

Stations of the Cross: There are copies of Stations of the Cross at the church entrance in Cloone and in Aughavas. You may take a copy home and during the week the Stations can be done in the home, walking round the garden, or walking round a field.

Celebrate Holy Week at home this year: There are leaflets at the church door in Cloone and in Aughavas which will serve as a guide to help us journey through Holy Week at home in a prayerful way.

Accord Counselling Service: The largest counselling service in Ireland, Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG (Accord), supported by Tusla, the Child and Family Agency, has launched a multi-channel advertising campaign—across digital platforms, social media, local newspapers and radio—to offer hope (support) to individuals, couples and their families, where relationships are experiencing tension, anxiety and stress during this time of pandemic. Accord has commissioned the marketing communications company Core to design this integrated advertising campaign to promote its counselling service and Covid-19 Support Line 015313331. Calls charged at local rates. The key message of this campaign is: ‘If you can’t talk to each other, talk to Accord’.

Walk, Cycle or Run with Bóthar na Naomh and Keeldra Lake Amenity fundraiser.

Bóthar na Naomh and Keeldra Lake Amenity Development Committees have come together to encourage everyone to participate in a virtual fundraiser continuing from now until Monday April 5th. The purpose of this initiative is to provide match funding as well as upkeep and maintenance funds for the extensive development work done at both locations over the last few years. Bóthar na Naomh development commenced in 2013 with the construction of a double looped walkway known as Bóthar na Naomh. Fishing points, boat slip and heritage features as well as a 2km Cross Country Equestrian trail was added while a Garden of Remembrance was completed in Cloone village in 2020. Keeldra lake amenity began development in 1966 with the provision of a swimming area and pier.

In the 1980’s an amenity area was developed with changing facilities, toilets and a picnic area. Since then, extensive renovation of all facilities has taken place. A 2.7KM walking trail around the lake has been provided, together with fishing stands, car park and seating. Bóthar na Naomh and Keeldra Lake Amenity committee challenge you to select your target distance of 50, 75 or 100 kilometres to walk, cycle or run from now until Monday April 5th. They ask you to post pictures of your progress on Facebook at <https://m.facebook.com/Walk-Run-Cycle-for-Bothar-na-Naomh-Keeldra-Lake-Trails-101942401959819/> and to donate to their Go fund me account at <https://gofund.me/35d5ec62> where a target of €10,000 has been set. Why not step your way out of lockdown by finding us on Facebook, then encourage friends and family to do the same and support us with donations to our fund.

Donations can also be left in Higgin's shop Cloone or at Keeldra lake amenity.

Thanks to all who contributed to the offertory collection and Shrove dues.

Trócaire: Please leave your contribution in to the Parish House in Cloone.

Shrove Dues:	Aughavas € 1,915.00;	Cloone € 2,215.00.
Offertory Collection:	Aughavas € 1,080.00;	Cloone € 965.00.

(28th February to 21st March)



PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY 2021



Palm Sunday commemorates the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem to celebrate the Passover, the week before his death and resurrection. The gospels record the arrival of Jesus riding into the city on a donkey, while the crowds spread their cloaks and palm branches on the street and shouted “Hosanna to the Son of David.”

Palm Sunday is often referred to as “Passion Sunday” marks the beginning of Holy Week which concludes on Easter Sunday.

Easter Triduum: The celebration of the Easter Triduum of the Passion and Resurrection of Christ is the climax of the whole Church Year. Mass of the Lord’s Supper, the Good Friday celebration of the Lord’s Passion reaches its climax on Saturday night with the celebration of the Easter Vigil.

Masses

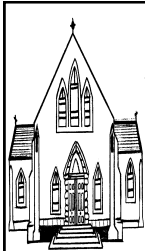
Aughavas: Sat. 27th Mar. 7.00 pm. **Eve of Palm Sunday.**

Cloone: Sun. 28th Mar. 10.00 am. **Palm Sunday.** Pro. Populo.

Cloone: Mon. 29th Mar. 10.00 am. Olivia Harte, Killeveha.

Cloone: Tues. 30th Mar. 10.00 am. Phil, Mary & Hilda Smyth &DFM, Sonnaconnor.

