

# 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: *Jennifer Hutchinson* 10.30am: *No special intention.*

### ANNIVERSARIES NEXT WEEKEND

Vigil 7.00pm.: *Jimmy, Brigid, Josephine, Willie, Liam, Gerry & Paddy Casey.* 10.30am: *No special intention.*

**Last weekend Collection: €1092.** *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: *Andrew Hanly*  
E.Ms. – Vigil: *Garry Hughes* 10.30 am: *Sarah McCormack*

### Feast Days

Sept 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Gregory the Great** (540-604)

*He is known for being direct and firm as Pope. He removed unworthy priests from office, emptied the papal treasury to care for persecuted Jews as well as victims of plague and famine. He is known for his reform of the liturgy and strengthening respect for doctrine.*

Sept 4<sup>th</sup>

**St Mac Nissi**

*A bishop of Down and Connor (Belfast) in the early sixth century Irish Church, he claimed that St Patrick baptized him and taught him the psalms!!*

### First Friday

*Friday next is the **First Friday**. The usual house calls will be done at the usual times. If anyone housebound or elderly would like to receive **Holy Communion** on the First Friday please let **Fr McGovern** know.*

## Season of Creation

The **Season of Creation** begins tomorrow, **September 1<sup>st</sup>** and continues to **October 4<sup>th</sup>** the feast of **St Francis of Assisi**. This is a time when we especially think about and pray for God's creation and the environment.

In the year **1225 St Francis of Assisi** composed the **Canticle of Creation**, his song of praise to God for the power, wonder and beauty of creation. His canticle echoes the words of **Jesus** when he spoke of the birds of the air and the lilies of the field '***not even Solomen in all his glory was arrayed like one of these***'

Those who preach '***drill baby drill***' (oil and coal) and who boast of not caring about what happens to the world after their own time on earth is ended must be challenged and brought to account. **Pope Leo** is continuing the good work of caring for the environment started by **Pope Francis**.

In the **Mass for the care of Creation**, the prayer after Communion says '*while we await the new heaven and the new earth, may we learn to live in harmony with all creatures.*'

**Paul Clayton-Lea**

### Marathon - Thanks

The **Abbott Longford Marathon** committee wishes to thank the local stewards who helped to guide the runners safely through the village and the parish on Sunday last. Well done to **Jonathon Coppinger** who was first from the parish to finish the marathon in **3 hours and 46 minutes**.

### Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock - Bus

The annual diocesan pilgrimage to Knock is on Sunday **next**, starting with the anointing of the sick at 2.30pm. Concelebrated **Mass** is at **3.00pm**. **Bus** leaves Ballymahon Street at 10.30am. **Fare €15**. To book a seat call **043 3346465**

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

A reminder: **adoration** each **Wednesday** from **7.00pm – 8.00pm**.

### Samaritans

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

