

Aughavas & Cloone Parishes

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Third Sunday of Advent



Your prayers are requested for the happy repose of the soul of Peter Wynne, Drumconney, bother of Kathleen Mc Garry, Annamacooleen.

Masses:

Cloone: Sat 13th Dec 8.00pm Phil Fitzpatrick, Drumgowla. Pat Gallogly & D.F.M. Tooma.

Padraig Kelly, Annamaconway.

Cloone: Sun 14th Dec 10.00am Michael Moran, Lakeview, 2nd Anniversary.

Aughavas: Sun 14th Dec 11.30am Pro. Populo

 Cloone: Mon 15th Dec
 10.00am

 Rossan: Tues 16th Dec
 7.00pm

 Aughavas: Wed 17th Dec
 10.00am

Aughavas: Wed 17th Dec 7.00pm St. Joseph's National School Carol Service, All Welcome.

Cloone: Thurs 18th Dec 10.00am Aughavas: Fri 19th Dec 10.00am

Cloone: Sat 20th Dec 8.00pm Anne Ball, Drumkeeran, 1st Anniversary

Cloone: Sun 21st Dec 10.00am John & Maggie Mc Keon, Halls.

Aughavas: Sun 21st Dec 11.30am Eddie & Mary Heslin & their son Michael, Druminbawn.

Tom & Mary Ann Mc Loughlin, Carrickavoher. Tom & Julia

O' Reilly & Sean J. & Michael O' Reilly.

Rossan Rosary every Sunday morning at 9.15am.

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

Cloone - Tuesday's from 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm

Christmas Confessions

Monday 22nd December- Confessions in Gortletteragh @ 7.00pm Monday 22nd December- Confessions in Aughavas @ 8.00pm Tuesday 23rd December- Confessions in Cloone @ 7.00pm Tuesday 23rd December- Confessions in Mohill @ 8.00pm

Cloone Choir practice for Christmas Wednesday 17th December @ 8.30pm. The Cloone Choir are seeking new members and would be delighted if you could join us.

Cloone Parish Pastoral Council meeting on Monday 15th December @8.30pm.

Aughavas Men's Shed, Aughavas Men's Shed are holding their annual Coffee Morning/Kindler sale on Sunday December 21st 2025 in the club rooms at Aughavas GAA park starting at 12 noon. This year funds are being raised to purchase a new Defibrillator for the Parish. Please support.

Cloone Vintage Tractor Christmas Fun Run will take place on next Sunday 14th December 2025. Assembly point- Cloone GAA Pitch @ 10.30am with departure at 11.30am. Registration for adults €20, Children €15. A bacon & cabbage or sausage & chips if required will be served @ 1pm in Cloone Community Centre. Booking is essential to avoid disappointment. Call/text Mick on 085 1327601 to confirm your attendance by Friday 12th December at the latest. All money raised after expenses will go towards Cloone Defibrillation Group. Spot prizes and voluntary donations will be greatly appreciated for this worthy cause.

The Department of Education and Youth has launched an important survey, inviting parents, guardians, staff, and board members to express their views on the future of our primary schools. I urge all parents, principals, staff, and board members to take a few moments to complete the "Have Your Say" survey before the closing date of 16th December 2025. If you do not vote you are giving others the right to decide the future of your school. The survey is accessed at http://www.gov.ie/primaryschoolsurvey Please be aware that this is not a general survey. It is school specific. You fill it in by giving your Eircode. The Eircode is used to identify your local school. When you fill in the survey either as a parent using an Eircode, or as a member of staff or member of the BOM using a school pin number, the results will determine the future of your school.

Bingo continues every Wednesday night at 8.30 in Cloone Community Centre. Extra prizes on offer for the month of December. Christmas bingo Sunday 28th at 3.00 December. Please support.

Parish Calendar for 2026: Copies of the Calendar are available in the Church Porches. You are welcome to take extra for people who cannot attend Church and for family members who are living abroad.

The children from **St. Joseph's N.S.** will be taking part in a **carol service in the church on the 17th December at 7pm**. Everyone is welcome to come along. There'll be refreshments in the school afterwards, thanks to the Parents' Association.

Blessing of a Christmas Tree

Lord God, let your blessing come upon us as we illumine this tree. May the light and cheer it gives be a sign of the joy that fills our hearts. May all who delight in this tree come to the knowledge and joy of salvation. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Forgiving Love

Dear brothers and sisters, in our catechesis on the Jubilee theme of 'Christ our Hope,' we continue to reflect on Jesus' passion, death and resurrection by considering his forgiving love. Despite his betrayal, Jesus loves his disciples until the end: he washes their feet, and even offers a morsel of bread to his betrayer in one last attempt to demonstrate that love. This morsel, in fact, signifies that God does everything possible to reach us in order to offer his love and forgiveness. While never denying that evil exists or acting as if bad things do not happen in this world, the example of Jesus shows us that true forgiveness does not wait for contrition but is offered first as a gift. When we experience wounds and betrayal, let us ask for the grace to offer true forgiveness, even when we feel misunderstood and abandoned, or even when it seems to be in vain. In this way, may we know the freedom and peace that comes from a loving and forgiving heart.

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! Offertory Collection: (7th Dec) Aughavas €540.00

(6th/7th Dec) **Cloone €680.00**