

Aughavas & Cloone Parishes

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Transfiguration of the Lord.

Masses:

Cloone: Sat. 5th Aug. 8.00 pm. Bridget & John Smith & D.F.M., Mahana.

Bernie & Lizann Fox, Halls and Misa Arandelovic.

Aughavas: Sun. 6th Aug. 10.00 am. James

10.00 am. James & Eileen McCartin, Tullaghan. Kathleen, Paul & Martin Bohan, Augharan.

Mai & John McKiernan & D.F.M., Drumshanbo North.

Cloone: Sun. 6th Aug. 11.30 am. Cemetery Sunday.

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Rossan: Tues. 8th Aug. 8.00 pm. Tommy & Annie Hayden (nee McCabe),

Ardnacassa, Longford.

Aughavas: Wed. 9th Aug. 10.00 am. All who helped McKiernan Family, Drumkerrib

at the time of Maureen's funeral.

Cloone: Thurs. 10th Aug. 10.00 am.

Aughavas: Fri. 11th Aug. 8.00 pm. Nell & Martin Moran and Maureen Moran

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Cloone: Sat. 12th Aug. 8.00 pm. Eugene Mulligan & D.F.M., Drumloughan.

D.M. of the Mitchell, Reynolds, Heslin & O'Neill Families.

Cloone: Sun. 13th Aug. 10.00 am. Packie Joe McGarry, Annamacooleen.

Seán & Mary Dillon, Cloone and their grand-daughter Lorraine Flynn.

Kathleen Devine, Edergole, her parents Maria and James Devine, her brothers Bernard & James and her sister Margaret McTiernan and cousin Michelle Canny (nee Shortt), and

Katie Shortt (nee Baxter), Edergole, (sister of Maria Devine).

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Eucharistic Adoration: Aughavas - Monday's from 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

Cloone - Tuesday's from 8.00 pm to 10.00 pm.



Marriage: Congratulations and best wishes to Nicola Kenny, Meiltron and John Flynn, Kilglass who were married in Aughavas on Thursday 27th July last.

Cemetery Sunday takes place in Cloone today Sunday 6th August at 11.30 am and in Aughavas on Sunday next 13th August at 11.30 am. Please bring your own Holy Water for the sprinkling of the graves. Holy water is available in the porch of Cloone Church and at St. Joseph's altar in Aughavas Church. There is a special collection taken up at the entrances to the cemetery. The proceeds of this collection goes to the Aughavas Parish Improvement Scheme. It is the Parish Improvement Scheme who look after the cemeteries and cut the grass in both Cloone and Aughavas cemeteries. This is a very valuable service to Cloone and Aughavas. We appreciate your generosity towards this very useful service to the parish.

National Novena to Our Lady of Knock—14th to 22nd August. Family Day—Sunday 20th August from 11.00 am to 3.00 pm. Games, activities and fun for all the family on the beautiful grounds of Knock Shrine. Admission free. All are welcome.

Postgraduate Programmes in Theology and Philosophy at St. Patrick's Pontifical University Maynooth. Applications accepted up to 14th August. For more information contact pgadmissions@spcm.ie or call 01 7083391.

Cloone Foroige Club are hosting a coffee morning after the Blessing of graves this Sunday 6th August in the Community Centre. Please support.

Pilgrimages to Lourdes 2023: 4 Night Pilgrimages—10th to 14th August, € 685.00 pps; 5 Night Pilgrimages—19th to 24th August, € 715.00 pps; 7 Night Pilgrimages—12th to 19th August, € 869.00 pps. Call Marian Pilgrimages on 01 8788159.

The Word of God: If you would like to become more familiar with scripture and learn more, try www.goodnews.ie

Silence

In this world of ours where there are so many voices clamouring for our attention, so many distractions from our phones and tablets—a world saturated with words and images, with fake news and spin, with entertainment and sensationalism—in our world with so many things to fascinate and enthuse us, can we hear the still small voice? Do we hear the voice of God telling us to be silent, and to listen to Jesus, the Beloved Son? God is encountered when we fall silent in our expectant listening, in the humility of one who listens and silently contemplates.

Silence prepares us for prayer and worship, and silence enables us to encounter God who comes to us in the Mass. Here, we listen to the Word of God who speaks to us in our humble silence.

Many of us can be afraid of silence because we're terrified of loneliness, and there are so many temptations to destroy silence whether through recorded music while we jog, or the radio while we drive, or busy-ness or chatter in church, or distracted thoughts and fiddling with our phones even when we're with friends. Perhaps we fear that silence can uncover the emptiness of modern life. But, if we listen, Jesus comes to you and me, and he says 'do not be afraid'. Because, as you and I know, the silence we find in church is not a void that needs to be filled. A silent church is already full of God's Word, who is present in the tabernacle.

So, when we enter here, the silence is pregnant with expectation as we await the birth of God's Word; we wait for Jesus to speak to us; we listen for the still small voice of the Beloved.

Out of this holy silence, we encounter God. This is theophany, a revelation of divine love, and his glory transfigures our world; his light shines in our darkness; his promise of resurrection fills our pain and suffering and brokenness with hope, encouraging us on the journey further up this mountain that is called Life.

The Souls in Purgatory.

St. John Vianney, the cure of ars, said "If we only knew what power these souls have over the heart of God, and what grace we can receive through their intercession, they would not be so abandoned by us. The prayer for their relief from Purgatory is, after the prayer for the conversion of sinners, the most pleasing prayer to God."

! Offertory Collection: (30th July) Aughavas € 555.00; (30th July) Cloone € 660.00.