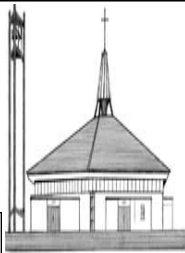




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9th April 2023

EASTER SUNDAY

Pray for the happy repose of the soul of Alice Folan,(nee O'Reilly), Costra, Ballinamore, whose burial took place in Inverin, Galway recently.

Masses:

Cloone: Sun. 9th April.	10.00 am.	Easter Sunday.	Pro. Populo.
Aughavas: Sun. 9th April.	11.30 am.	Easter Sunday.	Pro. Populo.
Cloone: Mon. 10th April.	11.00 am.	Molly Keegan, Drumkielvey. M.M.	
Rossan: Tues. 11th April.	8.00 pm.		
Aughavas: Thurs. 13th April.	10.00 am.		
Cloone: Fri. 14th April.	10.00 am.		
Aughavas: Sat. 15th April.	8.00 pm.	Owen McCaffrey, Coroneary. John Blessing and his parents Patrick Joseph & Maud, also Peter & Mary Kate Gallogly Annamonan. Tom & Annie McIntyre, Corduff, Eugene & Peggy, Gradogue and Peter McIntyre, Drumerkane.	
Cloone: Sun. 16th April.	10.00 am.	James & Janie McGirl and their son James, Corduff, Cloone.	
Aughavas: Sun. 16th April.	11.30 am.	Kathleen Brady, Coroneary. 1st Anniv.	

Eucharistic Adoration: **Aughavas** - Monday's from 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm.
Cloone - Tuesday's from 8.00 pm to 10.00 pm.



Baptism: Emily Howard, Aughalough, Aughavas and Miles Peter Tiernan, Dromore, Aughavas were welcomed into the Christian Community in Aughavas recently.

Trócaire: Please bring Trócaire Collection to the Church and place in box which is on the altar rails in Aughavas and at the ambo in Cloone. It will greatly help to convert coin to notes.

Arrangements for Mass at week-end's in Cloone & Aughavas: On Thursday 20th April, I will be going to hospital for surgery on a hernia. I won't be on duty for the following six weeks. Fr. Brian Brennan, Abbeyshrule, Co. Longford will come on Sunday's for Mass in Cloone at 10.00 am and Mass in Aughavas at 11.30 am. For the duration of my absence there won't be Mass in Aughavas on Saturday evenings. The days on which there is no evening Mass in Aughavas are as follows: - Saturday 22nd April, Saturday 29th April, Saturday 6th May, Saturday 13th May, Saturday 20th May and Saturday 27th May. During this time there won't be weekday Mass in Cloone, Aughavas or Rossan. Fr. John

Quinn, Gortletteragh, Fr. Nigel Charles, Mohill and Fr. Sean Burke, Mohill will be available if needed.

B Pro Heart Testing: at The Nature Trail, Mohill on Saturday 22nd April. Booking essential. Please contact 0876861552 for appointment.

Children's Easter Entertainment Afternoon: A children's Easter Entertainment afternoon will be held at the Aughavas Community Centre between 3pm and 5pm on Easter Monday, April 10th. Easter treats will be provided for the children with tea and coffee for the parents. The cost is €7 per child.

***Thanks:** Heartfelt thanks to all wonderful neighbours and friends (too numerous to mention individually, but you know who you were) who were so kind and helpful to Joe throughout the years, and especially in the last couple of years when he was unwell. Thanks also to Fr Tiernan for the beautiful funeral Mass and everyone who took part. My sister and I were heartened to know that Joe was thought of so highly, and like you we will miss him.*

Elizabeth and Marie (McCabe)

The Resurrection of Christ

The resurrection gospel narratives show us that Jesus wanted to lead His disciples to transcend the old relationship they had with Him, with its limitations. He wanted them to discover Him in another way than before His rising from the dead and to find a new way of relating to Him. Jesus wanted His disciples to discover Him as the risen Christ, now totally free. He wants us to discover new life in freedom within ourselves!

Mary's words; *They have taken my Lord away and I do not know where they have put Him.*

We too are led to think along these same lines at times. When we feel tempted to think like this, rather than lament our losses, let us dare to rejoice to be led into the new thing the Lord is doing. What we are being led to discover is that Jesus is not there where we thought He was ... and that might mean accepting that He is not there where we were taught He was.

Risen from the dead the Lord is no longer in one place alone. Now He is everywhere. The risen Lord is all around us. He is within us. He is in each person we encounter. He is in every situation we will ever know, including those from which He appears to our eyes to be absent.

Thomas Merton shares with us an insight that we would all do well to pay heed to and apply to our own lives. *Only when we are able to 'let go' of everything within us, all desire to see, to know, to taste and experience the presence of God, do we truly become able to experience that presence with an overwhelming conviction and reality that revolutionise our entire inner life.* If we don't let go of our preconceived ideas of where Jesus is and how things ought to be, we hinder ourselves from experiencing Christ's risen life where we need to experience it most ...and that is within us! Christ has been put within us! He lives in our hearts! Alleluia!

A Prayer for Christian Fathers

Heavenly Father, you entrusted your Son Jesus, the child of Mary, to the care of Joseph, an earthly Father. Bless all fathers as they care for their families.

Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience; support them in the work that they have to do, protecting those who look to them, as we look to you for love and salvation, through Jesus Christ our rock and defender. Amen.

Offertory Collection:	(25th/26th Mar.).	Aughavas € 520.00.
	(26th Mar.).	Cloone € 425.00.