# **Mass Intentions for May**

Sunday 1 May: Philomena Gavin (month's mind)

Friday 6 May: Tommy and May Curley, Clonown

Sunday 8 May: Kathleen, Lena and Peter Dunning

Saturday 15 May:

Sunday 22 May: Bill and Peg Fallon, Newtown

Sunday 29 May: First Holy Communion

Friday: 3 June: Hardiman Family, Drumlosh

**Mass Servers for May** 

1 May: Aileen, Aine, Rachel

8/15 May: Sean, Lorcan, Liam

22/29 May: Aileen, Áine, Rachel

5/12 June: Sean, Lorcan, Liam

**Ministers of the Eucharist**:

1/8 May: Mary Naughton

15/22 May: Ann Golden

29 May/5 June: Helen Cunningham

Reader: Ann Shine

Altar Society: Ann Dunning, Mary Molloy

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## **School Pilgrimage to Knock**

The teachers and pupils of Clonown National School have organised a pilgrimage to Knock to commemorate the Year of Mercy. The date is Thursday 19 May. The apparition chapel has been booked already for Mass at 11.45 am. The children will take part in hymns, readings, prayers of the faithful, presentation of offertory gifts, communion reflection, Mass serving and so on. The apparition chapel can accommodate up to a hundred people Some parents, grandparents or family friends may wish to be part of the pilgrimage and are most welcome to come along. There will be a number of places on the bus. If you intend to travel please contact the school as they will need to have numbers. The bus will leave from the church at 9 am and return between 4 pm and 5 pm. There will be a small charge for travelling on the bus.

#### The 5k/10k Walk/Run

The annual Walk/Run took place on Sunday 24 April. About 250 athletes took part. The weather was ideal. This event has proven very popular over the years, due to the fine organisation and efficiency of the committee and volunteers and the way the athletes were treated by the Clonown people. The visitors really enjoyed the food. In fact we hear that some were in the community centre preparing food at 7 am. The organising committee would like to thank all the participants, the sponsors, the volunteers, our great sports physio (Sandra Mulhall — Phsical Therapy Clinic), people of Clonown who always support the event so well, the hall committee and all others who helped on the day and in the preparations. In particular we would like to thank the local Garda Siochána in Chark, Roscommon Civil Defence and Ronan Gately from AIT AC. If you wish to see some lovely photographs and a report on the race look up Athlone 10k Run on Facebook.

#### Confirmation

Congratulations to Sean Nally, Aileen Ward, Caitlin Duncan, Dayna Rickard and Aliyah Malone who were confirmed recently.

## **School Report**

This month was a great month! We had the Féile Cheoil and it went very well. We opened the show. The children in sixth class made their confirmation. It was a lovely day. Two weeks ago we started cookery classes and so far we have learned to make pizza and banana muffins. We are really enjoying the classes and we are learning a lot about food and nutrition. We recently received a certificate of participation for our Irish Aid projects. We researched the countries India, Ethiopia, Russia and Brazil for our projects. The children in the junior room will be visiting Glendeer pet farm. We hope they have a great time. Irana from Athlone Community Radio will visit the children in the senior room to record them singing and telling jokes. We have been practising our jokes! — Therese, Dayna, Caitlin.

#### **Local Roads**

Some of the pressure put on the County Council to repair the roads must have worked. The Togher and school roads have greatly improved and work is continuing on the town road which was in a very dangerous condition. Roscommon Council should be thanked also for trimming and tidying up the road edges.

# **Photographs for New Book**

Some lovely and interesting photographs been given by people for the book. We are sure that there are many more photographs out there to be discovered! Search your attics, old cases, old albums etc. We are trying to include as many families as possible in the book. We are also interested in group photos and photographs of people at work – farming etc. Kathy will scan and return them.

#### Philomena Gavin RIP

We offer our deepest sympathy to the relatives of Philomena Gavin, Grahia who died recently.