

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: *Michael Mahon and deceased family members / Peg, Sean and John Houlihan and deceased family members / John and Brigid Campbell, Pat and Kathleen Reilly.***10.30am:** *Jane Amooty.*

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil 7.00pm: *Packie Prunty / Richard & Anna May Gregg.*
10.30am : *Rose Mullany.*

Last weekend Collection: €.846 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 Marie Williams* **10.30am.** *Laura Hussey*
E.Ms : Vigil : *Cathy Murphy* **10.30am:** *Michelle Feeney*

Feast Days

April 21st

St Anselm (1033 – 110)

Anselm was a French man At the age of 27 he entered the monastery at Bec, Normandy, against his fathers wishes. Anselm was admired for his patience, gentleness and his teaching skills. He was appointed the archbishop of Canterbury in 1093.

April 23rd

St George

He is the patron saint of England.

April 25th

St Mark

Mark's Gospel is the first and the shortest of the four Gopels.

Baptism

We welcomed into the Christian family, Charles Roy Robinson, Currygranny on Saturday. We pray God's blessing on the newly baptized and his family.

Choir Centenary

This weekend, as well as hosting **Fleadh Cheoil Longfoirt** in our parish, we are also celebrating the centenary of the our parish choir. In **1926 Mrs Prudence Flynn** became the first lay person to be in charge of the parish choir. Before then it was mostly the **Sisters of Mercy** and children from their school who were responsible for the choir. The Sisters also contributed greatly to the choir in the subsequent year.

Today we thank all who over the years gave of their time and talents to serve the parish in this way. They are too numerous to mention.

Today's choir, under the direction of **Derek Mahady** is a continuation of the great service of those who have gone before. In a world filled with division and confusion our church choir offers harmony and peace raising our hearts and souls to praise God. "He or she who sings prays twice" is a phrase attributed to **St Augustine**. That reminds us of the importance of liturgical music in the life of the Church today.

Trocaire

The Trocaire collection has reached **€5,000**. The collection remains open until **May 1st**. There is still time for people to make a contribution to the Trocaire collection.

Fleadh Cheoil Longfoirt

Newtownforbes is hosting the **Co Longford Fleadh Cheoil** this weekend. Sunday highlights will include a storytelling and poetry reading afternoon in the **Loft hair salon** from **2.00 to 4.00pm**. All are welcome.

C A S A – Church gate collection

This collection will be taken up next weekend. Please support.

Mission Appeal

Br Brian Johnson of the **Franciscan Brothers** monastery, **Clara, Co. Offaly** will speak about the missionary work of the Franciscan Brothers in **Kenya** and **Uganda** at the two Masses next weekend, April 25/26. ...

