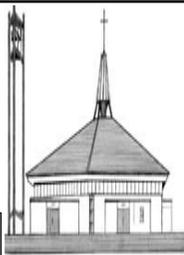


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24th Oct. 2021

MISSION SUNDAY

Pray for the happy repose of the soul of Jim Kiernan, brother of the late Brigid McNamara, Camber, whose funeral took place in Leixlip.

Masses

Cloone: Sat. 23rd Oct. 8.00 pm.
Cloone: Sun. 24th Oct. 10.00 am. Pro. Populo.
Aughavas: Sun. 24th Oct. 11.30 am.
Cloone: Mon. 25th Oct. 10.00 am.
Rossan: Tues. 26th Oct. 8.00 pm. Anna Mae Williams, Rossan.
Aughavas: Wed. 27th Oct. 10.00 am. Kathleen O'Connor (nee Mitchell), Camber.
and Ambrose O'Connor & D. M. of the Mitchell and Vogel families.
Aughavas: Thurs. 28th Oct. 10.00 am. Freda Brady, Coroneary.
Aughavas: Fri. 29th Oct. 8.00 pm. Paddy Joe McKiernan & D.F.M., Drumkerrib.
Cloone: Sat. 30th Oct. 8.00 pm.
Cloone: Sun. 31st Oct. 10.00 am.
Aughavas: Sun. 31st Oct. 11.30 am.

Eucharistic Adoration in Aughavas— Monday's from 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

Eucharistic Adoration in Cloone—Tuesday's from 8.00 pm to 10.00 pm.

Aughavas Parish Pastoral Council Meeting in the church on Tuesday 26th October at 8.40 pm. A full attendance of Members will be appreciated.

Cloone Parish Pastoral Council Meeting in the church on Wednesday 27th October at 8.00 pm. A full attendance of Members will be appreciated.

A **Mass** for the deceased Members and Staff of Leitrim County Council will be held in St. Mary's Church, Carrick-on-Shannon on Monday 1st November 2021 at 8.00 pm.

Mission Sunday

World Mission Sunday is a day for Catholics worldwide to recommit themselves to the universal mission of the Church through prayer and sacrifice. In his message for World Mission Sunday, Pope Francis invites us to recall with gratitude all those men and women who by their testimony of life help us to renew our baptismal commitment to be generous and joyful apostles of the Gospel.

For us in Ireland, this is a day to remember all those who left Irish shores to bring the Good News of God's love to people in faraway lands. Many of these died young. There are few

Irish families who do, or did not have a missionary priest, religious or lay person among their members. These missionaries knew that no matter what the sacrifice involved, they could not but speak of the great love of God which they themselves had seen and heard. They gave their lives to proclaim through word and action the Good News of God's reign of peace, justice, and right relations to peoples everywhere. Irish missionaries abroad are fewer in number nowadays, but this work continues, and it is helped through the prayer and support of each one of us.

The World Mission Sunday collection in every Catholic Church throughout the world is sent to the Pope's universal Solidarity Fund. This fund supports missionary activity in over 1,100 dioceses, mostly in Africa, Asia, and Latin America, many of which are places ravaged by poverty, conflict, and insecurity. The fund builds schools, hospitals, churches; trains seminarians, religious, and catechists and supports programmes for the spiritual and physical well-being of men, women, and children in diverse situations of need, serving people of all faiths and none.

This World Mission Sunday we are encouraged to deepen our personal encounter with the Lord who calls and loves us, and to reflect on our own personal contribution to sharing the Good News. We are invited to remember the needs of the universal Church in our prayer, to pray for missionaries and an increase in missionary vocations, and to reach out with greater love, generosity, and courage to those on the peripheries of our family, our church, our society, and our world today. May the compassionate love of God touch our hearts and make us all true missionary disciples. Thank you for your prayers and generosity.

Sr. Kathleen McGarvey OLA

Religious Services from 22nd October 2021: The Government issued the following, on 19th October 2021, in relation to places of worship: "Religious services and weddings can proceed without capacity limits but with all other protective measures remaining in place". (Government Press Release 19th October 2021).

It is important that we take a cautious approach to further reopening.

The following protective measures are recommended:

- (a) Encourage those with symptoms not to attend church.
- (b) Have sanitisers available at the doors.
- (c) Social distancing to continue.
- (d) One way systems to continue.
- (e) Wearing of face coverings to continue.
- (f) The celebrant and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to wear face coverings and sanitise hands before and after distribution.
- (g) No handshake as a sign of peace.
- (h) Communion on the hand only.
- (i) Ventilation of the church.
- (j) Choirs may sing while observing the guidelines of the HPSC - have a socially distant performance following risk assessment.

As we are recommended to continue with social distancing, and as the number of people testing positive is high, we will continue with our present restrictions and practices in the church. There are meetings of both Parish Pastoral Councils this week. If you have any views on how we should proceed with easing of restrictions, please make them known to any member of the Pastoral Council.

Offertory Collection: (10th Oct.) **Aughavas** € 390.00; (9th/10th Oct.) **Cloone** € 490.00.