Mass intentions for August

Friday 1 August John and Margaret (Maggie)

Hynes.

Sunday 3 August Patrick (Bud) Dunning, Balli-

naculla.

Friday 8 August Month's mind for Nancy Ward

Sunday 10 August Kieran Dunning and his grand-

daughter Hannah Rose Martin

Friday 15 August Ned and Mary Egan

Mass in cemetery at 8 pm.

Sunday 17 August Margaret Dunning

Sunday 24 August Tim, Laurence and Mary

Geoghegan, Pidgeonfield.

Sunday 31 August Paddy Dunning, Ballinaculla.

Altar Servers for August

Sunday 3 August Hazel, Anthony, Caolan

Sunday 10 August Aoife C, Aoife P, Eoin

Sunday 17 August Fiona, Jane, Kevin

Sunday 24 August Elaine, Lucy, Sarah

Sunday 31 August Ciara, Sinéad, Katie

Reader for August: Dermot Fogarty

Altar Society: Kathleen Shine, Ann Shanahan

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Mass in Cemetery

There will be Mass in Clonown Cemetery on Friday 15 August at 8 pm.

New Curate for Parish

The people in Clonown welcome the news that Fr John Coughlan has been appointed as curate. Fr Coughlan, who was ordained in June, is a native of Ballygawley, Co. Sligo. Between 1993 and 1998 he attended Summerhill College in Sligo. Having studied engineering in Sligo IT he entered St. Patrick's College, Maynooth in 2001 to study for the priesthood. In 2004, he graduated from NUI Maynooth with a BA (Hons) in Philosophy and Sociology and in 2006 he obtained a diploma in Pastoral Studies. In October he will graduate with a Bachelor of Divinity (Hons) degree. Fr Coughlin will start working in the parish on 22 August. We wish him a long and happy time in the parish.

GAA Star

Congratulations to Cathal Shine, a member of the Roscommon Minor Team in this year's Connacht Championship. By all accounts Cathal is an exceptional footballer so we should be hearing more about him in future.

Féile 2008

Congratulations to Ciara Costello, Hazel Menton, Deirdre Ward and Aoibhinn Golden who played on the Under 14 Clann na nGael girls' football team in *Féile Peil na nÓg* in County Cavan. The team was representing County Roscommon at the competition, which was open to all the counties in Ireland. They reached the semi-finals in their division. Congratulations also to their trainers Kevin Naughton, Michael Dunning and Terry O'Neill. Laragh GAA club, Stradone, County Cavan acted as hosts to the girls. They stayed with families in the area and had a wonderful time.

We also wish also to congratulate the girls on becoming Under 14 county champions. More stars of the future!

Welcome to visitors

A very special welcome to the Spanish students who are staying in the area and also to Krystina from Minsk in Belarus who is here for the second year.

. Interesting Statistics

A project carried out by children (Ciara and Elaine) in Clonown school showed the following numbers of children registered in the school over the years.

Year	Boys	Girls	Total	Year	Boys	Girls	Totsl
1928	42	31	73	1975	16	15	31
1930	50	39	89	1980	15	17	32
1932	52	40	92	1995	16	16	32
1936	42	43	85	2000	11	21	32
1950	14	13	27	2008	9	17	26

What is interesting about these figures is that there was a huge drop in numbers between 1936 and 1950. It is interesting, also, that the numbers have changed little since 1950.

Roscommon Community Forum

The Community Centre Committee has recently registered with Roscommon Community Forum. The Forum will keep us informed of new developments of interest to the committee. At present the forum is promoting a Green Home Programme. The programme aims to help householders reduce waste and fuel bills. For further information log on to www.greenhome.ie.

Nancy Ward RIP

We express our sincerest sympathy to Teresa, John, Ciara and Sinéad Costello, Fr Larney, Kathleen and Willie Shine and other relatives on the recent death of Nancy Ward (neé Shine), Curnaboll

Bridget O'Connor RIP

We wish also to sympathise with PJ O'Connor, Carricknaughton and Margaret Shine (Moore) on the death of their mother, Bridget.

Go ndéana Dia trócaire ar a n-anamacha