Mass Intentions for April

Sunday 1 April: Easter Sunday

Sunday 8 April: Anne and Tom O'Brien, Oldtown

Sunday 15 April: Kathleen, Lena and Peter Dunning, Newtown

Sunday 22 April: Joe and Ned Roche, Togher

Sunday 29 April: John and Ellen Shine and deceased family members,

Buggane

Sunday 6 May: Tommy and Frank Ward, Curnaboll

Sunday 13 May: Tommy Grenham and deceased family members,

Buggane

Altar Servers

1 April: Eoin, Cian 8 April: Ella, Sarah 15 April: Rachel, Ava

22 April: Áine, Emma, Rebecca

29 April: Eoin, Cian6 May: Ella, Sarah13 May: Rachel, Ava

Reader: Miriam Nally

Altar Society: Helen Cunningham, Maureen Halligan

Ministers of the Eucharist
1 April: Peadar Molloy
8/15 April: Mary Naughton
22/29 April: Ann Golden

6/13 May: Helen Cunningham

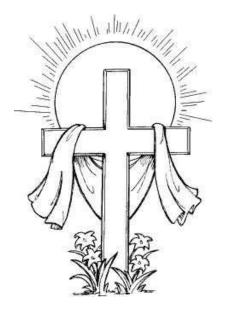
Please note: The following dates are available if you wish to have a Mass offered:6 April (First Friday), 4 May (First Friday), 1 July, 6 July (First Friday) 15/22/29 July. To arrange a Mass you must contact the office in Drum. The Drum office is open Monday to Thursday from 9.00 am to 2.00 pm. Phone Catherine at 09064 37125

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Christ is Risen

Confirmation

Áine Gilhooly, Rachel Dunning and Megan Furey will be confirmed by Bishop Kevin Doran on 25 April. We congratulate them and hope that they will have a wonderful day.

First Confessions

The children who will be making their First Holy Communion this year made their confession for the first time recently. They will continue to prepare for the big day during the next two months.

Church Decorations

You probably have noticed the lovely tableau at the front of the altar, reminding us of lent. Well done to those who created the display.

Children's Play Area

The committee of the community field is in the process of applying for a leader grant for the children's play area. The deadline for the procurement and application is the end of June with an expected decision in August or September. More details next month.

Trócaire Boxes

Don't forget to return your Trócaire boxes as soon as possible.

Altar Society

If you wish to volunteer please contact Ann (Phone 087-2261096)

Recent Bad Weather

The community spirit in Clonown was very noticeable during the recent bad weather. Some of the roads were impassable but instead of waiting for the County Council local people with machinery worked on the roads until they were clear, allowing people to travel to work, church and town. Also, people looked out for neighbours who may have needed help. It is at times like this that one appreciates community.

Annual 10k/5k Run and Walk

The annual 10k/5k run and walk takes place on Sunday 22 April 2018. Both events start earlier than last year. The 5k starts at 1 pm and the 10k starts at 1.30 pm. The cost for runners is €10 (5k) and €20 (10k), while walkers may make a donation. The committee has an Athletics Ireland permit so the 5k run is for over 16s and the 10k run is for over 18s. The run and walk will take the same route as in previous years. Many thanks to everyone for their support. Please note that bicycles are not allowed on the walk as they can prove a danger to others taking part.

School Report

This month was great. We went to Skyvalley for the FAI soccer blitz. We had great fun there. Paddy Daly from Heritage Ireland came to our school. He spoke to the junior room about birds and did a short play with the junior children. He also played outdoor games with the senior children. He taught them about climate change, birds and the importance of planting trees. We had a clothing collection. We raised €183.75. Thanks to everyone who helped with this – Eoin Dunning

The Local Bus

Don't forget that the local bus will leave Clonown church on Fridays at 10.30 am. It will take the usual route, travelling via Curnaboll, Oldtown, Cappamore, Togher Road and into Athlone by the Ballinsloe road. The bus is open to anyone who wishes to travel.

Recent Death

Our deepest sympathy to John and James Costello and their families on the recent death of their aunt, Genevive Costello, Coosan

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