Mass Intentions for June

Sunday 2 July: Johnny and May Harney, John and Nell Sammon,

Ballinaculla

Friday 7 July: Michael Green, Newtown East

Sunday 9 July: PJ and Mossie Curley and deceased family members **Sunday 16 July:** John, Margaret and Michael Dunning Creggane

Sunday 23 July: Tommy and May Curley, Frances Walsh, Leixlip and

deceased family members.

Sunday 30 July: Pat Dunning, Ballinaculla
Altar Servers

2 July: Áine, Sarah, Aoife9 July: Rachel, Ava, Ella16 July: Lorcan, Cian23 July: Liam, Eoin

30 July: Áine, Sarah, Aoife **6 August**: Rachel, Ava, Ella

There will be training for altar servers in September. Any child who has made has made First Communion and wishes to become an altar server please contact a member of the Pastoral Group

Reader: Sean Crehan

Altar Society: Margaret Shine, Mary Shine.

Ministers of the Eucharist

2/9 July: Mary Naughton

16/23 July: Ann Golden

30 July/6 August: Helen Cunningham

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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Farewell to Canon Devine

It is with sadness that we learned of the departure of Fr Liam from the parish. Over the years we have got to know him very well through the church and school and in our community. The hall committee, particularly, appreciates the help he gave when the community centre was being built. The monster draw was his idea and the money raised through the raffle enabled us to pay for the work done so that there was no debt. Also we will remember Fr Liam's homilies, which were always relevant, informative and interesting. We wish Canon Devine many long and happy years in Loughlinn where he will take up duty as Parish Priest.

School Report

This month we had races for Sport's Day. It was really fun and we were lucky that the ice-cream van came. We had a great day. The senior children also took part in the Water Explorer Workshop. We did an experiment how to make dirty water into clean water. It was lots of fun. Last Monday we had our school tour to the AIT for the Let's Go camp. There were lots of fun things like bouncing castles, air jumps, races, KMXs and orienteering. It was the best school tour. The senior children took part in the Junior Entrepreneur programme and raised enough money to go to Lough Boora. We walked 5k and cycled 5k. It was one of the best days – Aoife Shanahan and Ella Nally

Leaving Clonown National School

Hi! We are Connor McLoughlin, Lorcan Shanahan and Liam Ward. We would like to share some of our memories of school. On our first day we were all so nervous meeting so many new people, but everyone was so nice to us. Then we all sat down at the same table, barely knowing each other but we would soon be great friends. Four years later we made our First Holy Communion. We put on our best clothes. We were very nervous. On 26 June 2017 we went on our last school tour to AIT. Our favourite activity was Zorbing. We were put inside a ball and pushed down a slide. We has lots of fun and we will miss Clonown NS when we go to secondary school – Liam, Connor and Lorcan

Cemetery Sunday

This year Cemetery Sunday in Clonown will take place on 20 August. This will be a special occasion as the cemetery will be one hundred years old. People are asked when tidying graves to bring away debris, withered flowers, old wreaths etc and not to dispose of them in the vicinity of the graveyard. Work has been done by the County Council in the avenue and the road leading to the new section.

All Ireland Medal for Local Hurler

Congratulations to Michael Kelly, Curnaboll, who played on the Roscommon hurling team that won the All Ireland Under 17 Celtic Challenge by beating Armagh in the final. The match was broadcast live on GAA.ie. One does not associate this part of the county with hurling so it is great to hear of a Clonown person involved in the competition.

Drum/Clonown Community Games

Congratulations to the U10 Gaelic team who won the county title in June. Well done Oisín McLoughlin, Eoin Dunning, Cian Gilhooly and Niall Ward who played on the winning team!

Clonown Community Field

It is great to see that the community field is being used by outside groups. Recently Moore Utd used the pitch for three games - Under 10 and Under 12. Also St Joseph's soccer club has used the pitch on a number of occasions.

Farm Safety

There have been many reports of farm accidents, often fatal, in the country. Many of these accidents could be avoided if people, particularly children, were more aware of farm safety. Please be careful with farm machinery or in dangerous areas on the farm over the summer months.

Deaths

Our deepest sympathy to:

Betty Cunniffe, Newtown, on the death of her sister, **Evelyn Quigley**, Tubberclare.

Chris Beaumont, Carricknaughton, on the death of his sister, **Christina Kelly.**