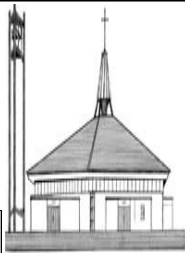




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17th April 2022

EASTER SUNDAY

Pray for the happy repose of the soul of Joe McCabe, Esker, Cloone whose funeral Mass takes place tomorrow Monday in St. Mary's, Church, Cloone at 12 Noon.

Masses:

Cloone: Sun. 17th April. 10.00 am. **Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection.**

Aughavas: Sun. 17th April. 11.30 am.

Cloone: Mon. 18th April. **12.00 Noon. Funeral Mass for Joe McCabe, Esker.**

Anniv. Mass for Con Mahon & his parents Brigid & Con, Gortnaraw.

Rossan: Tues. 19th April. 8.00 pm.

Aughavas: Wed. 20th April. 10.00 am.

Cloone: Fri. 22nd April. 10.00 am.

Aughavas: Sat. 23rd April. 8.00 pm. Owen McCaffrey, Coroneary.

Cloone: Sun. 24th April. 10.00 am. Terry & Anne McNally and D.F.M .

D.M. of the Solon & O'Kane families.

Aughavas: Sun. 24th April. 11.30 am. Maureen McGirl, Camber. M.M. & D.F.M.

Eucharistic Adoration in Aughavas— Monday's from 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

Eucharistic Adoration in Cloone—Tuesday's from 8.00 pm to 10.00 pm.



Baptism: Donnacha Damian Brennan, Edenbaun, Cloone was welcomed into the Christian Community in Cloone on Saturday 9th April last.

Weekend Masses in Cloone & Aughavas: In order to make the best use of the space in the church, and in order to allow people to be safely distanced from each other, I would like to request people to make use of the front seats in the church. Also, it does help to make the gathering for the Eucharist more meaningful if the front seats are occupied and not empty.

Aughavas Parish House: At the moment the Parish house in Aughavas is being repaired to make it suitable to house refugees from Ukraine. In the coming weeks we will be making an appeal for items that are needed and funds to help with the project.

Talk in Ballinamore Library: On Friday 22nd of April at 8pm, Ballinamore Library will host its first live event, since pre Covid 19 Pandemic. Dr Liam McNiffe will present his research on the killing of Drumreilly, Aughawillan Methodist farmer, John Harrison in April 1921.

Affordable Live-in Homecare provides live-in carers for the elderly in your area. If you are looking for a live-in carer for your relative, please call Eileen or Tom today on 087 991 6791 or 087 744 0729. Our website is www.alhomecare.ie

Cloone Homecoming and Cloone Tidy Towns Committee meeting in Cloone Community Centre on Friday April 22nd at 8.30pm.

Course Open Day – Mohill Enterprise Centre: On Wednesday 4th May, Mohill Enter-

prise Centre will host an Open Day from 9.00am to 6.30pm to showcase the various QQI-certified courses we deliver on behalf of MSLETB. All our courses are open to Learners aged 16 years and over. Drop in to see our modern training centre, meet our tutors and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee. We look forward to meeting you on the day.

The Resurrection of Jesus

I like the story about an ageing flower-lady with an outdoor stall. Her clothes were old and shabby, her face weather-beaten and wrinkled. A regular customer asked how she was always in good form. 'It's my friend Jesus', she replied. 'Good Friday was the worst of days. Three days later, Easter Sunday, the best of days. So, when I have a problem, I know that if I wait three days, Jesus will overcome it for me.'

The flower-lady knew that Easter is not just an event of past history but her friend Jesus is a living reality.

Practical love, manifested in care of our neighbour, is the greatest proof of God's presence. We are told that we are living in a post-Christian society. But the evidence before our eyes is that the Christian inspiration is alive and well. To quote from Pope Francis: '*Values always tend to reappear under new guises, and human beings have arisen time after time from situations that seemed doomed. Such is the power of the resurrection, and all who evangelise are instruments of that power.*'

In proclaiming the mystery of faith, we say that Christ is risen, present tense. The celebration of Easter is not complete until Christ is risen in you and me.

Drifting into unbelief

Bad company creates a distaste for good; and hence it happens that, when a youth has gone the length I have been supposing, he is repelled, from that very distaste, from those places and scenes which would do him good. He begins to lose the delight he once had in going home. By little and little he loses his enjoyment in the pleasant countenances, and untroubled smiles, and gentle ways, of that family circle which is so dear to him still. At first he says to himself that he is not worthy of them, and therefore keeps away; but at length the routine of home is tiresome to him. He has aspirations and ambitions which home does not satisfy. He wants more than home can give. His curiosity now takes a new turn; he listens to views and discussions which are inconsistent with the sanctity of religious faith. At first he has no temptation to adopt them; only he wishes to know what is "said." As time goes on, however, living with companions who have no fixed principle, and who, if they do not oppose, at least do not take for granted, any the most elementary truths, or worse, hearing or reading what is directly against religion, at length without being conscious of it, he admits a sceptical influence upon his mind. He does not know it, he does not recognise it, but there it is; and *before* he recognises it, it leads him to a fretful impatient way of speaking of the persons, conduct, words, and measures of religious men or of men in authority. This is the way in which he relieves his mind of the burden which is growing heavier and heavier every day. And so he goes on, approximating more and more closely to sceptics and infidels, and feeling more and more congeniality with their modes of thinking, till some day suddenly, from some accident, the fact breaks upon him, and he sees clearly that he is an unbeliever himself.

St. John Henry Newman.

Offertory Collection:(2nd/3rd April) **Aughavas** € 360.00; (3rd April) **Cloone** € 405.00.

Lenten Alms: **Aughavas** € 365.00; **Cloone** € 265.00.

Ukraine Collection: **Aughavas** € 2,055.00; **Cloone** € 1,470.00.