

Mass Intentions for February

Friday 3 February: Paddy Joe and Rose Dunning, Newtown.

Sunday 5 February: Hugh Roche, Virginia and Togher

Sunday 12 February: Deceased members of the Shine family, Curnaboll

Sunday 19 February: John Hynes and deceased family members.

Sunday 26 February: Willie and Nellie Shine, Curnaboll

Friday 3 March: Mary Shine and deceased family members, Curnaboll

Sunday 5 March: Bridie and Martin Shine, Drumlosh

Mass Servers for February

5/12 February: Áine, Rachel

19/26 February: Lorcan, Liam

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Reader: Anthony Dalton

Altar Society: Bridie Shine, Maura Shine

Ministers of the Eucharist

5 February: Helen Cunningham

12/19 February: Margaret Crehan

26 February/ 5 March: Peadar Molloy

12/17 March: Mary Naughton

19/26 March: Ann Golden

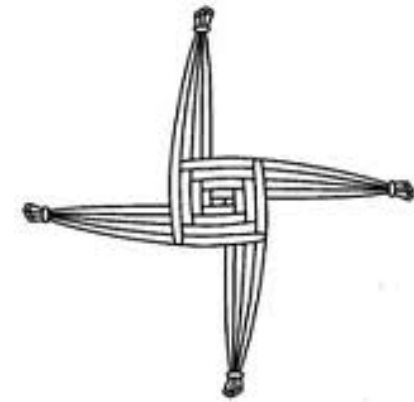
Don't forget that if you wish to arrange a Mass you must contact the office in Drum. The Drum office is open Monday to Thursday from 9.00 am to 2.00 pm. Phone Catherine at 09064 37125

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1 February: Feast of St Brigid

Mass Servers

Training for new Mass servers will take place in February. Anyone interested in becoming a Mass server please contact a member of the pastoral group.

School Enrolment Evening

The enrolment evening will take place on Wednesday 8 February between 4 pm and 7 pm. All are welcome.

Mass for Bereaved Parishioners

There will be a Mass for bereaved parishioners on Wednesday, 8 February, in Ss Peter and Paul's Church at 7.30 pm. All those who experienced bereavement or who have suffered loss in their lives are invited to attend. Also, a new Bereavement Support Group will be launched in the parish.

School Report

This month has been very busy. We have been making St Brigid's crosses. Fifth and sixth classes showed the junior room how to make them. On Tuesday 31 January, the senior room went to see a musical in Summerhill. It was called High School Musical. It was very good. We started the Junior Entrepreneur Programme. We went into groups and discussed ideas. Then the dragons picked one of the ideas. Next week Lynda McFarland from Lowe and Co Café will be coming to talk to us about setting up a business. We can't wait. It has been a great month - Áine and Megan

No Flood

I hope I am not tempting fate but it is great to see that the roads are not flooded this winter. Besides this, it has been possible to walk on the Garavinch throughout the winter months. It has been several years since the Garavinch has been clear of water during the winter.

Matchmaking

Nowadays young people are busy accessing Tinder and other dating sites in order to meet people of the opposite sex. These young people may not be aware that in the past there would have been little need for websites, even if they were available, in order to meet someone. The time between 6 January and Shrove Tuesday was known as the Sherraft in rural Ireland and up to the middle of the twentieth century the Sherraft was the time for matchmaking. Parents and relatives would have been busy looking out for marriage partners for their sons and daughters. The January Fair in Athlone, was an occasion when lots of matches were made. The marriage usually took place before Lent because at that time marriages were not allowed during Lent. It was not unusual for people who did not know each other in January to be married by Shrove Tuesday!

John Mitchell RIP

Our deepest sympathy to Michael Egan, Mary Kate Egan and Brid Shine on the recent death of their uncle, John Mitchell, at the age of 103.

Mary McManus RIP

We wish to sympathise, also, with Fr Michael McManus on the recent death of his sister, Mary McManus.

Local businesses

Graphic Artist: Photographs, memorial cards, business cards, thank you cards etc: Kathy Hardiman (086 - 0783399)

Plumber: Barry Earls (086-3166956)

Quantity Surveyor: Detailed estimates for New Builds, Extensions, Renovations, Commercial etc. Ray Fallon (086 8746945)

Tiling: Jackie Cunningham (086-3559003)

Wall Artist:. Painting favourite characters from books, films etc on walls. Patricia Reynolds (nee Murray) (phone 086 8790992)