



Aughavas & Cloone Parishes

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Pray for the happy repose of the souls of Seán Maguire, Drumerkane, Aughavas who died on Sunday 11th March in New York and William (Bill) Shields (husband of Helen McCabe, Carrickavoher) who died on Wednesday 14th March in Long Island, New York.

Masses

Aughavas: Sat. 17th Mar.	7.00 pm.	Pro populo.
Cloone: Sun. 18th Mar.	10.00 am.	Packie, Mary Ellen Gallagher & D. M. of the Gallagher & Reilly families.
Aughavas: Sun. 18th Mar.	11.30 am.	Mary McBrien, Aughalough. 1st Anniv.
Cloone: Mon. 19th Mar.	10.00 am. ;	Rossan: Tues. 20th Mar. 7.00 pm.
Aughavas: Wed. 21st Mar.	10.00 am. ;	Cloone: Thurs. 22nd Mar. 10.00 am.
Cloone: Fri. 23rd Mar.	10.00 am. ;	Aughavas: Sat. 24th Mar. 7.00 pm.
Cloone: Sun. 25th Mar.	10.00 am.	Palm Sunday.

Michael, Eilish & John Solon, Rocullion & DM of the O’Kane family.
 Mary Ellen McNamara, Kiltyfea.
 Paddy Brady & DM of the Brady family, Drumhalla.

Aughavas: Sun. 25th Mar. 11.30 am. The Colreavy family, Drumnamore.

Readers of the Passion on Palm Sunday:

Eve of Palm Sunday: Aughavas: 1st & 2nd Reading— Frank McLoughlin.

Passion. (N) Gerry Gallogly.

(O) Caroline Beirne.

Eucharistic Ministers: Caroline Beirne & Mary Conefrey.

Palm Sunday: Cloone: 1st & 2nd Readings—Seamus Tiernan.

Passion: (N) Madeline Murphy.

(O) Áine Nicholl.

Eucharistic Ministers: Teresa Slevin & Eileen O’Higgins.

Palm Sunday: Aughavas: 1st & 2nd Readings— Dolores McIntyre.

Passion: (N) Dolores McIntyre.

(O) Laura McIntyre.

Eucharistic Ministers: Margaret Gallogly & Martina Williams.

Confessions for Holy Week: Confession is a celebration of God’s merciful love. It is an invitation to us to look into our minds and hearts and see the ways in which we have failed to love God and failed to love one another. Confessions in Aughavas on Monday 26th March at 7.00 pm and confessions in Cloone on Tuesday 27th March at 8.00 pm.

Trócaire: Please bring Trócaire contribution next week-end, Palm Sunday. Please try to convert coin to notes.

Choose Life: Should abortion be a choice? When it comes to the right to choose, there is a tendency to forget that there is another person involved, an innocent person who has no choice and who depends entirely on others for protection. Abortion is the *direct* and *intentional* ending of the life of an unborn baby. It deceives woman, and men, by creating a culture where the decision to end the life of an unborn child is portrayed as simply a matter of individual “choice”. **What if I’ve had an abortion?** There is no sin that God’s mercy cannot reach. The forgiveness of God cannot be denied to anyone who approaches the Sacrament of Confession with a sincere heart in order to obtain reconciliation with the Father. At the close of the Year of Mercy in 2016, Pope Francis granted to all priests the faculty to absolve those who have committed the sin of procuring an abortion.

North West Simon Community Church Gate Collection will be held this Saturday 17th & Sunday 18th March in Cloone & Aughavas. Please support.

Aughavas Community to create a name/short slogan and logo: Following a very positive meeting held yesterday March 8th, a chairperson, secretary, PRO and treasurer were appointed to a committee formed to look into concerns raised at the previous public meetings and address enrolment difficulties etc in St. Joseph’s national school.

As a first step it was decided to create a name/short slogan and logo to front the community campaign in promoting the area of Aughavas. All members of the community are invited to submit entries either by email to aughavasns@gmail.com or in hard copy to the school.

Aughavas Men’s Group: Next meeting of our Mens Group will be Tuesday 27th March from 7 pm to 9 pm at the Parochial house. All interested in the group are asked to attend.

Aughavas Parish Improvements Scheme Ltd: A meeting will be held in the Parochial House in Aughavas on Tuesday March 20th at 8pm. All welcome.

AGM for Aughavas Community Centre CLG will be held on Wednesday, April 4th at 7 pm in the Community Centre. It is important that all members attend this meeting.

Aughavas Parish Concert is due to take place shortly, time and date to be confirmed. We are looking for some additional performers on the night so if you would like to take part, please contact any member of the Community Centre committee or call 087 3312017.

Thank you: St. Joseph’s N.S., Aughavas would like to sincerely thank everyone for their generous donations to our church gate collection. A total of €732 was collected.

Fitness Classes in Cloone Comm. Centre every Monday & Thursday. 7 pm— women’s class; 8 pm—men’s & women’s mixed class. Text Aisling on 086 6650504 for details or to book. (Note—no class this Bank Holiday Monday, it will be on Tuesday instead.)

Cloone GAA “Battle of the Townlands” Table Quiz in Creegan’s Bar, Cloone on Saturday 24th March at 9 pm. 4 per team; €40 per table. Gather 4 of your neighbours & register your team by texting Townland & Team Name to 086 0594310. Raffle & refreshments.

Cloone Community Centre AGM will be held on Monday 26th March at 9 pm. New members always welcome.

Public Meeting on 8th Amendment in Canon Donoghue Hall, Mohill on this Wednesday 21st March at 8 pm. Cup of tea and chat afterwards.

Rosary/Prayers at Drumlegga Mass Rock, Cloone for Life and Faith in Ireland on this Sunday 18th March at 2.30 pm. All those attending are asked to park at Keeldra lake amenity and walk to the Mass Rock from there. The date was chosen because it is the day that bridges the Feasts of St. Patrick, the protector of Ireland and St. Joseph, the protector of the Universal Church (March 19th). This is part of a nationwide initiative which remembers the commitment to life and faith of our ancestors in very difficult times as we too face threats to our faith and the life of the unborn in our country. Info at www.costalrosaryireland.ie.

Offertory Collection: Aughavas € 845.00; Cloone € 620.00.