

CLONARD PARISH RADIO
 All Church services are broadcast on 92.9 FM.
 Please inform people who are sick or housebound so that they can join us over the airwaves.
Masses

Saturday Vigil Mass
 6.00 p.m.

Sunday
 9.00 a.m., 10.00 a.m. and 11.30 a.m.

Monday, Wednesday Thursday & Friday:
 10.00 a.m. and 7.00 p.m.

Tuesday
 10.00 a.m.

Bank Holiday Monday
 11.00 a.m. only

Service of Holy Communion
 Tuesday at 7.00 p.m.

**Haven Pharmacy
 Murphy's
 Clonard**

Opening hours:
Mon. – Fri.
9.00 a.m. – 6.30 p.m.
Sat. 9.30 a.m. – 5.30 p.m.
Prescriptions GMS DPS LTI etc.

Padraig Murphy MPSI
053-9184444

Our Parish Representative and contact person in respect of the Ferns Diocesan Child Safeguarding Policy is: Tom Aherne
 Tel: 087-6626915

**Acorn Shop
 Opening Hours**

Monday to Friday
 9:30am – 1:00pm

Wednesday 2:00pm – 5:00pm

Gifts
 Cards
 Mass cards
 Statues
 Prayers



Clonard Parish Newsletter

Saturday the 12th & Sunday the 13th of January 2019

Clonard Parish Office, Clonard, Wexford. Tel: 053/9123672
www.clonardparish.ie E-mail: clonardparishoffice@eircom.net
 Facebook: Church of the Annunciation Clonard Parish

Hold my Hand in Weakness

Lord God, you are my strength.
 Hold my hand in my weakness and teach my heart to fly. With you, there's nothing to fear, nothing to worry about. Hold me tight in your embrace, so that I can be stronger than the challenges in my life.
Amen.

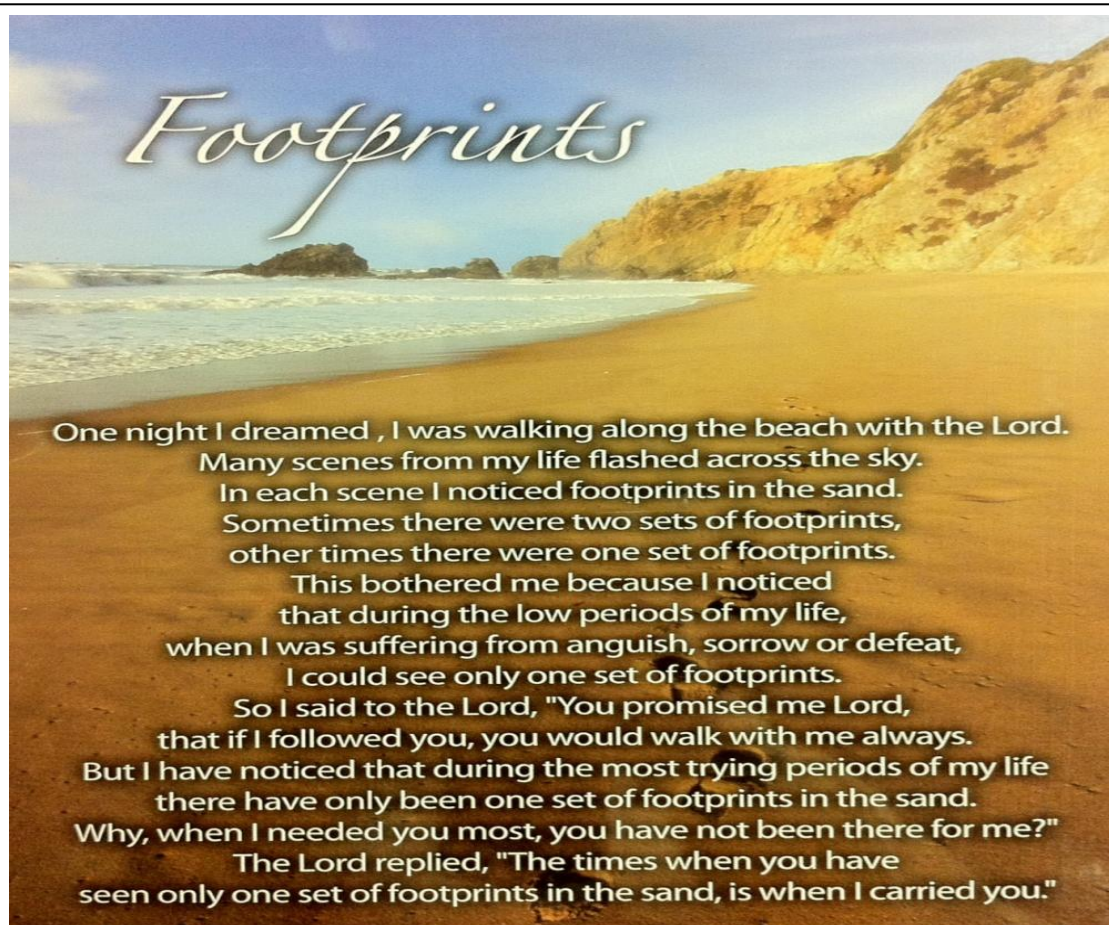
How do we know that God exists?

