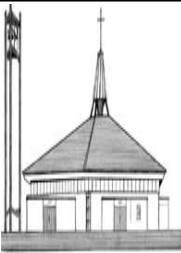


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16th June 2024

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pray for the happy repose of the soul of Bridget Jennings (nee McCrann), Great Neck, New York and formerly of Mount Ida, Cloone whose funeral took place in New York on Monday 10th June last.

Masses:

Aughavas: Sat. 15th June. 8.00 pm. Bernard Cunningham, Doogra.
Cloone: Sun. 16th June. 10.00 am. Kieran Brennan, Cloone. 1st Anniv.
Aughavas: Sun. 16th June. 11.30 am. Maureen Moran & Hugh and Mary Moran and Mary & Patsy Galligan, Melican.
Aughavas: Sat. 22nd June. 8.00 pm. Patsy McCabe & D.F.M., Carrickavoher.
Cloone: Sun. 23rd June. 10.00 am. McGarty Family, Ardlougher.
Aughavas: Sun. 23rd June. 11.30 am. Maureen McKiernan, Drumkerrib. 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.



Marriage: Congratulations and Best wishes to Angela Monahan, Rocullion, Cloone and Philip Prunty, Ballinamuck who were married in St. Mary's Church, Cloone on Friday 7th June last.

Aughavas Parish Pastoral Council: Aughavas Parish Pastoral Council held their first meeting on Wednesday 24th April at 8.00 pm. There were eight members in attendance. The second meeting took place on Thursday 23rd May. This was a short course for Pastoral Councils given by Fr. James McKiernan, with six members in attendance. Our next meeting will be on Thursday **25th July 2024**. The meeting will take place at 7.30 pm. The meeting will be in St. Joseph's N.S., Aughavas.

'Day for Life': a dedicated day celebrating the beauty and dignity of human life. Day for Life Sunday is celebrated annually with a special message by the Catholic Church across Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales. It is a day specifically dedicated to raising awareness and reflecting on the deep value and meaning of human life at every stage, and in every condition. Today Sunday 16th June, the Church will mark Day for Life 2024 with a message on the theme: *The Lord is my shepherd— Compassion and Hope at the End of Life*. This year's message reminds us that Jesus did not send the sick away, rather He showed that life always has dignity and that there is no such a thing as a useless life. Catholics are called to defend this gift of life to its natural end and to protect vulnerable citizens from a culture that

could pressure them into assisted suicide. In this way, we are encouraged to support people with the companionship of a listening ear, appropriate treatment, and the best care, so that their last days can be times of grace, intimacy and love. The Day for Life message is available on <https://councilforlife.ie/day-for-life-2024>.

St. Joseph's NS Parents Association are having a used clothes collection on Wednesday 19th June. Clothes, paired shoes, hats, scarves, bed linen, curtains, towels, belts and handbags. (No duvets or pillows please). Bags can be left at the bicycle shelter by the front of the school on 18th and 19th of June. Recycle and support your local National School.

Cloone/Aughavas Community Playschool are now taking bookings for September 2024 enrolments. Contact Mary Moran on 086 8382545 for bookings and enquiries or you can call into the playschool in Cloone Community Centre, Monday to Friday 9 am—12 pm.

Active Age Group: A day trip will take place to Galway city and Salthill on Tuesday 2nd July. It is open to everyone of all ages in the community. Booking is essential. It will include coach pick up in Aughavas, Cloone, Mohill, 9 am to 9.15am, stop off for morning refreshments in Roscommon, and evening meal on return journey. More details and to confirm your place, please contact Irene Argue @ 087-7940413 Teresa Slevin @ 087-6188 795 or Marian Shanley @ 087- 2733 986 asap.

Swimming Lessons at Keeldra Lake: Water Safety Ireland annual Swimming and Life Saving classes commence at Keeldra Lake on Monday 1st July at 10:00 am and will run for two weeks. Enrolment will take place at the lake on **Sunday 23rd June from 4-6pm**.

Immortal Diamond

Then it was as if I suddenly saw the secret beauty of their hearts, the depths of their heart where neither sin nor desire, nor self-knowledge can reach, the core of their reality, the person that each one is in God's eyes. If only they could all see themselves as they really are. If only we could see each other that way all the time. There would be no more war, no more hatred, no more cruelty, no more greed. I suppose the big problem would be that we would fall down and worship each other. But this cannot be *seen*, only believed and "understood" by a peculiar gift.

At the centre of our being is a point of nothingness which is untouched by sin and by illusion, a point of pure truth, a point or spark which belongs entirely to God, which is never at our disposal, from which God disposes of our lives, which is inaccessible to the fantasies of our own mind or the brutalities of our own will. This little point of nothingness and of *absolute poverty* is the pure glory of God in us.

It is, so to speak His name written in us, as our poverty, as our indigence, as our dependence, as our personship. It is like a pure diamond, blazing with the invisible light of heaven. It is in everybody, and if we could see it we would see these billions of points of light coming together in the face and blaze of a sun that would make all the darkness and cruelty of life vanish completely I have no programme for this seeing. It is only given. But the gate of heaven is everywhere.

Thomas Merton: Conjectures of a Guilty Bystander.

Offertory Collection: (8th/9th June) Aughavas € 550.00; (9th June) Cloone € 665.00.