

### **Mass Intentions for September**

Friday 5 September: Paddy and Bridie Egan, Cunny

Sunday 7 September: Paddy Dunning, Ballinaculla

Sunday 14 September: John, Mike and Kate Gavin, Cappamore

Sunday 21 September: Kathleen and Sonny Cunningham

Sunday 28 September: Nancy and Francey Hughes

### **Mass Servers for August**

Sunday 7/14 September : Kayla, Anna, Aileen:

Sunday 21/28 September: Joseph, Cian

Sunday 5/12 October: Sean, Eoghan

**Reader:** Maura Shine

### **Ministers of the Eucharist:**

7 September Helen Cunningham

14/21 September: Margaret Crehan

28 Sept/5 October: Peadar Molloy

**Altar Society:** Bridget Henry, Maureen Dunning

# CLOWN NEWSLETTER

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Congratulations  
to all our young sports people  
who had a  
hugely successful  
Community Games

### **Walking Track Lights**

The committee of Clonown Community Site Project is pleased to announce that the lights on the walking track will be switched on for the first time on Sunday 7 September 2014 from dusk to 9.30 pm. Please see the attached leaflet for further details. The committee will be holding a fund-raising cycle – the Mid Shannon Cycle Tour – on Sunday, 28 September 2014 at 10.00 am with a family cycle from Clonown at 1.00 pm. Please see posters and local press for further details.

### **FAI Tickets**

The Republic of Ireland will take on Gibraltar in the first home game of the Euro 2016 qualifying campaign on Saturday, 11 October 2014 at 5.00 pm in the Aviva Stadium. The FAI has given Clonown a number of tickets for this match. If there is enough interest, a bus may be organized from Clonown. For further information, please contact Jackie Cunningham (086 3559003).

### **Athlone Half Marathon Run**

The Flat-line Half Marathon takes place on Saturday, 13 September at 11.00 am starting at St Aloysius School. The route takes in Clonown and Creggane and back to Athlone on the old Ballinasloe Road. Most of the runners will have passed through the Clonown area by 12 o'clock. Please take care if driving as this is a large event with over 1,000 runners.

### **Comment by FAI Chief**

The Westmeath Independent ( 9 August 2014) reported that John Delaney of the FAI, on his recent visit to the midlands, picked out the visit to Clonown as the highlight of the week and the place where they received the warmest reception. He said that the pictures the local children had drawn were fantastic. 'For me it was the most touching moment', he added.

### **Cemetery Sunday**

There was a very large attendance at the ceremonies in the graveyard on Cemetery Sunday. The organisers wish to thank all those who contributed to the collection for the upkeep of the cemetery which amounted to €677.

### **All Ireland Champions**

Well done to the Drum/Clonown U10 boys team who became All-Ireland Champions at the recent Community Games in Athlone. Over the past few months they became Roscommon, Connacht and All Ireland Champions. On the way to their victory they defeated teams from Monaghan and last years champions – Clane, Co Kildare. Four of the team come from the Clonown area – Liam Ward, Diarmuid O'Brien, Shane Gavin and Eoghan Galvin.

### **Swimming Success**

Congratulations also to Aileen Ward who won a bronze medal in the U13 swimming relay at the All-Ireland Community Games. It is incredible to think that five medals have come to Clonown from these games. Well done, also, to their coaches.

### **Dumping of Rubbish**

Recently a lot of rubbish has been dumped in the area between Carricknaughton and Creggane. This rubbish includes household appliances. If anyone sees rubbish being dumped please contact the litter warden at Roscommon County Council.

### **School Report by Joseph Kelly**

After a nice Summer we were all glad to see our friends again. We have four new infants in our school. We are very proud of Diarmuid O'Brien and Liam Ward who were on the Drum/Clonown football team who won the All-Ireland Community Games. Thanks to Kathy Fahy, Pdraig Harney, Peter Ward, Laurence Shine and Margaret Duce for their hard work over the summer getting the school ready for September. Congratulations also to Aileen Ward who won a bronze medal in the U13 swimming relay All Ireland.

### **Altar Servers**

Any children who have made their First Holy Communion and who wish to become altar servers please contact Fr Sean or a member of the Pastoral Group. There will be training in the near future.