We know that God exists because we can see his footprints all over the world. Look at all this: the sun in the sky, the stars at night, the woods, mountains, seas and rivers, the big and the small animals, people on all continents. God made all this. The fish in the sea said to one another, "They say our whole life depends on water. But what is it? We have never seen it." So they asked a wise old fish to show them the water. The old fish said: "Oh, you stupid fish! You are living in it... and you've never realized it?"

Just like the fish in the water, man lives in God. He cannot live without his Creator and Sustainer. And yet he asks: "Where is God?"

You need to know 2 things. First: God is everywhere, nothing exists without him. And secondly: God is not everything, but he is the Origin of everything. He is infinitely greater than everything there is.

Pope Francis asks us to: **"Be a living chain, so that from generation to generation, the gospel may always be present in our families, our communities and in the Church."**



One night I dreamed, I was walking along the beach with the Lord.
 Many scenes from my life flashed across the sky.
 In each scene I noticed footprints in the sand.
 Sometimes there were two sets of footprints, other times there were one set of footprints.
 This bothered me because I noticed that during the low periods of my life, when I was suffering from anguish, sorrow or defeat, I could see only one set of footprints.
 So I said to the Lord, "You promised me Lord, that if I followed you, you would walk with me always. But I have noticed that during the most trying periods of my life there have only been one set of footprints in the sand. Why, when I needed you most, you have not been there for me?"
 The Lord replied, "The times when you have seen only one set of footprints in the sand, is when I carried you."

PRIEST ON DUTY

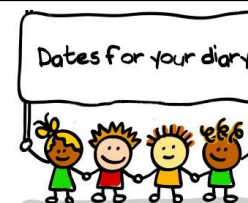
Tel. 087-1708705

Please inform the priest on duty or the parish office if a family member is in hospital or would like a visit from a member of the parish team.
 Right Rev. Monsignor Denis Lennon P.P., V.F.,
 Rev. Barry Larkin C.C.,

The Weekly Envelope collection for the week ending the 23rd & 30th of December and 6th of January amounted to **€3,561.00**
 Our thanks to everyone who contributes.

Confessions Every Saturday

5.00 - 5.45pm



Taize Service

Sunday the 20th of January at 7pm

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord and Blessing of the Candles (Candlemas Day)
 Saturday the 2nd of February at 10am

St. Brigid's Service

Sunday the 3rd of February at 7pm

Oxfam Shop

The Oxfam Shop in Wexford thanks all of their customers and supporters for their generous support and wishes you all a Very Happy and Peaceful New Year
 We are seeking Volunteers for the New Year. If you have any time to spare, please call into the shop on North Main Street for further details.

WEXARA

January Lunch: Riverbank Hotel Wednesday the 16th of January at 1.00pm

Next General Meeting: Clonard Community Centre
 Wednesday the 30th of January at 2.30pm.

Clonard Parish Over 60's Social

Thursday the 21st of February
 in
 Clonard Community Centre
 at 8pm
 Dancing 9.30pm till 12.00pm
 Subscription €5
 Tickets available from the Parish Office until Thursday the 14th of February

Clonard Guiding Unit

Our Brigin section is 40 years in the Parish of Clonard this year. We would love to know more about how we were set up and what the girls did, if anyone has any old photos from over the 40 years, we would love to see them and get copies. If you can help us please contact Michelle at 0860567929.

We have a lot planned for all our girls to celebrate so watch out for news of everything that will be happening.

Thank you to all that supported the County Wexford Community Workshop Church Gate Collection recently.

Pilgrimage to Krakow, Poland from Sept 26 to Oct 3. Visit places linked to St John Paul 11, Salt Mines, Auschwitz, Jasna Gora etc. For further information contact Martin Colfer on 087 2596159.

The Hook of Faith: This Weeks Contents

Check out the latest resources at www.thehookoffaith.com This week features a homily for the feast of the Lord's Baptism by Fr Sean Devereux, PP Cushinstown. There is also an article on how our own baptism is a continual source of meaning for our lives. We have the last of the four talks given at the 'Faith on Fire' conference in November, given by Dr Sean O'Leary on 'Faith Tested'. In this talk, Sean explores the reality of how faith is tested by life today but has within itself the power to endure. Our video this week is from the World Meeting of Families with Bishop Brendan Leahy on 'Handing on Faith in the Home'. Finally, Maria Colfer, co-ordinator of the Ferns Diocesan Pastoral Council, recalls the exciting times of first being invited to contribute to the pastoral mission of the Church and her hopes for that same enthusiasm today.

CLONARD LOTTO

Lotto results for January 9th 2019

No Jackpot Winner

6 Match 3 Winners receive €108-00 each
Winning numbers: 14 – 19 – 27 - 28

Jackpot for January 16th 2019 - €5,300
 Seller of winning Jackpot Ticket will receive €530-00

Tickets are €1.50 at the Parish Office. Lotto draw takes place every Wednesday night at Clonard Bingo at 8.30 p.m.
If you wish to join or be a promoter please call to the Parish Office to have it arranged.