Mass intentions for April

Easter Sunday Johney and Annie Egan,

Curnaboll

Sunday 11 April Kieran and Annie Hynes,

Curnaboll

Sunday 18 April Joe and Ned Roche, Togher.

Sunday 25 April Ann and Tom O'Brien.

Altar Servers for Holy Week and the month of April

Easter Sunday Anthony and Eoin

Sunday 11 April Niamh and Íde

Sunday 18 April Katie, Sinéad, Aoife

Sunday 25 April Sarah and Lucy

Eucharistic Ministers:

4 April, 11 April Mary Naughton

18 April, 25 April Ann Golden

Reader for April: Ann Shanahan Altar Society: Church closed

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We wish Clonown people everywhere A very happy Easter

Easter Ceremonies

Due to the ongoing renovation of the church there will be no Holy Week ceremonies in Clonown this year. Information on times of the ceremonies in Athlone will be in the parish bulletin.

Retirement

It is with sadness that we learn Mrs Margaret Duck who has taught in Clonown National School for forty years, will retire at the end of June.

Cake Sale

The cake sale which took place after Mass on St Patrick's Day was a great success. The hall was decorated for the occasion making the place very festive. The pastoral group wishes to thank all those who donated cakes, hampers and other goods and all those who contributed to the sale. A special word of thanks goes to the school band who kept the people entertained with Irish music. A sum of €1070 was raised.

Display of Dancing

The children in Clonown National School treated parents and friends to a display of hip-hop dancing in Clonown Community Centre recently.

Charity Walk

There will be a sponsored walk in aid of the church restoration fund on Sunday 11 April. The walk will start at the community centre at 3 pm. The route will be—Curnaboll road, the bog road (Egan's road), turn right at the garage, and right again at Murphy's turn. If you do not wish to do the entire walk you could start at any point along the route, for example Murphy's turn. The route is 10 k and from Murphy's 4k. Sponsorship cards will be available after Mass on Sundays or from Ann Dunning (087)

Church Restoration Fund

Recently Fr Coughlan gave an account of progress that has been made on the church restoration. Also information was given on the different pieces of furniture that have been ordered. A leaflet has been circulated on the cost of each item. If anyone wishes to contribute towards the cost any piece of furniture please contact a member of the pastoral group or email <u>info@clonown.com</u>.

The amount raised for the restoration fund is as follows.

28 February	225.00
7 March	270.00
14 March	250.00
21 March	259.00
Cake sale	1078.45
Donation	230.00
Tax rebate	6000.00
Already collected	3438.50

Total €11,750.45

Parish Draw

Congratulation to all those who won prizes at the Parish Draw.

Rural Transport

The weekly bus will be travelling on Thursday (Holy Thursday) instead of Good Friday at the usual time.

Mary Gaffey RIP

Our deepest sympathy to the family of Mary Gaffey, Carrick-naughten, on her recent death.

Luke Dempsey

We sympathise also with the Gavin family, Ballinaculla, on the death of Helen's uncle, Luke Dempsey.