

**Young Adults Catholic Apologetics** on Saturday 26th April from 9am-8pm at St. Patrick's College, Maynooth. In addition to the talks and workshops, Holy Mass will be celebrated on the day. Meet like-minded Catholics. Lunch and refreshments will be served throughout the day. Tickets €45. Visit [www.evangelium.ie](http://www.evangelium.ie) for details.

**St. John's Church, Cloverhill** invites you to an evening of gospel music, faith and fellowship with well-known singer James Kilbane on Sunday, April 27th at 7:00 p.m. This special event, *Songs of Life & Hope*, is presented as a spring gathering for the church and surrounding Christian communities to come together in praise, encouragement and song. Donation tickets are €15, available from church organisers, or call 086 0602450. All are warmly welcome.

**Newsletter Notices:** Please note that notices for inclusion in the Parish Newsletter for next weekend **19th/20th April** should be sent by email to [aughavascloone1@gmail.com](mailto:aughavascloone1@gmail.com) by Wednesday evening next at the latest.

**Cloone Community Centre Easter Craft & Food Fair** on Good Friday, April 18th from 18:30 - 21:30. Please come out and support our local crafts & produce.

#### A Short Reflection for Holy Week

Holy Week is a sacred journey that invites us to walk with Jesus through His Passion, Death, and Resurrection. It is a time to pause, reflect, and enter deeply into the mystery of God's love for us. As we recall Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, His Last Supper with His disciples, His agony in the garden, and His suffering on the Cross, we are reminded of the depth of His Sacrifice. He endured all of this out of love for us, to redeem us and bring us back to the Father.

This week calls us to examine our own lives: Where do we need to surrender to God's will? How can we love others more selflessly? What burdens do we need to lay at the foot of the Cross? But Holy Week does not end at the Cross. It culminates in the joy of Easter, the triumph of life over death, and the hope of resurrection. Let us walk this journey with faith, knowing that through Christ's sacrifice, we are offered the gift of new life.

May this Holy Week deepen your relationship with Jesus and prepare your heart to celebrate the joy of His Resurrection. Amen.

#### A prayer before meals for Easter Sunday

Heavenly Father, On this glorious day of resurrection, we gather with grateful hearts to celebrate the victory of Your Son, Jesus Christ, over sin and death.

We thank You for this food before us, a reminder of Your abundant blessings and provision. As we share this meal together, may we be reminded of the love and sacrifice of Christ, who gave Himself for us.

Bless this food to nourish our bodies, and bless our time together as we rejoice in the hope and joy of Easter. May our lives reflect the light of Your resurrection every day.

We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.  
Amen.

**Offertory Collection:** 29th/30th Mar. **Aughavas € 625.00.**

5th/6th April. **Aughavas € 880.00;** 6th April. **Cloone € 620.00.**

**Lenten Alms:** **Aughavas € 430.00;** **Cloone € 275.00.**

**Shrine:** **Cloone € 385.00.**

## PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY 2025



**Palm Sunday** commemorates the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem to celebrate the Passover, the week before his death and resurrection. The gospels record the arrival of Jesus riding into the city on a donkey, while the crowds spread their cloaks and palm branches on the street and shouted "Hosanna to the Son of David. Palm Sunday is often referred to as "Passion Sunday" marks the beginning of Holy Week which concludes on Easter Sunday.

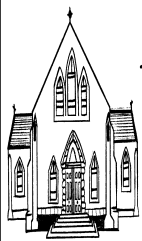
**Easter Triduum:** The celebration of the Easter Triduum of the Passion and Resurrection of Christ is the climax of the whole Church Year. Mass of the Lord's Supper, the Good Friday celebration of the Lord's Passion reaches its climax on Saturday night with the celebration of the Easter Vigil.

