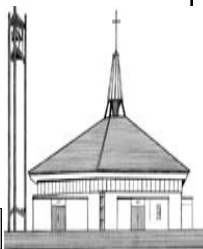


Aughavas & Cloone Parishes

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Second Sunday of Advent

Your prayers are requested for the happy repose of the soul of Sean Prior, Keadue, Co Roscommon brother of Evelyn Kelly, Annamaconway who died on 27th November last & Helen Mc Keon, nee Fitzpatrick, Drimna, Cloone, whose funeral Mass takes place on Sunday December 7th at 2pm.

Masses:

Cloone: Sat 6th Dec 8.00pm Patsy Doherty & D.F.M. & Tom & Maggie Jo Brady & D.F.M.
Mel Tiernan, Drumgowla. Tommy Creamer & Malachy &
Margaret Creamer & D.F.M. Drumdarkin.

Cloone: Sun 7th Dec 2.00pm Helen Mc Keon, Funeral Mass.

Aughavas: Sun 7th Dec 11.30am Sean Mollahan, Leganomer.

Cloone: Mon 8th Dec 10.00am The feast of the Immaculate Conception.

Aughavas: Mon 8th Dec 11.30am Brigid Duignan & her parents James & Brigid, Killafee & Cloone.

Cloone: Mon 8th Dec 8.00pm Pro.Populo.

Rossan: Tues 9th Dec 7.00pm

Aughavas: Wed 10th Dec 7.00pm Gerry Kiernan & his parents Willie & Margaret & D.F.M.
Killafee.

Cloone: Thurs 11th Dec 10.00am

Cloone: Fri 12th Dec 10.00am

Cloone: Sat 13th Dec 8.00pm Phil Fitzpatrick, Drumgowla. Pat Gallogly & D.F.M. Tooma.
Padraig Kelly, Annamaconway.

Cloone: Sun 14th Dec 10.00am Michael Moran, Lakeview, 2nd Anniversary.

Aughavas: Sun 14th Dec 11.30am

Rossan Rosary every Sunday morning at 9.15am.

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

Cloone - Tuesday's from 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm

Christmas Confessions

Monday 22nd December- Confessions in Gortletteragh @ 7.00pm

Monday 22nd December- Confessions in Aughavas @ 8.00pm

Tuesday 23rd December- Confessions in Cloone @ 7.00pm

Tuesday 23rd December- Confessions in Mohill @ 8.00pm

Cloone Choir practice for Christmas Wednesday 10th, 17th December @ 8.30pm. The Cloone Choir are seeking new members and would be delighted if you could join us.

Padraig Griffin talk, Padraig Griffin will present a talk in Ballinamore Library on Thursday December 11th at 7.30pm entitled 'Church - State relations in Ireland since 1800'. The talk will look at how the Influential Roman Catholic Church maintained relations with the State both before and after the Anglo-Irish Treaty and the setting up of the independent Irish State in 1922. This is a free event, and all are welcome.

Cloone Parish Pastoral Council meeting on Monday 15th December @8.30pm.

Aughavas Parish Pastoral Council meeting Thursday 11th December @ 8.30pm.

Cloone Vintage Tractor Christmas Fun Run will take place on next Sunday 14th December 2025. Assembly point- Cloone GAA Pitch @ 10.30am with departure at 11.30am. Registration for adults €20, Children €15. A bacon & cabbage or sausage & chips if required will be served @ 1pm in Cloone Community Centre. Booking is essential to avoid disappointment. Call/text Mick on 085 1327601 to confirm your attendance by Friday 12th December at the latest. All money raised after expenses will go towards Cloone Defibrillation Group. Spot prizes and voluntary donations will be greatly appreciated for this worthy cause.

The Department of Education and Youth has launched an important survey, inviting parents, guardians, staff, and board members to express their views on the future of our primary schools. I urge all parents, principals, staff, and board members to take a few moments to complete the "Have Your Say" survey before the closing date of 16th December 2025. If you do not vote you are giving others the right to decide the future of your school. The survey is accessed at <http://www.gov.ie/primaryschoolsurvey> Please be aware that this is not a general survey. It is school specific. You fill it in by giving your Eircode. The Eircode is used to identify your local school. When you fill in the survey either as a parent using an Eircode, or as a member of staff or member of the BOM using a school pin number, the results will determine the future of your school.

Bingo continues every Wednesday night at 8.30 in Cloone Community Centre. Extra prizes on offer for the month of December. Christmas bingo Sunday 28th at 3.00 December. Please support.

REMINDER The re-scheduled Annual General Meeting of **Cloonsarn Group Water Scheme** will take place on THURSDAY 11th December 2025 at 8.00pm in Aughavas Community Centre (JC room). All members are encouraged to attend. Everyone welcome.

Aughavas Community Centre Christmas Market takes place on Sunday 7th December 12pm until 2pm in Aughavas Community Centre. Lovely afternoon in store with an amazing range of stalls to view. This is a free event to everyone in the parish & surrounding areas.

Parish Calendar for 2026: Copies of the Calendar are available in the Church Porches. You are welcome to take extra for people who cannot attend Church and for family members who are living abroad.

Advent

The word 'advent' means 'coming' or 'arrival.' It's about keeping watch as the preface puts it, 'we who watch for that day.' The focus of the entire season is the celebration of the birth of Jesus the Christ in his first Advent and looking forward to his return as King in his second Advent. In this double focus on past and future, Advent also symbolises the spiritual journey of every individual and every community in the here and now. In spite of all kinds of predictions, allegedly from the sayings of the saints and other holy people, no one knows the time of the second Coming, only God, and that it will come upon men and women with the suddenness of a rainstorm out of a blue sky. They tell us that the time will come with shattering suddenness on those who are immersed in material things. Noah prepared himself in the calm weather before the flood and when it did come he was ready. But the rest of humanity was lost in the 'eating and drinking and merrymaking' and were caught completely unawares and so were swept away. These verses are a warning to us never to become so immersed in time that we forget eternity, that there is a God and that the issues of life and death are in his hands, and that whenever his call comes, at morning, at midday or evening, it must find us ready. However we must remember that the watching of the Christian for the coming of Christ is not that of terror-stricken fear or shivering apprehension, rather it is an eager expectation for the coming of glory and joy.

Offertory Collection: (30th Nov) **Aughavas €680.00** (29th/30th Nov) **Cloone €730.00**