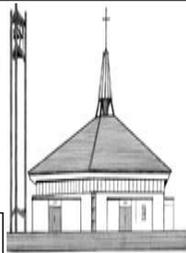


Aughavas & Cloone Parishes

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10th Sept. '23

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pray for the happy repose of the soul of Oliver Charles, Keel, Moydow, Co. Longford and formerly of Aughavas whose funeral took place in Carrickedmond on Wednesday last.

Masses:

- Cloone:** *Sun.* 10th Sept. 10.00 am. John Donnelly, Drumharkin Glebe.
Dymphna Reilly, (nee Doonan), Mohill. 3rd Anniv.
- Aughavas:** *Sun.* 10th Sept. 11.30 am. Christina Conefrey, Drumnamore.
- Cloone:** *Sun.* 17th Sept. 10.00 am. Colm Moran and his parents Thomas & Mary
Moran, Gortnaraw.
- Aughavas:** *Sun.* 17th Sept. 11.30 am. Bernie McDermott & D.F.M., Drumerkane.
- Cloone:** *Sun.* 24th Sept. 10.00 am. Alick & Rose Ann McCabe, Rocullion and their
daughter Margaret & D.F.M.
- Aughavas:** *Sun.* 24th Sept. 11.30 am. John Tiernan, Corroneary. M.M.

Eucharistic Adoration: **Aughavas** - Monday's from 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm.
Cloone - Tuesday's from 8.00 pm to 10.00 pm.

Arrangements for Mass in Cloone and Aughavas: For 3 weekends in September there will be 2 Masses at weekends instead of the usual 3 Masses. For the weekends of 9th and 10th, 16th and 17th and 23rd and 24th September there will be Mass at 10.00 am on Sunday in Cloone. There will be Mass at 11.30 am on Sunday in Aughavas. There will **not be** any Saturday evening Mass in Cloone on these 3 weekends. If a priest is needed over the next 3 weeks, please contact Fr. John Quinn on 071 9631074 or Fr. Nigel Charles on 071 9631024.

Aughavas Church Bell: Work has recently taken place on the Bell in Aughavas, in order to make it operative again. A new Bell striking control panel has been installed and a new Bell striking hammer, along with other smaller items. The total cost of materials and installation amounted to €3,821.75. This amount has been paid to Belltron Ireland Ltd. from Aughavas Parish Account.

Eucharistic Healing Day will take place on Saturday, September 23rd in St. Mel's Cathedral, Longford from 3pm to 8.30pm. Day will include: A Eucharistic Healing Cenacle led by Mother Adela Galindo, Veneration of St. John Paul II's Relic, and the celebration of Mass with Bishop Paul Connell. All are most welcome to join us on this special day.

Parish Cells of Evangelisation—six week programme exploring parish cells on Radio Maria, commencing Monday 11th September 2023 at 7.00pm for six Monday evenings from 7 pm, Monday 11th September. Tune in on <https://www.radiomaria.ie/live-radio-maria/>

Yoga classes starting in Aughavas Community Centre on Monday 11th September at 1pm. Bring a mat. Refreshments served after class. Everybody welcome.

Active Age: Our Autumn Coach Trip will take place to the Derry/Donegal region, staying at the 4 star Mount Errigal Hotel, Letterkenny from 22nd to 26th Oct. (4 x nights dinner, bed, breakfast and coach travel for 5 days cost €350.00 per person sharing). Everyone is welcome as this trip is open to non-members. Early booking of rooms is essential. For more details or to book your place, contact Irene Argue @ 087 7940413; Teresa Slevin @ 087 6188795 or Marian Shanley @ 087 2733986.

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross *Memorial Thursday 14th September.

The discovery of the True Cross is dated to 14th September 320. On 13th September 335 the churches on Calvary were dedicated and the cross that St. Helena discovered was venerated there the next day. The annual commemoration of that event has been celebrated since, in praise of the redemption won for us by Christ.

Our Lady of Sorrows *Memorial Friday 15th September.

Mary, standing by the cross, 'suffered intensely with her only begotten Son and united herself as his Mother to his sacrifice, consenting with love to the offering of the victim who was born of her', whom she also offered to the eternal Father. (*Marialis Cultus*).

Prayer to Our Lady of Sorrows * 15th September.

Our mother of sorrows, with strength from above you stood by the cross, sharing in the sufferings of Jesus, and with tender care you bore him in your arms, mourning and weeping. We praise you for your faith, which accepted the life God planned for you. We praise you for your hope, which trusted that God would do great things in you. We praise you for your love in bearing with Jesus the sorrows of his passion. Holy Mary, may we follow your example, and stand by all your children who need comfort and love. Mother of God, stand by us in our trials and care for us in our many needs. Pray for us now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

A life full of grace.

The prayers of humanity are closely linked to the sentiment of awe. The greatness of humankind is infinitesimal compared to the dimensions of the universe. While even an individual's greatest conquests may seem minor, the individual is not an insignificant being. In prayer, a sentiment of mercy is powerfully affirmed. Nothing exists by chance: the secret of the universe takes place when we exchange benevolent glances with another. Psalm 8 affirms that we are a little less than a god, that we are crowned 'with glory and beauty' (Psalm 8:5). Our relationship with God is what makes us great, it is our enthronement. By nature, we are practically nothing, but by vocation, by calling, we are the children of the great King! This is an experience that many of us have had. When the events of life, with all their hardships, risk suffocating the gift of prayer that lies within us, it is enough to look upon a starry sky, sunset or flower to rekindle a spark of gratefulness. This experience is at the heart of the very first page of the Bible. Prayer is the first weapon of hope. You pray and hope grows, it moves forward. I would even say that prayer opens the doors to hope. Hope is out there, but my prayers open the doors. People who pray hold fundamental truths; they are the ones who repeat over and over, first to themselves and then to everyone else, that life, despite all its trials and tribulations, despite the hard days, is full of awe-inspiring grace. As such, it must always be defended and protected.

Pope Francis

Offertory Collection: (3rd Sept.) **Aughavas** € 450.00; (3rd Sept.) **Cloone** (to be counted).