#### **Mass Intentions for December**

Friday 1 December: Ned and Catherine Shine, Cappamore.

Sunday 3 December: Patrick Flynn and deceased family members

Thursday 7 December (eve of Holy Day): James, Mary and Tommy

Egan, Callowbeg

Sunday 10 December: Sean Shine, Buggane Sunday 17 December: Johney Shine, Curnaboll Sunday 24 December: People of the Parish

Christmas Day: People of the Parish

Sunday 31 December: John Dunning, Delian and Michael Dunning,

The Park.

Sunday 7 January: John and Nora Halligan, Buggane

**Altar Servers** 

**Sunday 3 December:** Aine, Emma, Rebecca **7 December (Eve of Holy Day):** Eoin, Cian

**Sunday 10 December**: Ella, Sarah **Sunday 17 December**: Rachel, Ava

Sunday 24 December (11.15 am): Áine, Emma, Rebecca

Sunday 24 December (8 pm): Eoin, Cian Christmas Day (11.15 am): Ella, Sarah

31 December: Rachel, Ava

6 January: Áine, Emma, Rebecca

7 January: Eoin, Cian

There will be training for altar servers in December

Reader: Rachel Shine

Altar Society: Mary Dunning, Rosemarie Roche

**Ministers of the Eucharist** 

**3/7 December**: Helen Cunningham **10/17 December**: Margaret Crehan

**24 December** (**11.15 am and 8 pm**): Peadar Molloy **Christmas Day/ 31 December**: Mary Naughton

6/7 January: Ann Golden

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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### We wish

Clonown people everywhere

A very happy Christmas

#### **Mass times for Christmas**

Sunday 24 December: 11. 15 am

Christmas Eve (vigil Mass): 8 pm

Christmas Day: 11.15 am

Please note: Mass for the Holy Day(8 December) will

take place on 7 December at 8 pm.

#### Fr Michael Hickey

We welcome Fr Michael to our parish and we hope to see him shortly in Clonown. Fr. Michael CSSp is a member of the Holy Ghost order and comes from County Tipperary.

#### **Farewell to Canon Liam Devine**

To mark his departure from the parish, a farewell party was held for Canon Liam Devine in the Shamrock Lodge Hotel. A presentation was made on behalf of the people of the parish by the Parish Pastoral Council.

#### **Ordination of Deacon**

Tony Larkin will be ordained as deacon in St Peter and Paul's Church on 8 December at 3 pm. We wish Tony every blessing in his ministry.

#### **Sports Grant**

We are delighted to hear that Clonown has been included in the sports grants announced on 30 November, under the 2017 Sports Capital Funding programme. The grant of €31,000 will go towards the building of dressing rooms in the sports area. This would not have been achieved without the hard work, enthusiasm and tenacity of the committee involved with the sports grounds. Those involved are also to be complimented on the way the grounds are kept. The committee would love to have more people in the community involved in the running of the community sports grounds. If you are interested contact a member of the sports committee or come along to the AGM on 4 December.

#### AGM

The AGM of Clonown Community Limited (the group that runs the community sports grounds) will take place on Monday 4 December at 9 pm. in Clonown Community Centre. 2018 promises to be an exciting year as, besides the building of the dressing rooms, there are plans to build the children's play area. All are welcome.

#### **Table Quiz**

The organizers of the table quiz, held recently in the Shamrock Lodge Hotel, wish to thank all who supported the event and those who donated prizes. A very enjoyable night was had by all.

### **Cake Sale and Christmas Novelties**

A sale of cakes, flower arrangements and other novelties will be held on 10 December immediately after 11.15 am. Mass. The proceeds from the sale will go towards the heating, electricity and general maintenance of the community centre. Please support by donating cakes etc and by attending the event. Tea will be served and there will be a raffle for valuable prizes.

#### **School Report**

Our school is preparing for this year's Christmas play which will be held on Wednesday 20 December at 6.30 in Clonown Community Centre. All the students are working hard and can't wait to perform. Rachel Dunning, Juliet Shine, Ava Gavin and Niall Ward attended a quiz in Roscommon library. They were great and had a lovely day. We are making Christmas decorations out of recycled materials. Juliet and Therese.

# Meelick Again!

For the past seventy years we have been hearing of calls by various flood relief committees to clear up debris etc at Meelick. However, all suggestions have fallen on deaf ears. Now, one of the latest recommendations by the government for flood relief is to do exactly that. Will it take another seventy years, however, to actually start work on the project?

#### **Keep Fit Classes**

The keep fit classes taking place in the community centre are proving very successful, with people from outside the areas also attending. Darin Classen is the trainer. It is hoped that there will be further classes in the new year.

## **New Baby Girl**

Congratulations to Mark and Aisling Dunning, New Row, on the birth of their baby daughter, Aoibhinn.