Mass Intentions for January

Sunday 1 February: Willie and Nell Shine, Curnaboll

Friday 6 February: Paddy Joe and Rose Dunning and deceased

family members, Newtown

Sunday 8 February: Deceased family members, Curnaboll

Sunday 15 February: Johnny Hynes and deceased family members,

Curnaboll.

Sunday 22 February: Deceased members of the Shine family, Curnaboll

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Mass Servers for February

1/8 February: Seán, Eoghan, Lorcan

15/22 February: Kayla, Aileen, Anna, Rachel, Áine

1/8/ March: Joseph, Cian, Liam

Ministers of the Eucharist:

1/8 February: Mary Naughton 15/22 February: Ann Golden 1/8 March: Helen Cunningham

Reader: Niamh Molloy

Altar Society: Bridie Shine, Maura Shine

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1 February

Feast of St Brigid

15 February

Ash Wednesday: Mass at 8 pm

New Vicar General

We wish to congratulate Canon Liam Devine on his appointment as Vicar General of the Diocese. He is now the highest official in the diocese next to the bishop.

Chalice Programme

It is hoped to involve fifty families from the parish in the Chalice Programme during 2015. A family takes a special chalice home and keeps it for a week. The chalice will be collected at 7.30 pm Mass in St Peter and Paul's church and will be placed in a special location in the home. It is hoped that the families who are keeping the chalice for the week will then invite the neighbours and friends to an evening of prayer in their homes. It will be returned to the church at 7.30 Mass on the following Friday. Anyone interested in hosting the chalice for a week please contact Sr Bernard (phone: 090 6493941)

Preparation for Communion and Confirmation

As part of their preparation the children making their First Holy Communion and those receiving the sacrament of Confirmation were involved in a particular way in the liturgy at Mass on two Sundays during January. Each child had a part to play. They all read with confidence and clarity and are a credit to their parents and teachers who prepared them.

St Brigid's Crosses

The children in Clonown School have been busy making St Brigid's crosses in preparation for St Brigid's day. They will be distributed in the church on Sunday, 1 February. Although the crosses are not for sale, people are asked to give a donation towards the school.

5K Fun Walk/ Run

The annual Fun Walk/Run will take place on Sunday 26 April. There will be further details later.

Walking Path

The walking path has proved very popular during the past few months, particularly at night when floodlit. Recently, when roads were icy and too dangerous to walk on and also when some of some roads were flooded it was great to have a safe walking area. Anyone who has any suggestions about improvements please contact a member of the Community Project committee.

School Report

During January we started our Junior Entrepreneur programme. We all had to think of a business idea. Then we had to make a presentation for the Dragons! Then we found out which idea won. The Nature Walk won. Now we have to interview some people to get new ideas for the nature walk. We also went to Ericssons. We learned about software engineering. We got Taytos and sandwiches which were really nice. We also listened to some interesting presentations. On the 28 January the bishop came to our school. He talked about Catholic Schools week. We sang a song for him and played the tin whistle. Then Sean played a song on his banjo. Sixth class started preparing for their confirmation. They started their confirmation workbook and they had their enrolment Mass. On the 29 January we made a presentation to Canon Devine. The parents made tea and Liz Gilhooly made a beautiful cake. We presented him with a framed St Brigid's Cross. The cross was made by Luke Gavin and the frame was carved by Padraig Duncan. We had a very busy and enjoyable January. Dayna Rickard and Cian Gavin

Recent Deaths

We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to:
Bernie Flynn, Buggane, on the death of her mother, **Kathleen Finan**.
Tina Cunningham, on the death of her uncle, **James McManus**.
Margaret Ducke and Fiona O'Neill on the death of Margaret's father and Fiona's grandfather, **Bill Dunne**.