

Mass Intentions for December

Friday 5 December: Johnny and Mary Flynn

Sunday 7 December: Ned and Catherine Shine

Monday 8 December: Not booked

Sunday 14 December: James and Mary Egan, their son Tommy, and deceased family members.

Sunday 21 December: Margaret Shine, Drumlosh

Christmas Eve: Not booked

Christmas Day: Johney Shine, Curnaboll

Sunday 28 December: John Dunning, his parents, Michael and Delia, The Park.

Mass Servers for December

7/8 December: Joseph, Cian

14/21 December: Sean, Eoghan, Lorcan

Christmas Eve: Kayla, Aileen, Anna, Rachel

Christmas Day: Joseph, Cian, Liam

28 December/4 January: Sean, Eoghan, Lorcan

Ministers of the Eucharist:

7 December: Peadar Molloy

14/21 December: Mary Naughton

Christmas Eve/Christmas Day: Ann Golden

28 Dec/4 Jan: Helen Cunningham

Reader: Rachel Shine

Altar Society: Mary Molloy, Rosemarie Roche

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We wish Clonown people everywhere

A Very Happy Christmas

Mass Times at Christmas

8 December (Holy Day): 8 pm

Christmas Eve: 8 pm

Christmas Day: 11 am

6 January (Holy Day): 8 pm

Clonown Community Field

The committee is delighted to see such good use of the walking track. It is hoped that the pitch will be ready for use next spring. The lights are currently set to turn on at 7 pm. and off at 10 pm and this will be reviewed in the new year once the evenings get brighter. If you have any suggestions please contact a committee member.

The committee would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year and to thank all those who supported the fundraising events in 2014 including the participants, sponsors, Garda, volunteers and other agencies.

Clonown Social

There will be a fundraising night in McNeill's Bar, Connaught St, on Sunday 28 December at 9 pm. for the Clonown Community Site Project. There will be music and a raffle with some great prizes on the night. This should be a very enjoyable occasion so please support.

Leading Role

Congratulations to Katie Costello, Oldtown, who will play the part of Cinderella in the Community College's production of *Cinderella*.

First Holy Communion

The four girls, Therese, Juliette, Caitlin and Róisín have started preparation for their First Holy Communion. Recently, they lit special candles, did the readings and read the Prayers of the Faithful at the Sunday Mass. Occasionally, over the next few months, they will have a further involvement in the Sunday Mass.

Thanks to all who helped with the Newsletter

We wish to thank all those who help with the newsletter each month. Thanks to Ann Dunning and Anthony Dalton and the children in Clonown national school who sent in monthly reports. Thanks also to Anthony who uploads the newsletter to the Clonown website. A special word of thanks, also, to Brenda in the Parish Office who photocopies it each month.

Cake Sale

The committee of the community centre will hold a cake sale on Sunday 15 December after 11 am Mass. Cakes, bread, tarts scones, jam and novelties will be on sale. The committee would welcome any donations of cakes etc for the sale. Please leave them at the centre on Saturday evening between seven and eight o'clock or before Mass on Sunday. Also, there will be a raffle and a cup of tea. Any money received from the sale will go towards the expenses of running the community centre. Fuel and electricity costs and insurance are particularly high. Also, money is needed for the purchase of items for the day to day running of the centre. We are particularly proud of our community centre and your contributions will help to maintain it in good condition. Please support the cake sale.

School Report

During November, we were very busy doing lots of activities. At the start of the month we finished the Read-a-thon and we raised a lot of money for the MS Society. Ten per cent was given to the school and we bought new books with this money. During November we went to the library and went bowling as part of ten pin bowling week in Athlone Bowling Alley. We also entered two competitions. One competition was for Roscommon County Council, when we made a Christmas tree decoration out of recycled materials. The other competition was for the Athlone Advertiser. We had to draw and colour animals at Christmas. We had great fun during November – *Eoghan and Seán*.

Tommy Egan RIP

The community offers its deepest sympathy to the family of Tommy Egan, formerly of Curnaboll who died recently.

Marie Shanahan RIP

Our deepest sympathy, also, to the Shanahan family, Oldtown on the recent death of Alan's mother, Marie.