and Matthew John Watters, Castleknock and Curryline. We pray God's blessing on the newly baptized and their families.

### **Feast Days**

June 14<sup>th</sup>

She is associated with **Tyndavnet**, Co Monaghan and was the founder of

a monastery.

June 15

St Swithins Day

"St Swithins Day if thou dost rain / for forty days it will remain"!

St Davnet

# **Small Beginnings**

Jesus gives us two parables this Sunday to show how from small beginnings great things happen; it's how the kingdom of God grows.

On December 1<sup>st</sup> 1955, in the city of Montgomery, Alabama, **Rosa Parkes** a 42 year - old black woman boarded a bus to go home after a long day working and shopping. She found a seat at the start of the black section. At the next stop some white people got on so the driver ordered her to get up and give her seat to a white woman. She refused to get up. The driver called a policeman. **Rosa** was arrested. Word quickly spread. A meeting was called and **Martin Luther King** addressed it. They made one basic demand; that passengers should be seated on a first come first-served basis, regardless of the colour of their skin. To achieve this, they began a boycott of the busses. People walked to work.

It was an extraordinary scene. Everywhere the sidewalks were crammed with people walking to work as the busses drove by empty but for some whites. The boycott lasted all winter. The leaders of the movement were arrested. Finally, the **Supreme Court** declared that the Alabama's segregation laws were unconstitutional. Victory was achieved. With a very simple act of refusing to give up her seat, **Rosa Parkes** started a revolution and righted a grievous wrong.

#### **First Confession**

First Confession will be celebrated in the church on Friday next at 1.30pm.

## **First Holy Communion**

The date has been set for **First Holy Communion**, Saturday October 2<sup>nd</sup> al going well.

#### Reader's Rota

We have had no readers at Mass since the pandemic started. We are very grateful to all our readers for their contribution to the parish over the years. Some have been on the reader's rota for many years and may wish to take a break. This may be a good time also to welcome new readers to our rota. If you would like to take a break or if you would like to become a reader at Mass please let Fr McGovern know.

# **Computer Training**

Mohill Computer Training is organizing a **QQI** full time training course, starting in September. To register call **071** 9632024.