

Mass intentions for November

Saturday 1 November	Delia, Laurance and Michael Shine, Curnaboll.
Sunday 2 November	Commemoration of All Souls
Friday 7 November	Stephen, Annie, Patrick Fallon and deceased family members.
Sunday 9 November	Bridget Flynn and deceased members of the Shine family.
Sunday 16 November	James and Mary Egan and deceased family members.
Sunday 23 November	Mary and Johnnie Harney, Crannaghbeg.
Sunday 30 November	PJ and Mossy Curley and deceased family members.

Altar Servers for November

Sunday 2 November	Sarah, Lucy, Íde
Sunday 9 November	Anthony, Eoin
Sunday 16 November	Niamh, Deirdre
Sunday 23 November	Sinéad, Aoife, Katie
Sunday 30 November	Sarah, Lucy, Íde

Reader for November: Helen Cunningham

Altar Society: Tess Dunning, Rosaleen Curley

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**November is the month of the
Holy Souls**

1 November: All Saints Day

2 November: All Souls Day

**The Rosary will be recited in the cemetery on
Sunday 9 November after eleven o'clock Mass**

Community Centre Reopening

The community centre was officially reopened on Friday, 10 October. There was a concelebrated Mass and the building was blessed by Canon Liam Devine. Afterwards Canon Devine spoke about the history of the building which had been built around 1830 and continued as a church until 1965 when the new church was opened. In 1970 the building was opened as a community centre which proved very successful until the 1980s when it fell into disrepair. The chairperson of the committee, Michael Fallon, thanked all those who helped out during the four years of planning, those who took part in fundraising, those who bought and sold tickets for the draw and all those who volunteered their time and skills. He thanked particularly Gerry Pettit who drew up the plans, the builder, Michael Hasset as well as Leader and Pobal who provided grant aid. Music for the Mass and afterwards for the dancing was provided by Sean Crehan. There was a great welcome for Fr Cox and Kevin McGeany, who had served in Clonown in recent years. Fr Denis Gavin and Fr Larney Shine, who had said their first Masses in the old church returned for the occasion. Refreshments were served to the large attendance by the committee.

Display of Photographs

Kathy Hardiman prepared a wonderful display of old photographs in the meeting room of the community centre for the night of the reopening. There were pictures of Clonown people dating back to the beginning of the twentieth century and also photographs of the flora and fauna in the area. It is hoped to have a permanent display of old photographs at some time in the future.

Presentation to Fr Eamonn Kelly

A presentation was made to Fr Eamonn Kelly, on behalf of the Clonown people, to thank him for the work he had done during the time he served as priest for the area when there was no other priest available.

Cross Country Success

Congratulations to Katie Costello who came second in Connacht in Cross Country running at the Community Games in Sligo.

Roscommon Champions

Again we are reporting on the success of girls' football in the area. This time local girls played a major part in Clan na nGael's win of the under 12, 1 A County Final. Congratulations to Ciara Costello, Aoibhinn Golden and Hazel Menton who were part of the team that beat St Brigid's. Ciara captained the team and won the player of the match award. A special word of praise goes to their hardworking trainers, Caitriona Meehan and Peter Shine.

Children's Concert for Bothar

The concert held by the children of Clonown National School in the community centre in aid of Bothar last June raised enough money to buy two goats, thus enabling two families in a third world country to provide for themselves.

Flower Arranging Classes

The classes in flower arranging are now full and no further applications can be taken. They will start on Tuesday 11 November in the community centre at 7.30 pm. Details will be given to the people involved, about what to bring along, before that date.

Bowling and Keep Fit

Bowling continues every Wednesday night from 8 pm.

Keep Fit for women: Thursday at 7.45

Keep Fit for men: Thursday at 9 pm

New members are always welcome for both activities.

The Hunt in Clonown

There was a lot of colour in Clonown on Sunday 12 October when Glasson Farmer's Children's Hunt took place. Over seventy children took part. At first there was a hack around the area and this was followed by jumping in Ballinaculla and Oldtown. Afterwards everybody went to the community centre where they had refreshments.

Baby Girl

Congratulations to Jason and Cliona Shine, Buggane, on the birth of their baby daughter.