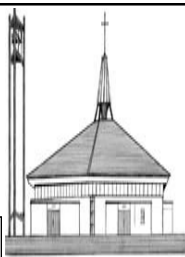


# Aughavas & Cloone Parishes

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**25th October 2020**



## 30th Sunday in ordinary time

### **Masses:**

**Cloone:** Sat. 24th Oct. 8.00 pm. Pro Populo.  
**Aughavas:** Sun. 25th Oct. 11.30 am.  
**Cloone:** Mon. 26th Oct. 10.00 am. Anna Mae Williams, Rossan.  
**Cloone:** Tues. 27th Oct. 10.00 am. John & Margaret Kiernan & D.F.M., Cloonesarn.  
**Cloone:** Wed. 28th Oct. 10.00 am. Nell Moran, Aughavas. M.M. and her husband  
Martin & their daughter Maureen.  
**Cloone:** Thurs. 29th Oct. 10.00 am. Anthony Higgins, M.M. and Hugh Higgins,  
Drumadorn.  
**Cloone:** Fri. 30th Oct. 10.00 am. Anne Charles, Carrickavoher.  
**Cloone:** Sat. 31st Oct. 8.00 pm. **Eve of All Saints.**  
**Aughavas:** Sun. 1st Nov. 11.30 am. **All Saints Day.**

**Please Note that all weekday and Sunday Masses are on webcam only and without a congregation.**

**Service to dedicate November as a month of Prayer and Remembrance for the Dead and the Bereaved:** A Service to dedicate the month of November as a time of prayer and remembrance for the Dead and the comfort of the Bereaved will take place in St. Mary's Church, Cloone at 3.00 pm on Sunday 1st November. As we cannot have a congregation the service will be live streamed via the webcam.

**The Church during Level 5 Restrictions:** Since midnight on Wednesday 21st October 2020, the country entered Level Five of the Government's 'Resilience and Recovery 2020-2021: Plan for Living with COVID-19'.

### **The following are the implications for Church practice:**

1. Public Masses cannot be celebrated. A priest may celebrate Mass in the church privately but with no congregation present, this may be livestreamed. Outside speakers should not be used at this time as outdoor gatherings are not allowed at Level 5.
2. All other ceremonies cease for the duration of Level Five: First Holy Communion, Confirmation, Baptism and the Sacrament of Penance etc.
3. The following are allowed:
  - (a) Funeral Masses with up to 25 mourners.
  - (b) Marriages with up to 25 guests.
4. Churches may remain open for private prayer, with adequate sanitising measures.
5. Anointing of the sick may take place when invited by the family and taking all the necessary precautions of hand sanitising, social distancing, face covering and anointing with a cotton bud.
6. Priests are permitted to travel beyond the 5 km limit to lead services remotely through the use of information and communications technology, to conduct weddings or funerals and to

administer the anointing of the sick.

7. First Friday Calls should not take place until further notice.

**World Mission Sunday:** On behalf of Pope Francis and the poorest and most vulnerable communities in our wider Church family, thank you for supporting World Mission Sunday last weekend. Your kindness and prayers for our overseas missionaries and the people they serve are always appreciated and greatly needed. To donate go to [www.wmi.ie/mission](http://www.wmi.ie/mission), call Fiona on 01 4972035, or lodge money directly: IBAN—IE12 BOFI 9007 5456 9616 36, BIC—BOFIE2D, Account Name—Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

### **Silence is Worship**

Silence is an important element in all communication. It is particularly important to allow for silence as a part of the dialogue between God and the community of faith. It allows for the voice of the Holy Spirit to be heard in the hearts of the people of God and to enable them to unite personal prayer more closely with the word of God and the public voice of the Church. During liturgical silence all respond in their own way, recollecting themselves, pondering what has been heard, petitioning and praising God in their inmost spirit.

Liturgical silence is not merely an absence of words, a pause, or an interlude. It is a stillness, a quieting of spirits, a making of time and leisure to hear, assimilate, and respond. Any haste that hinders reflectiveness should be avoided.

The dialogue between God and the community of faith taking place through the Holy Spirit requires intervals of silence, suited to the assembly, so that all can take to heart the word of God and respond to it in prayer.

Liturgical silence is a corporate activity shared in by all present, by which all support and sustain each other in profound prayerful solidarity. It demands a stillness and prayerful concentration, which the priest celebrant and all ministers can help to bring about.

### ***Friday: a very special penitential day***

Because Friday recalls the crucifixion of our Lord, it too is set aside as a special penitential day. The Church does not prescribe, however, that fish must be eaten on Friday's. It never did. Abstinence always meant the giving up of meat rather than the eating of fish as a substitute. What the Church does require, according to the new Code, is that its members abstain from meat or some other food or that they perform some alternative work of penance laid down by the Bishops' Conference.

### ***The style of Friday abstinence***

In accordance with the mind of the universal Church, the Irish bishops remind their people of the obligation of Friday penance, and instruct them that it may be fulfilled in one or more of the following ways:

- (i) By abstaining from meat or some other food;
- (ii) By abstaining from alcoholic drink, smoking or some form of amusement;
- (iii) By making the special effort involved in family prayer, taking part in the Mass, visiting the Blessed Sacrament or praying the Stations of the Cross;
- (iv) By fasting from all food for a longer period than usual and perhaps by giving what is saved in this way to the needy at home and abroad.
- (v) By going out of our way to help somebody who is poor, sick, old or lonely.

### ***Friday penance is a serious obligation***

While the form of penance is an option and doesn't have to take the same form every Friday, the obligation to do penance is not. There is a serious obligation to observe Friday as a penitential day. We are confident that the Irish people as a whole will take this obligation to heart. We recommend that each person should choose some form of penance for Fridays, in memory, as was Friday abstinence, of the Passion and death of our Lord.

**Offertory Collection:** (4th/11th October) **Cloone € 420.00.**