

CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER
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MASSES THIS WEEK

Mon 7.00pm. Fri 9.00am.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil 7.00pm: *Peter & Mary Gallagher / Mary McGrath & deceased members of the Christie & McGrath families / J J Dolan & Kathleen Egan / Anne Donnelly / Teresa Farrell & deceased members of the McGee & Farrell families.*

10.30am : *Brendan Harris / Tommy & Kathleen Allen.*

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil 7.00pm: *Ailish Mulligan.* **10.30am:** *Hugh Connolly.*

Last weekend Collection: €1265. 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. *Liam Madden* **10.30am:** *Anne Devlin*

E.Ms : Vigil: 7.00pm: *Carmel O'Shea* **10.30am:** *Bernie Reilly*

Feast Days

Aug. 17th

Our Lady of Knock

The National Novena to Our Lady of Knock is from August 13 to 21st. Daily ceremonies take place each day at 3.00pm and 8.00pm. The anointing of the sick takes place each day at 2.30pm.

Aug. 20th

St Bernard (1090-1153)

He was a Cistercian monk and became abbot of the renowned monastery at Clairvaux (France) in 1115.

Aug. 21st

St Pius X (1835-1914)

He was Pope from 1903-1914. He encouraged frequent communion, to which he admitted young children.

Aug. 22nd

The Queenship of Mary

Mary was always venerated as queen of the angels & the saints.

Mothers

In today's Gospel, the story of the **Canaanite** woman, we see the unshakeable determination of a mother. She refuses to be put off or give up. She is an example of perseverance, courage and love. Jesus said to her ***"Woman you have great faith"***

John Lonergan, former **Governor of Mountjoy** prison once wrote *'In all my years in the prison service I have not met five prisoners who have had a bad relationship with their mothers. The mothers never fail to visit and they never fail to take responsibility. We saw then every day, mothers with maybe more than one drug addict in the family, queuing to visit their son in jail, living out their lives with no resources, no support, nothing.*

It is unbelievable, considering the amount of pressure that mothers come under and the amount of suffering they have to go through because their children get into trouble'.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock

Sunday September 6th, anointing of the sick- **2.30pm**, Mass - **3.00pm**. For bus info. call **043 3346465**.

Wedding Bells

Congratulations to **Natalya Vyshnevskya**, Tarmonbarry & Ukraine, and **Brian Jordan**, Deerpark, who were married on Tuesday last in St Mary's church, Newtownforbes. We wish the newly weds every blessing in their future lives.

Eucharistic Adoration

Each **Wednesday**, for an hour from **7.00pm – 8.00pm**.

Samaritans

Their free to call Confidential Line is **116 123**. It's a 24 hour service.

Gamblers anonymous

Their phone numbers are **01 872113** and **087 2622804**.

Alcoholics Anonymous

Meetings in Family Centre, Longford – **Tuesday** and **Thursday** 1.00, **Wed.** and **Sat.** 8.00pm. **Sunday** 11.30am.

