

CLONGUISH PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MASSES THIS WEEK

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

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEKEND

Vigil 7.00pm: *Bridget McGee.*

10.30am: *Ellie, Michael & Liam Farrell / Ned Stokes / Mary O'Malley.*

Mon 7.00pm: *Peig, Sean and John Houlihan*

ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil 7.00pm. *No special intention.* 10.30am: *Liam Quinn.*

Last weekend Collection: €825 *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: *Clodagh McCann* 10.30am: *Andrew Hanly*
E.Ms. – Vigil: *Cathy Murphy* 10.30 am: *Michelle Feeney*

Feast Days.

May 31st

The Visitation

Today's feast recalls 'Blessed Mary carrying her son within her womb visiting her cousin Elizabeth to offer charitable assistance and to proclaim the mercy of God the Saviour'.

June 1st

St Justin (Martyr)

St Justin is a second century martyr in Rome.

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.

Humility

“The world tells us to seek success, money and power. God tells us to seek **humility, service, and love**. The real power is in service. Leaders – whether in the Church, in government, in business – must never forget that true greatness is found in humbling oneself, in bending low to wash the feet of others as Jesus did.” (**Homily, Holy Thursday, 2013**)

“We must always guard against the temptation to think we are better than others, to feel self-sufficient. This is a great danger in the spiritual life.

It is when we are most convinced of our righteousness that we are furthest from God, because pride has closed our hearts to grace. True holiness begins with the humble admission that we are sinners in need of mercy” (**January 2014**)

Pope Francis

Prayer in time of Exams

Loving **God**, be with me now as I prepare for my exams. Thank you for the many talents, gifts and the opportunity of education you have given me. Calm my nerves and anxiety, help me to remember all that I have studied, to express it clearly and to answer the questions to the very best of my ability. **Holy Spirit**, be with me in my exams- and always.

‘Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.’ (Philippians 4:6)

Lourdes Pilgrimage

The annual diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes led by **Bishop Paul Connell** begins on Friday next. The pilgrims return on Thursday June 4th.

Samaritans

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

