

Aughavas & Cloone Parishes

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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Masses

Cloone: Sat. 15th Dec. 8.00 pm. Pat Gallogly & D.F.M., Tooma.

Cloone: Sun. 16th Dec. 10.00 am. "Do This In Memory".

John McCabe, Drumbore.

Aughavas: Sun. 16th Dec. 11.30 am. Eddie & Mary Heslin (1st Anniv) & D.F.M.,

Druminbawn & Peter & Mary Moran & D.F.M. Augharan.

Cloone: Mon. 17th Dec. 10.00 am. Pro Populo.

Cloone: Tues. 18th Dec. 10.00 am. Aughavas: Thurs. 20th Dec. 10.00 am. Cloone: Fri. 21st Dec. 10.00 am.

Cloone: Sat. 22nd Dec. 8.00 pm. Brigid & Con Mahon & their son Con, Gortnaragh.

Cloone: Sun. 23rd Dec. 10.00 am. Aughavas: Sun. 23rd Dec. 11.30 am.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Aughavas: Monday 6pm—9pm; Cloone Tuesday 7pm—10pm.

Penance Service and Confessions in Preparation for Christmas:

Monday 17th December: Aughavas 7.00 pm; Gortletteragh 8.00 pm.

Tuesday 18th December: Fenagh 7.00 pm; Cloone 8.00 pm.

Wednesday 19th December: Drumsna 7.00 pm; Mohill 8.00 pm.

All Ireland Rosary Rally for Faith and Life is taking place on 1st January 2019 (Solemnity of the Mother of God), at 12 noon at Dáil Éireann, Dublin. This is to ask God through Our Lady to increase the Faith in Ireland and to protect the unborn child. The Rosary is a most powerful weapon against evil. To book your place on a bus from Leitrim, call 086-8775036.

Trócaire's Christmas Appeal 2018: "In Yemen people are facing the worst famine in a century, with five million at risk of starvation. In South Sudan, four million have had to leave their homes and seven million are in need of food aid. Trócaire's Christmas Appeal focuses on providing food and support for the people in countries such as South Soudan and Yemen. If you wish to make a donation this Christmas, please visit the Trócaire website at https://www.trocaire.org/Christmas".

Irish Bishop's Conference—Abortion cannot be supported: Reflecting on the current Dáil debate on the abortion bill, bishops said, "We are dismayed that, for the most part, the voices of those who voted against abortion in May's referendum have been ignored. Even what many people would have deemed to have been very reasonable legislative amendments seeking to provide women with information and to prohibit abortion on the grounds of sex, race or disability, have been rejected.

Irish society must have respect for the right of conscientious objection for all healthcare professionals and pharmacists. They cannot be forced either to participate in abortion or to refer patients to others for abortion.

"Every one of us has a right to life. It is not given to us by the *Constitution of Ireland* or by any law. We have it 'as of right', whether we are wealthy or poor, healthy or sick. All human beings have it. The direct and intentional taking of human life at any stage is gravely wrong and can never be justified.

"Women's lives, and the lives of their unborn children, are precious, valued and always deserving of protection. Any law which suggests otherwise would have no moral force. In good conscience it cannot be supported and would have to be resisted. "We offer our prayerful solidarity with everyone dedicated to the sanctity and protection of human life at all stages. We ask everyone of goodwill - whether at home, in parish, in school or at work - to continue to choose and to celebrate the preciousness of life."

Fire Prevention: Maintenance and service of Fire extinguishers for Aughavas Church and house cost €205.30; St. Stephen's church, Rossan cost €131.50 and St. Mary's Church and house, Cloone cost €185.98. Total is €522.78.

St. Joseph's Ladies will hold their annual bake sale today Sunday 16th December in Aughavas club rooms after Mass. All proceeds this year go to local cancer charities. Your support would be greatly appreciated for this worthy cause.

Mohill Computer Training—Upcoming Evening Courses in 2019: New Level 5 part time Design Skills & Digital Fabrication starting on Friday 18th January and run for one day per week for approx. 14 weeks; Internet Security with Basic Computing; Navigating Modern Living, Renewable Energy & Digital Photography. The Centre will be closed from Thursday 20th December to Wednesday 2nd January. Call 071 9632024. Email: info@mct.ie.

Family Time at Your Library: You and your child aged 4 to 6 years are invited to Family Time in Ballinamore Library on Tuesday 18th December 4.00pm - 4.30pm. Come along and join in the story time with fun and games. To book a place please contact the library at 071 9645566 by Monday 17th December.

St. Paul VI— One of the Church's greatest needs is to be defended against the evil we call the devil. Evil is not merely an absence of something, but an active force, a living, spiritual being that is perverted and that perverts others. It is a terrible reality, mysterious and frightening, it is the devil. The power of evil is at work where the denial of God becomes radical, where lies become powerful in the face of evident truth, where love is smothered by cold cruel selfishness, where Christ's name is attacked with conscious rebellious hatred. The grace of God is the decisive defence against evil. Jesus gives us prayer & fasting as a remedy. Sincerely praying the Our Father, asking the Father to "deliver us from evil".

Offertory Collection: Aughavas € 985.00; Cloone € 1,250.00.

(Sunday & Holy Day)

Shrine: Cloone € 275.00.