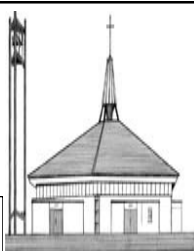
Cloone: Wed. 31st Mar. 10.00 am.



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28th March 2021



Holy Thursday—Morning Prayer of the Church in Cloone at 10.00 am. Mass of The Lord's Supper in Cloone at 8.00 pm.



The Mysteries which we commemorate to-day, Holy Thursday, are the Institution of the Eucharist, the Institution of the Priesthood and Christ's commandment to love one another as brothers and sisters. The Eucharist is a sacrifice of Love, a sign of Unity and a bond of Charity. It is a Pascal Banquet in which Christ is consumed, the mind is filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory is given to us.

Good Friday—Meditation on the Seven Last Words of Christ in Cloone 12 noon.

(also available on Aughavas Parish Facebook page).

The Commemoration of the Lord's Passion in Aughavas at 3 pm. Stations of the Cross in Aughavas Church at 8 pm.

(also available on Aughavas Parish Facebook page).



The Cross is a sign of hope, victory and resurrection for us as well as sign of pain, suffering and death. As we share in the suffering of the crucified Christ, we also share in the new life of hope of the Risen Lord. On this day when 'Christ Our Passover was sacrificed' (1 Cor 5:7), the Church meditates on the Passion of her Lord and Spouse, venerates the Cross, commemorates her origin from the side of Christ on the Cross, and intercedes for the salvation of the whole world.

Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence.

Holy Saturday — Morning Prayer of the Church in Cloone at 10.00am. The Easter Vigil in Aughavas at 9 pm.

This night is the most important of all Vigils when the Church waits for the Resurrection of the Lord. This is the night when the Church keeps vigil, waiting for the resurrection of the Lord, and celebrates the sacraments of Christian Initiation. The Passover Vigil, in which the Hebrews kept watch for the Lord's Passover which was to free them from slavery to Pharaoh, prefigured the true Pasch of Christ that was to come. For the resurrection of Christ, in which he 'broke the chains of death and rose triumphant from the grave', is the foundation of our faith and hope, and through Baptism and Confirmation we are inserted into the pascal mystery of Christ, dying, buried and raised with him, and with him we shall also reign. The full meaning of the Vigil is a waiting for the coming of the Lord.



Easter Sunday of The Lord's Resurrection: Cloone: Sun. 4th April. 10.00 am.

'Christ is risen, alleluia!' This is the ancient Christian greeting on this day of great joy and happiness for all. 'Easter is not simply one feast among others, but the "Feast of feasts". The mystery of the Resurrection, in which Christ crushed death, permeates with its powerful energy our old time, until all is subjected to him' (CCC, 1169).

(Please note that all Holy Week ceremonies will be live streamed and without a congregation).

Good Friday

O King of the Friday

Whose limbs were stretched on the cross,

O Lord who did suffer

The bruises, the wounds, the loss,

We stretch ourselves

Beneath the shield of thy might,

Some fruit from the tree of thy passion

Fall on us this night!

From the Irish.

HOLY WEEK LITURGIES ON RTÉ

Palm Sunday— 28th March.

RTÉ News Channel, 2.15 pm, Mass: Cathedral of SS. Patrick and Felim—Bishop Martin Hayes - <https://www.churchservices.tv/cavancathedral>.

Holy Thursday—1st April.

RTÉ One, 16.40 (repeated Radio 1 Extra / LW252, 1900) - Fr. Martin Smith (Carlow IT) with members of RTÉ Cor Linn.

Good Friday—2nd April.

RTÉ One / Radio 1 Extra / LW252, 1500 -1600 - Solemn Liturgy for Good Friday from Knock Basilica.

Holy Saturday—3rd April.

RTÉ One / Radio 1 Extra / LW252, 2300 - 0015 - Easter Vigil Mass from Knock Basilica.

The Chrism Mass will take place in Saint Mel's Cathedral on Tuesday 30th March at 7.00pm and will be livestreamed, available at www.longfordparish.com.

Pray for the happy repose of the soul of Rita Doyle (nee Kavanagh), Mohill and formerly of Cornagher, Cloone whose funeral took place in Mohill on Monday last and Eleanor Guckian (nee Kiernan), Coronagh, Carrigallen and formerly of Aughalough, Aughavas whose funeral took place in Arva.