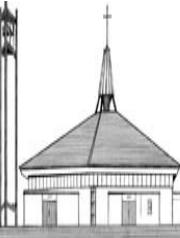


Aughavas & Cloone Parishes



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1st Feb 2026

Feast of St Brigid



Masses:

Aughavas: Sat 31st Jan 7.00pm Vincent Kenny and his parents Tom and Ellen, and his sister Eileen.

Cloone: Sun 1st Feb 10.00am Feast of St. Brigid. Ceremony of Light for boys and girls from Fatima National School, Cloone, who are preparing for Confirmation. Blessing of St. Brigid's Crosses

Aughavas: Sun 1st Feb 11.30am Frank and Margaret Kilkenny, Bundera.
 Michael Mc Girr, Camber. Blessing of St. Brigid's Crosses.

Cloone: Mon 2nd Feb 10.00am The Presentation of the Lord. Mass with blessing of candles.
 Please leave candles in Mary's Church, Cloone, Sunday afternoon or early on Monday morning.

Cloone: Tues 3rd Feb 10.00am St. Blaise. Mass with Blessing of throats.

Aughavas: Tues 3rd Feb 8.00pm St. Blaise. Mass with Blessing of throats. Patrick & Mary Mc Hugh, Diffin, John & Annie O' Reilly and the Lavery Family, Aughavas.

Cloone: Wed 4th Feb 10.00am

Cloone: Thurs 5th Feb 10.00am Pro. Populo.

Aughavas: Fri 6th Feb 10.00am

Aughavas: Sat 7th Feb 7.00pm

Cloone: Sun 8th Feb 10.00am

Aughavas: Sun 8th Feb 11.30am. Larry & Peggy Mc Dermott & D.F.M. Drumkerkane. Ceremony of Light for boys and girls from St. Joseph's National School, Aughavas, preparing for Confirmation.

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

Eucharistic Adoration Cloone . Eucharistic Adoration takes place in St Mary's church Cloone from 7pm to 9 pm every Tuesday. The prayer intention for the month of February is "For the church and for vocations to the Priesthood and religious life" We would like to invite and encourage you to come along and spend a short time in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament for this or any other special intention you may have, at this time. More volunteers are also very welcome to join our rota for weekly Eucharistic Adoration.



Lily Kate Fitzpatrick, Drumhalla, was welcomed into the Christian Community in Cloone on 24th January.

Join us for an engaging evening celebrating **Active Age & Community Wellness** in Carrigallen, Monday, February 16th @ 7.30pm Margaret's Corner Carrigallen H12 P744.

St. Joseph's N.S Aughavas Parents Association are organising a 5k walk/run with bake sale and raffle for February 8th! This is a great chance for the whole school community to come together, raise funds and celebrate our wonderful school! Registration for the 5k is from 12pm with 12.30 start. Bake sale and raffle tickets from 12.30. Please come and take part in the event, do the 5k or just have a cuppa and a chat! Any donations for the bake sale and/or raffle are greatly appreciated; please contact any PA member or school staff. Any queries please to Parentsassociationaughavasns@gmail.com

Aughavas ICA meeting this Wednesday night 4th Feb at 8pm in the community centre, new members welcome
 Refreshments served

Fatima N.S. Cloone Enrolment 2026 - We are now accepting enrolments for September 2026. Please email fatimanscloone@gmail.com or telephone 071 9636522 and we will forward enrolment form/pack. Completed forms to be returned to the school together with a copy of child's Birth Certificate by Friday 20th February.

Cloone/Aughavas Community Playschool are now taking bookings for September 2026 enrolments. Contact Mary Moran on 086 8382545 for bookings and enquiries, or call into the playschool in Cloone Community Centre, Monday to Friday 9am- 12pm.

Bishop Paul Connell has sent guidelines for the use of Churches for reposing of Remains. This week we are publishing the first half of this document and next week we will publish the remainder of the document.

In recent months a practice has developed in some parishes around the use of Churches for the Reposing of the Remains of those who have died. This is a practice that usually was held in the home, or in recent years in a funeral home, where family and friends could gather, offer sympathy and support. Some parishes have asked for guidance on the matter, that while every community wishes to support a family at the time of a funeral, others have questioned if a church is the best place for reposing of remains to occur. In the interests of bereaved families in particular, I would like therefore to provide clarity on this issue. In looking at the instruction around the nature of a Christian Burial it is clear that the tradition of three stations and two processional routes are at the heart of the ritual, as celebrated over the years. Those three places being; the home, the church, and the place of committal. Each hold their particular meaning that the Christian believes in the understanding of death itself. There is a personal element in the home, the community prayer in the church, and the placing in the care of God in the committal. Between each of these there is a procession, which highlights that each of our lives is a pilgrimage to eternal rest. None of these are purely functional, but hold significance, both in the comfort that they bring and in the faith that they profess. In recent years the station at the home has, quite often taken place in a funeral home, and then from there to the church, and place of committal. However, the use of a church in a manner that makes it like a funeral home breaks this practice and is not faithful to the tradition that we hold. The element that takes place in the church should always be in the context of faith and worship, as this is the nature and purpose of each church. It is a sign and symbol of the Lord's presence in the community, and the place where the Blessed Sacrament is reserved. This point is important for all those who use a church outside the celebration of the liturgy. I am directing that in parishes where the practice of remains reposing in the church has not begun, that these parishes do not introduce the practice. For parishes where it has occurred, I am directing that the practice be discontinued as and from 9th February 2026, and I am requesting the parish communities involved to look at other possibilities within the area for hosting this station of the funeral rites. The use of Parish halls or other parish facilities is perfectly in order.

Offertory Collection: (Jan24th/25th) **Aughavas** €805.00 (25th Jan) **Cloone** €625.00