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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Gaudete Sunday: The responsorial psalm bids us "Sing and shout for joy for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel". The Lord is near, we are about to celebrate his coming, so be Happy.

Year of Faith: A prayer card containing the Apostles' Creed is available in the church porches from Bishop Colm.

It is a summery of our Faith, It is what we believe. Each family is asked to recite the creed once a day. Words of St Paul (1Cor. 16:13) also are printed to affirm us, Be Alert, Stand firm in the Faith, Be Courageous, Be Strong.

Confessions for Christmas:

Wednesday 19/12/'12 Drumsna 7.00 pm Mohill 8.00 pm Thursday 18/12/'12 Aughavas 7.00 pm Gortletteragh 8.00 pm Sunday 23/12/'12 Fenagh 7.00 pm Cloone 8.00 pm

There will be four priests available in each church. There will be six in Mohill church. Parishioners are encouraged to avail of the sacrament in preparation for the Saviour's Birth.

The Boxes of envelopes for Cloone church 2013 collections are being given out over the next few weeks. There are **three new envelopes** this year for the **Cloone Church Building Fund. A letter** has also been sent to you explaining the idea behind the extra collections.

A copy of the letter is posted on the church porch notice boards.

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Masses:

Cloone: Sat. 15/12/'12 7.00 pm. Sean Tiernan, Cloone Village. A. Cloone: Sun. 16/12/'12 10.00 am. Aughavas: Sun. 16/12/'12 11.30 am dfm McKiernan, Blessing & Reilly, Carrickavoher, Mohill and Rathangan. A. Winifred McLoughlin. A. Cloone: Mon. 10.00 am Rossan: Tues. 7.00 pm Cloone: Wed. 10.00 am Aughavas: Thur. 10.00 am Peter & Madge Duignan Coroneary A Aughavas: Fri. 10.00 am Cloone: Sat. 22/12/^{*}12 7.00 pm Con Mahon Gortnaraw A John Joe Donohoe & dfm Rocullion A

Cloone: Sun. 23/12/'12 10.00 am Aughavas: Sun. 23/12/'12 11.30 am Noel Blessing Aughnaglace A

Dan Kiernan & dfm Corriga A

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Aughavas:Monday 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm.Cloone:Tuesday 8.00 pm to 9.00 pm.

We wish to acknowledge a generous donation of $\notin 270.00$ from the Cloone Anglers Association towards the Cloone Church Works.

Fundraising Cycle: Carrick on Shannon Deanery Lourdes Assisted Pilgrimage committee are having a (50K & 20K) cycle on **St Stephen's Day** leaving Trail Blazers (Dublin Rd) at 10.00 am. Helmets essential. Please come along and join us for this worthy cause. Donations taken as a registration fee. Refreshments on the day.

Home Alone This Christmas? Don't be home alone, if you would like some company, Senior Help Line is a national confidential telephone listening service for older people provided by trained older volunteers. We are open every day over Christmas, including Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day, from 10 am to 10pm, (closed Christmas evening from 7-10pm). All calls are treated as strictly confidential. We are here to listen. LoCall 1850 440 444 for the price of a local call anywhere in Ireland.

Bingo in Cloone Community Centre on St. Stephen's Day at 6 pm. Please support. **Cloone Homecoming Festival & Schools Re-Union:** The launch of the Homecoming Festival and Schools Re-Union website will take place on this Saturday night the 15th December in McKeons bar Cloone. Music by Michael Moran, spot prizes galore. Next meeting on Wednesday 19th December in Cloone Community Centre at 7pm, everybody welcome. Photographs, contact addresses, articles, and other relevant material appreciated.

Crafty Ladies - The local arts and crafts community, thank you for your support for our Craft Fair held last Sunday in Carrigallen. Thanks for all donations (over \in 850) gathered for NW Hospice and ISPCA Longford. The 'Carrigallen Quilt' was raffled off and won by Mary Ryan, Bawnboy. Anybody who would like to get involved or have contacts, come join us or follow us on Facebook.

Ballykiltyfea Group Water Scheme: Please note that bills have been issued to all users of the scheme. Please leave payment with James Shanley or Sheila Gallogly.

Cloone GAA: Christmas wreath's for sale at $\in 10.00$ each.

St. Vincent De Paul wish to thank everyone who contributed so generously to their Annual Church Gate Collection which was held in Aughavas on last Sunday. The amount collected was €709.00. Local contact No. for SVP is 087 6024223.

Offertory Collection: Correction for last week— Cloone €655.00; Aughavas €235.00.

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