

# PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

## <u>CANDLEMAS DAY</u>

**Pray for** the happy repose of the souls of Margar et McKenna (nee Caldwell), Knockloughlin, Longford and formerly of Cloonmacart, Drumlish (sister of Ann O'Donnell, Drumlegga, Cloone) whose funeral took place on Tuesday last in Ennybegs, Killoe and Johnnie Moran, late of Melican, Aughavas who died in England. Funeral Mass at 12 noon in Aughavas on Thursday 6th February with burial in Fenagh cemetery.

#### Masses:

Aughavas: Sat. 1st Feb.	7.00 pm.	Mass with Blessing of Candles. Pro. Populo.
<b>Cloone:</b> Sun. 2nd Feb.	1	Feast of the Presentation of the Lord.
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		Michael Joe Clancy & D.F.M., Drumloughan.
		Brigid & Shane McGovern, Gubbs.
Aughavas: Sun. 2nd Feb.	11.30 am.	Mass with Blessing of Candles.
		Mass with Blessing of Throats (Feast of St. Blaise)
Rossan: Tues. 4th Feb.		Margaret & Denis Byrne, Cloncoose.
Cloone: Wed. 5th Feb.	10.00 am.	5
Aughavas: Thurs. 6th Feb.12.00 noon. Funeral Mass for Johnnie Moran.		
Aughavas: Fri. 7th Feb.	7.00 pm.	Patrick & Mary Kate Moran, Melican.
Aughavas: Sat. 8th Feb.		Eugene McNamara, Leganomer.
Cloone: Sun. 9th Feb.	10.00 am.	Hugh & Mary Anne Harte, Drumbore and Kate
		Reynolds & D.M. of the Harte & Reynolds Families.
James & Catherine Pope &	their daugh	nter Breege & D.M. of the Pope & McHugh Families,
•	C	Cloone.
Aughavas: Sun. 9th Feb.	11.30 am	. Pat & Mary Kate McDonnell, Corriga.
	Jo	hnny, Mary Kate & Jack Mulligan & D.F.M. Camber.
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#### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Aughavas: Monday 6pm—9pm; Cloone: Tuesday 7pm—10pm.

1st Friday: The sick & housebound will be visited on Thurs. 6th & Fri. 7th February.

Cloone Parish Pastoral Council Meeting on Monday 3rd February at 8.00 pm.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** There will be a Meeting of the Chairperson, Deputy Chairperson, Co-Ordinator and Secretary of the Eucharistic Adoration Committee for the Parish of Cloone in the Parish House on Monday 10th February at 8.30 pm.

Ardagh/Clonmacnois Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: If there is any person in the Parish of Cloone or in the Parish of Aughavas that wishes to go as an assisted pilgrim due to illness or advanced years or if you know of some person in the Parish in that position, please contact Fr. Peter Tiernan.

**Seinn: Ardagh and Clonmacnois**—9 Schools; 350 Students; 18 Songs. Come and join in this unique event on Thursday 6th February at 7.30 pm in St. Mel's Cathedral, Longford as 350 students from around the diocese lead us in a night of music and reflection. There is no entrance fee but a collection will be taken up at the end.

**The Mohill Citizens Information Outreach Clinic**— Friday 7th February from 9:30am to 12:00pm in LAPWD Office, Station Road, Mohill. This is a free service. The next Clinic will take place on Friday March 6th also from 9:30am-12pm. Telephone the Citizens Information Service, Carrick-on-Shannon for further details on 0761 07 5670.

**Cloone Agricultural Show A.G.M:** The Annual General Meeting of Cloone Agricultural Show will be held on next Thursday night, February 6th in the Community Centre at 9.30 pm. All members requested to attend and new members welcome.

**Aughavas ICA Meeting** @ 8pm on Wednesday 5th February 2020 in the GAA Clubrooms. New Members welcome. Geraldine McGovern will be showcasing her products Essens Perfumes and Body Cosmetics @ 9pm and outside Members are very welcome to attend. Refreshments Served.

**Basic Computer Course: Free Training:** Starting on: Tues 18<sup>th</sup> February, duration 2 hours. (4 classes running Tuesday & Thursday afternoon) in *Ballinamore Library*, from 2.30pm – 4.30pm. To Book contact: 087 3312017. Kids Fun and Fitness with Michelle from Michelle's Assorted Fitness in Ballinamore Library at 12noon on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> February. All Welcome

**St. Joseph's N.S. Aughavas Enrolment September 2020:** Enrolment forms for September 2020 are now available from the school. Tel: 071 9636326, email: aughavasns@gmail.com. Completed forms to be returned to the school together with child's Birth Certificate by Friday 28th February 2020.

A Mass of Remembrance will be held on Wednesday 5th February 2020 at 3:00 pm in St. Loman's Hospital Chapel, Mullingar, in memory of deceased patients and people buried in St. Loman's Hospital Cemetery from 1907 to 1970. All are welcome.

### The Experiences and challenges of families

Consideration needs to be given to the growing danger represented by an extreme individualism which weakens family bonds and ends up considering each member of the family as an isolated unit, leading in some cases to the idea that one's personality is shaped by his or her desires, which are considered absolute. 'The tensions created by an overly individualistic culture, caught up with possessions and pleasures, leads to intolerance and hostility in families.' Here I would also include today's fast pace of life, stress and the organisation of society and labour, since all these are cultural factors which militate against permanent decisions. We also encounter widespread uncertainty and ambiguity. For example, we rightly value a personalism that opts for authenticity as opposed to mere conformity. While this can favour spontaneity and a better use of people's talents, if misdirected it can foster attitudes of constant suspicion, fear of commitment, self-centredness and arrogance. Freedom of choice makes it possible to plan our lives and to make the most of ourselves. Yet if this freedom lacks noble goals or personal discipline, it degenerates into an inability to give oneself generously to others. Indeed, in many countries where the number of marriages is decreasing, more and more people are choosing to live alone or simply to spend time together without cohabiting. We can also point to a praiseworthy concern for justice; but if misunderstood, this can turn citizens into clients interested solely in the provision of services.

Offertory Collection: (Sun. 26th Jan.) Aughavas € 845.00; Cloone € 620.00.