#### Confessions for Easter:

<b>Monday 14th April – Cloone</b>	<b>7.00 pm.</b>
<b>Gortletteragh</b>	<b>8.00 pm.</b>
<b>Tuesday 15th April – Aughavas</b>	<b>7.00 pm.</b>
<b>Mohill</b>	<b>8.00 pm.</b>

#### Masses

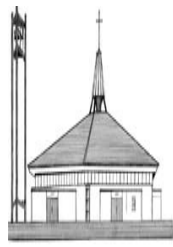
<b>Aughavas: Sat. 12th April.</b>	<b>8.00 pm.</b>	<b>Eve of Palm Sunday.</b>
		Tom & Annie McIntyre, Corduff and Eugene & Peggy McIntyre, Gradogue and Peter & Maria McIntyre, Drumerkane.
<b>Cloone: Sun. 13th April.</b>	<b>10.00 am.</b>	<b>Palm Sunday.</b>
		Joe McCabe & D.F.M., Esker.
		James & Jane McGill, Corduff, Cloone.
<b>Aughavas: Sun. 13th April.</b>	<b>11.30 am.</b>	<b>Palm Sunday.</b>
<b>Cloone: Mon. 14th April.</b>	<b>10.00 am.</b>	Pro. Populo.
<b>Aughavas: Tues. 15th April.</b>	<b>10.00 am.</b>	



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13th April 2025



## Holy Thursday—Mass of The Lord's Supper. Cloone: 8.00 pm.

This evening we remember the farewell gift of the Eucharist that Jesus gave his Church, so that He could be with us for all time in the wine and in the bread that is blessed and broken and shared in his memory. Also the New Commandment of love Jesus gave his church and which is vividly expressed during the Mass this evening in the ceremony of washing of feet.

## Good Friday—The Celebration of the Lord's Passion. Aughavas: 3.00 pm.



This Celebration consists of three parts: (1) The Liturgy of the Word, which includes the Solemn Reading of the Passion and the 10 Solemn Prayers of Intercession. (2) The Veneration of the Cross. (3) The service of Holy Communion. The Cross is a sign of hope, victory and resurrection for us as well as a sign of pain, suffering and death. As we share in the suffering of the crucified Christ, we also share in the new life of hope of the Risen Lord.

*Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence.*

## Holy Saturday Night —The Easter Vigil. Cloone: 8.00 pm.



This night is the most important of all Vigils when the Church waits for the Resurrection of the Lord. To-nights ceremony is divided into four parts.

(1) The service of light. (2) The liturgy of the word. (3) The blessing of the Easter Water and the renewal of our baptismal promises. (4) The Liturgy of the Eucharist. We begin with the blessing of the Easter fire and the lighting of the Easter Candle, symbol of the risen Christ who is the light of the world and it will be lit for all baptisms and at removals and funeral Masses for the next year.

## SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK:

**HOLY THURSDAY: CLOONE:** 17th April. 8.00 pm.

**Reader:** *Olivia Tiernan.*

**Ministers of the Eucharistic:** *Teresa Slevin & Caroline McHugh.*

**Holy Thursday:** There will be Eucharistic Adoration in St. Mary's Church, Cloone after the Mass of the Lord's Supper until 11.00 pm. This is a special time of prayer commemorating our Lord's agony in the Garden of Gethsemane.

**GOOD FRIDAY: AUGHAVAS:** 18th April. 3.00 pm.

**Reader:** *Gerry Gallogly.*

**Readers of the Passion:** (N) *Diane Charles.* (O) & (C) *Marie McKiernan.*

**Solemn Intercessions:** *St. Joseph's N.S.*

**HOLY SATURDAY: CLOONE:** 19th April. 8.00 pm.

**Readers:** 1st Reading (Genesis) & Psalm: *Seamus Tiernan.*

3rd Reading (Exodus): *Damien Brennan.*

5th Reading (Isaiah): *Caroline Mitchell.*

Epistle: *Teresa Kearney.*

**Eucharistic Ministers:** *Teresa Kearney & Teresa Slevin.*

**EASTER SUNDAY:** 20th April.

**CLOONE:** 10.00 am.

**Reader:** *Sheila Gallogly.*

**AUGHAVAS:** 11.30 am.

**Reader:** *Casey Family.*

**Prayer of the Faithful:** *Sinead Gallogly.*

**Pray for** the happy repose of the soul of Brigid (Bridie) Kearney (nee Early), Aughavas and formerly of Ballina, Co. Mayo whose funeral Mass took place in Aughavas on Wednesday last and Anna Flood, nee O'Neill, Aughafin, Edgeworthstown, Co. Longford, sister of James O'Neill, Drumcauskeen, Cloone whose funeral Mass took place in Edgeworthstown on Thursday last.



**Baptism:** Saoirse Mary Taylor, Clapham, Bedford, England was welcomed into the Christian Community in Cloone on Sunday 6th April last.

**The Chrism Mass** will take place in St. Mel's Cathedral on Wednesday 16th April at 7.00 pm.