

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. Anthony & Margaret Feeney / Larry & Peggy McGlynn.

10.30am. Eileen McGee.

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil 7.00pm: No special intention. 10.30am: No special intention.

.Last weekend Collection: €1195 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 7.00pm: Anne McCann. 10.30am: Andrew Hanly.

E.Ms. – Vigil: Carmel O'Shea. 10.30 am: Bernie Reilly.

Feast Days

July 14th St Camillus de Lellis (1550-1614)

He founded hospitals and is the patron saint of nurses and the sick.

July 15th St Bonaventure (1221-1274)

St Bonaventure was an *Italian Franciscan* renowned theologian of his time. He was cured of a serious illness as a child. He attributed the cure to the intercession of *St Francis of Assisi*.

July 16th Our Lady of Mount Carmel

For centuries the *Carmelites* have seen themselves as specially related to Mary. Their great saints and theologians have promoted devotion to her. Mt Carmel is in *Northern Israel*. Hermits have lived there since the twelfth century.

Baptism

We welcomed into the Christian family, *Caragh Michaela Katie Kane*, Castle Park on Saturday. We pray God's blessing on the newly baptized.

Who is My Neighbour ?

The lawyer in today's Gospel asks **Jesus** "*Who is my neighbour?*" In a subtle way **Jesus** tells the lawyer who the neighbour is by making him not a fellow **Jew** but a foreigner, an outsider, a member of a despised ethnic group. In the battered man by the side of the road, the **Samaritan** sees not a **Jew** but a fellow human being who desperately needs his help. And he does what we all like to think we would have done in similar circumstances.

The story must have bothered those who first heard it; it was threatening to them. What about us? The name Samaritan has no negative connotations for us. But think of other nationalities, other religions, other ethnic groups, asylum seekers. If you have no negative feelings at all to any of them, you are most blessed. It means you have grasped one of the central features of **Jesus'** message: that in the sight of **God**, differences of race, nationality, sex or religion have no importance compared to our common humanity. Christianity is a universal religion. It teaches that all men and women are sons and daughters of **God**, members of one great big family, all equally deserving of our respect and concern. There is no place for prejudice, disrespect, or discrimination.

James DiGiacomo, sj

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock

The annual pilgrimage to Knock is on Sunday **September 7th**, starting with the anointing of the sick at 2.30pm. Concelebrated Mass is at **3.00pm**.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

A reminder; **adoration** each **Wednesday** in the church from **7.00 – 8.00 pm**.

Samaritans

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

