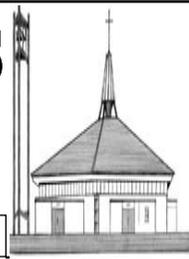


# Aughavas & Cloone Parishes

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## 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Pray for** the happy repose of the soul of Joe Gilfillan, Kilmore, Co. Roscommon (son of the late Thomas Gilfillan, Kilmore and Aughavas) who died recently.

### Masses:

**Cloone:** Sat. 4th July. 8.00 pm. Pro Populo.  
**Cloone:** Sun. 5th July. 10.00 am.  
**Aughavas:** Sun. 5th July. 11.30 am. Pro Populo.  
**Cloone:** Mon. 6th July. 10.00 am.  
**Cloone:** Tues. 7th July. 10.00 am. Bernard Cuningham, Doogra, Kilmakenny. M.M.  
**Cloone:** Fri. 10th July. 10.00 am.  
**Cloone:** Sat. 11th July. 8.00 pm.  
**Cloone:** Sun. 12th July. 10.00 am.  
**Aughavas:** 12th July 11.30 am.

**Return to Masses in St. Mary's Church, Cloone:** We would like to appeal for volunteers to sanitise the Church and help with stewarding. Please contact any member of the Pastoral Council. Eucharistic Ministers will distribute Holy Communion in the seats. Those who wish to receive Holy Communion will stand. Holy Communion will be distributed outside, if weather is clement or in the porch if weather is inclement. In leaving the Church after Mass, please leave gradually so as to ensure a two meter social distance. When outside, please maintain social distance.

Those who come to Mass and cannot gain entry may stand in the Church yard or remain in their cars. Two extra speakers have been installed outside to carry the sound a greater distance from the Church.

The offertory collection will be taken up in the porches as you enter. Altar servers will not resume their duties at this time. Weekday Masses will continue to be offered privately for the moment. The reason for this is that we would not have enough people to sanitise the Church before and after Mass, if we had a congregation.

There is seating accommodation in Cloone for 38 people.

**Aughavas Parish Pastoral Council Meeting** on Tuesday 7th July at 8.30 pm.

**Funerals:** Funerals in Cloone and Aughavas will not be held on Sundays for the duration of the Covid 19 pandemic.

**First Friday Visits for the Parishes of Cloone and Aughavas:** First Friday visits to the housebound will resume in August. First Friday visits will take place when the parishioner invites the Priest to call. Fr. Tiernan will not call to any housebound person unless that person or a family member asks him to call.

## Return to Mass in St. Joseph's church Aughavas.

- To book a place at Mass next Sunday July 12<sup>th</sup> please contact Fr. Tiernan on Wednesday July 8<sup>th</sup> between 10am and 3pm on 071 9636016. Our reason for this booking system is to prevent people from turning up in the expectation of getting a seat and finding that all seats have been taken. Places are limited to two persons per household in an effort to give as many people as possible the opportunity to attend Mass.
- Mass attendees are requested to observe current social distancing guidelines when entering and exiting the church. Mass attendees are requested not to congregate outside the church after Mass and to leave the church grounds promptly.
- Holy Communion will only be given in the hand. Those receiving Holy Communion will stand up at their seat and the priest or Eucharistic minister will circulate through the church. Eucharistic ministers will distribute Holy Communion from the front porch to those who remain outside the church listening to Mass.
- People who have to remain outside the church will be able to listen to Mass as we have installed new outdoor speakers. There is no obligation to attend Sunday Mass for the time being. Mass from St. Joseph's church will be streamed live each Sunday at 11.30am on [www.churchtv.ie/aughavas](http://www.churchtv.ie/aughavas).
- We are appealing for more volunteers to assist with cleaning and stewarding at each Sunday Mass. We intend to setup a rota to limit the demands on those who volunteer.
- Altar servers will not resume their duties at this time.

*All Masses in Cloone and Aughavas are live streamed on [churchtv.ie](http://churchtv.ie).*

## Compassion with those who are wounded and compassion for ourselves:

Carl Jung, who was a psychologist, wrote a letter to a woman who was a Christian and in it he said something very important.

Jung said there was something very beautiful about what the woman believed, that is, when Christians saw somebody hungry or thirsty, they saw Christ.

When they saw somebody naked in the street and clothed them, they saw Christ.

When they visited somebody in prison or in hospital, they saw Christ.

When they welcomed a stranger, they welcomed Christ. But, he went on. What he did not understand was that they did not seem to see the poor wounded part inside themselves.

Could they not see Jesus there? Why did they always have to see Jesus outside themselves.

How was it that they could not welcome the darkness that was in them so as to let the light come into the darkness and shine in it? Did they not see that inside them there was somebody hungry and thirsty, imprisoned in their own fears, a stranger who reacted in unexpected ways, an unforeseen source of anger or depression? Did they not see that there was somebody sick inside them, somebody hated, poor, broken and needing to be clothed? Did they not see that Christ was hidden in their own brokenness?

Can it be, that we can only enter into compassion with those who are vulnerable and wounded if we enter into compassion with ourselves.

**Aughavas: Lenten Alms** €210.00;  
**Aughavas Holy Land** €65.00;

**Cloone Lenten Alms** € 80.00.  
**Cloone Holy Land** €25.00.