



Aughavas & Cloone Parishes

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Corpus Christi

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Masses

Cloone: Sat. 13th June. 8.00 pm. Mary Ford, Ballykiltyfea & D.M. of the Ford Family.

Aughavas: Sun. 14th June. 11.30 am. Maureen Moran and Hugh & Mary Moran and
Mary Galligan, Melican.

Cloone: Mon. 15th June. 10.00 am. Pro Populo.

Cloone: Tues. 16th June. 10.00 am.

Cloone: Thurs. 18th June. 10.00 am.

Cloone: Fri. 19th June. 10.00 am. **Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.**

Cloone: Sat. 20th June. 8.00 pm. Patrick & Katie Beirne, Cornagher.

Aughavas: Sun. 21st June. 11.30 am. Pro Populo.

Cloone Parish Pastoral Council Meeting in St. Mary's Church, Cloone on Monday 15th June at 8.00 pm.

Aughavas Parish Pastoral Council Meeting in St. Joseph's Church, Aughavas on Tuesday 16th June at 8.30 pm.

Return to Public Celebration of Mass: The return to public celebration of Mass will begin on the weekend of 4th & 5th July. The Irish Catholic Bishops have produced a document outlining steps which should be undertaken in each Parish to ensure that the preparations in each Church are efficiently and effectively planned. These steps will be discussed at the meetings of the 2 Pastoral Councils this week. In the implementation of the steps to be taken each week, volunteers will be needed each week.

Corpus Christi—The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ:

Pope Benedict XVI once described today's feast as 'a day on which heaven and earth work together.' He said: 'Corpus Christi is an expression of faith in God, in love, in the fact that God is love. Love does not consume: it gives and, in giving, receives.'

This is a wonderful way to approach Communion. When we receive the body and blood of Jesus, it is a gift of love. But if we keep this gift for ourselves, and do not give in return, that is not love. The disciples in today's Gospel have a small amount of food, five loaves and two fish - maybe enough to feed themselves, at a stretch. But Jesus had a very different idea.

Notice that Jesus hands this gift over to them to distribute among the hungry crowd. It is the disciples' responsibility to feed the hungry, to give to those in need, and to love the very crowds that they had earlier suggested sending away.

The Feast of Corpus Christi reminds us of our need to be in communion with the whole body of Christ. There is room for everyone at the banquet, especially the poor and the hungry, and it is up to us to help those in need. Having received this gift of love, we are expected to pass it on. There is more than enough bread for everyone.

'If there is hunger anywhere in the world, then our celebration of the Eucharist is somehow incomplete everywhere in the world... We cannot properly receive the Bread of Life unless at the same time we give the bread of life to those in need, wherever and whoever they may be.'

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Mass in Cloone and Aughavas: A webcam has been installed in St. Mary's Church, Cloone and in St. Joseph's Church, Aughavas. From this Saturday 13th June, Mass will be in Cloone at 8.00 pm on Saturday evenings, and in Aughavas on Sunday mornings at 11.30 am Masses will be streamed live at these times on Churchtv.ie. Mass will also be available on some week mornings at 10.00 am in Cloone. The times of the weekly morning Masses will be published in the weekly Newsletter. For recordings see youtube link below livestream.

Galilee Spirituality Centre: Online Retreat with Sr. Nellie McLaughlin: Light: The Gift of Divine Radiance. Those who met Nellie at our recent Advent Retreat will be very pleased to hear that she is coming back for a free online summer retreat in June. This has two phases. One is a recorded session which will be on our website, 18th June, and the other will be a 'live' session with Nellie on 20th June at 12.00. Booking will be needed for the live session so we can send you the zoom link: info@galilee.ie.

A Community of Prayer: We gather as a virtual community of prayer each Thursday from 9.00—9.30 pm to pray for all affected by the current pandemic. We are also continuing our Taizé Prayer on the last Friday of each month from 9.00—10.00 pm. We invite you to join with us at those times, and to let us know you are there, and anything you would like us to hold in prayer.

Pro-Life Campaign: To help people learn more about communicating the pro-life message, an online communications workshop will take place on Wednesday 24th June from 8.30 pm to 9.30 pm. Information available at info@prolifecampaign.ie.

Offerings: Since 10th May some people have put offerings in the letter box of the Parish House in Cloone. These offerings were counted and lodged last week. Cloone Offertory €990.00; Cloone Pentecost Dues €925.00; Cloone Shrine €285.00. Aughavas Offertory €1,045.00; Aughavas Pentecost Dues €1,040.00; Aughavas Shrine €420.00.

Trócaire for the Parishes of Cloone and Aughavas amounted to €1,400.00. Thanks to all who have contributed. If anyone has offerings left aside, you may put them in the letter box of the Parish House in Cloone.