# Aughavas & Cloone Parishes

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### SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

**Pray for** the happy repose of the soul of Sean Reynolds, Station Road, Mohill and formerly of Annaghbrenahan, Cloone whose funeral Mass took place on Saturday in Cloone.

**Aughavas:** Sat. 3/1/'15. **7.00 pm.** Annie & John Joe Cooney & DFM, Clonsarn. Michael, Joseph, Mary & William McKiernan, Killafee.

10.00 am. Michael, Catherine & Thomas Murray, Adoon. **Cloone:** Sun. 4/1/'15. 11.30 am. John & Kathleen McGovern, Augharan. **Aughavas:** Sun. 4/1/'15.

**Aughavas:** Mon. 5/1/'15. 7.00 pm.

**Cloone:** Tues. 6/1/'15. 10.00 am. Feast of the Epiphany.

**Aughavas:** Tues. 6/1/'15. 11.30 am. **Cloone:** Wed. 7/1/'15. 10.00 am. **Cloone:** Thurs. 8/1/'15. 10.00 am.

**Aughavas:** Fri. 9/1/'15. 7.00 pm. Mass for Fr. Sam Holmes.

**Aughavas:** Sat. 10/1/'15. 7.00 pm. Sonny & Josie Kiernan, Augharan, 1st & 9th Anniv. **Cloone:** Sun. 11/1/'15. 10.00 am. John Joe Curran, Lakeview Cloone. 1st Anniv.

Aughavas: Sun. 11/1/'15. 11.30 am. Bea McGirl, Doogra. MM & DFM.

## Tuesday 6th January is the Feast of the Epiphany, a Holy Day of Obligation.

Mass for Fr. Sam Holmes (RIP) in St. Joseph's Church, Aughavas on Friday 9th January 2015 at 7 pm.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

**Aughavas:** Monday 7 pm to 8 pm. **Cloone:** Tuesday 7pm to 8pm.

# The Meaning of Marriage: God's Plan for Marriage.

The Book of Genesis shows us that man and woman are created in the image and likeness of God; they recognise that they are made for each other (cf. Gen 1:24-31; 2:4b-25). Through procreation, man and woman collaborate with God in accepting and transmitting life: 'By transmitting human life to their descendants, man and woman as spouses and parents -operate in a unique way in the Creator's work' (CCC,372).2 Jesus himself teaches that marriage is between a man and a woman: Have you not read that from the beginning the Creator made them male and female. For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh' (Mt 19:4-6).3 As Christians our primary commandment is to love. Love always demand that we respect the dignity of every human person. That is why the Catholic Church clearly teaches that

people who are homosexual must always be treated with sensitivity, compassion and respect. It is not lacking in sensitivity or respect for people who are homosexual, however, to point out that same sex Relationships are fundamentally and objectively different from opposite sex relationships and that society values the complementary roles of mothers and fathers in the generation and up-bringing of children. The debate at the core of the call for 'same sex marriage' is not about equality or about the separation of a religious view of marriage from a civil view of marriage. It is about the very nature of marriage itself and the importance society places on the role of mothers and fathers in bringing up children. With others, the Catholic Church will continue to hold that the differences between a man and woman are not accidental to marriage but fundamental to it and children have a natural right to a mother and a father and that this is the best environment for them where possible. It is therefore deserving of special recognition and promotion by the State.

Aughavas ICA Guild Meeting: Next ICA Meeting will be held in the community centre on Wednesday 7th January at 8.00pm sharp. Everyone welcome to attend and refreshments served on the night. A special thank you to our guild president Josie Kenny for all the work she has carried out throughout the year on different activities for the guild and also for her excellent floral demonstration night held before Christmas. Many thanks also to all those who attended and helped out on the night and especially to everybody within the guild for all their hard work and commitment throughout the year. We look forward to a great year ahead. Sean'fhocal Exhibition: The Sean'fhocal exhibition will open in Mohill library on Wednesday 14th January at 6pm sharp. Everybody welcome to come along.

Aughavas Community Centre: The next community centre meeting will be held Wednesday 14th January in the centre at 8.30pm sharp. Please note the slight change in time.

St. Joseph's N.S. Christmas Raffle Winners: Nicole Higgins, Mohill- box of biscuits; Erin Morris- fruit hamper; Caroline Bradley- hamper; Meadhbh McNamara- child's gift; Elizabeth Rhatigan, Hill St., Mohill-ladies gift; Pat Charles, Drumshanbo Nth-hamper; Lena Byrne, Corduff, Aughavas-ladies gift; Shane McNulty, Standing Stone Hotel-bottle; Tommy Prior, Cloone- fruit hamper; Joan Mulligan, Mount Ida, Cloone- tin of biscuits; Olivia Tiernan, Cloone- chocolates; Kyle Smith, Aughavas- chocolate selection; Francis Beirne- hamper; Dermot Tierney, Carrigallen- sweets/chocolates; Aran Sheridan Conboy, Moyne- chocolates; Ciaran Smith, Ballinamore- biscuits; Fintan McBrien, Aughavasbiscuits; James Sweeney, Drumshanbo Nth-chocolates; Oliver Earley, Arigna-china gift; Ailish Farrelly, Aughavas-plant; Patrick Coffey, c/o Carrigallen V.S.-garden hamper; Chloe Cunningham, Drimmien, Gortletteragh-barber voucher; Kathleen Fitzpatrick, Drumshanbo Nth- hamper; Ella McLoughlin, Fenagh- hamper; Marie McGovern, Fenagh- hamper; Mossi & Michael Whelan, Aughavas-Fruit hamper; Amy Prior- fruit hamper; Tracey Dillon, Ballinamuck- fruit hamper; Maggie Rowley, St. Joseph's N.S.- fruit hamper; Frank Maxwell, Ballinamore– fruit hamper; Mel Gallogly– fruit hamper; Brian Mitchell, main hamper. On behalf of staff and B.O.M., we would like to thank all who contributed money and prizes towards our Christmas raffle. Wishing all a Happy & Peaceful New Year.

# **Offertory Collection:**

(Christmas Day & Sunday 28th) Aughavas: € 2,120.00; **Cloone:** € 1,550.00. **Aughavas:** €1,837.00; **Priests Christmas Dues: Cloone:** €1,988.00.