

Quin Clooney Maghera Parish Notes

August 9th/10th 2025

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Date		Anniversaries	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers	Tellers
Sat August 9 th	Clooney 7.00pm	No Intention.	Tom Larkin	John Condon	
Sun August 10 th	Maghera 9.30am	No Intention.	Catherine O'Halloran	Marie Moloney	
Sun August 10 th	Quin 11.00am	Bridget O'Halloran, Ballyhickey & Deceased Family Members.	Pauline Hogan & Pat Philips	Pauline Hogan	Mary Culligan & Bridie O'Brien
Sat August 16 th	Clooney 7.00pm	Vincent O'Shaughnessy, Clooney. (First Anniversary) Tony, Aidan & Ann Mc Carthy, Toonagh.	Frances Earls	Frances Earls	
Sun August 17 th	Maghera 9.30am	No Intention.	Mary Whelan	Eileen Delaney	
Sun August 17 th	Quin 11.00am	No Intention.	Deirdre Meaney & Colette Collieran	Mary Liddy	Ann Mc Namara & Mary Moloney

Daily Mass: Monday to Friday at 10am in St Mary's Church, Quin.

Friday 15th August is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (A holyday). Mass at 10am in St Mary's Church Quin.

RIP: Sean Torpey, Barefield, Father of Una Torpey, MaighDara, Quin.

Weekly Contributions: Amount Collected for the past week €1,000. The Parish Finance Committee thank you for your weekly contributions for the upkeep of the Parish. Contributions can also be left in the parish office, or alternatively you can use the Donate Button on the Killaloe Diocese website. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

Recent Baptisms: We welcome to the Christian Community - **Saorlaith Kate McAleer** who recently received the Sacrament of Baptism.

Farewell to Fr Martin Blake: This coming week will see changes in our Abbey Pastoral Area as we bid farewell to Fr Martin Blake who takes up a new position in Kildysart. For the past three years, Fr Martin, along with his fellow priests in the Pastoral Area has provided daily Mass and Sacramental support to our parish. At this time of new beginning for him, we wish him every blessing as we express gratitude for his ministry in our parish.

Knock Novena: The National Novena begins in Knock on this Wednesday and concludes on Thursday 21st August, the feast of the Apparition. Two sessions daily at 3pm and 8pm with plenty of other activities in Knock during each day.

Feast of St Clare: This Monday 11th August, we celebrate the feast of St Clare, the Foundress of the Poor Clare Sisters. Our Diocese has enjoyed the blessing of the presence of the Poor Clares for the last 68 years at their monastery in Francis Street Ennis. During his holidays last month, Pope Leo visited the local Poor Clare Monastery where he took the opportunity to pray with the Sisters and he told them "It is good that the church knows your life, for it is a precious testimony." At the opening of the Poor Clares Monastery in Ennis in 1957, the late Bishop of Killaloe described the monastery as a "power house of prayer". 68 years later, the ten sisters in the community continue to pray for all of us every day. St Clare, pray for us.

Prayer for those waiting for exam results: Leaving Cert results will be released on Friday 22nd August. In these days of waiting, we pray for and with our students. Loving God, calm the anxious hearts of those waiting for exam results. Grant them peace that as the days approaches for results. Help them to trust that their worth lies not in a grade, but in your unchanging love. Give them courage to accept whatever comes and wisdom to see this moment as just one step in their unique journey. Surround them with your comfort and support.

Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Bishop Fintan will lead our Diocesan Autumn Jubilee Pilgrimage to Lourdes from Monday 29th September to Saturday 4th October, direct from Shannon Airport. The remaining seats can be booked with joewalstours.ie or tel; 01 2410800.

Senior Information Event: Carrigoran Day Centre on Friday 22nd August from 1pm to 6pm. Participating organisations taking part include Age Friendly, Alcoholics Anonymous, Alone, Cardiac Rehab, Citizens Information, Clarecare, Community Connection, Community Registered General Nurse, Cregg Medical, Family Carers Ireland, Gort Foot Centre, Home Support, Public Health Nurse, Sage Advocacy, Reflexology and many more.

Daniel O'Connell: 250 years ago, Daniel O'Connell was born in Derrynane, Co. Kerry on the 6th August 1775. Best known for his election as an MP for Clare in 1828 and bringing about the Act of Catholic Emancipation in 1829 which gave Catholics the freedom to practice their religion. This weekend as we celebrate the life and achievements of Daniel O'Connell, we thank God for the freedom of being able to practice and live our faith without persecution or fear.

Quin Heritage Day: Fun for all the family. On Saturday, August 16th, from 10.00am to 5pm in our local hall, Quin Heritage Group are hosting an exciting day of events for all the family. Vintage cars and machinery as well as a Blacksmith's display will be outside. Indoors will be an artefacts table, old photos, a model train set, circus memorabilia, and much more. The village walk is 10.30am and at 11.30am, there's a talk on Quin Friary. At 12.45 we host a 'Down Memory Lane' Session where parishioners we interviewed come together to share valuable memories of times past. In the afternoon, Ennis historian Martin Breen presents his findings on Castles and Tower houses in the area. We look forward to your support and wish to thank local clubs who are helping out on the day.

Lost & Found: A sum of money has been found in Quin Village, please contact the Parish Office.

ABC Playschool / Montessori: (situated on the school grounds of Scoil na Mainistreach, Quin, Dangan) are now accepting enrolments for 2 free years of ECCE preschool (2025 & 2026) commencing Thursday, August 28th. Contact: Mary 087-2413869.

Quin Summer Camp: Come join us for 5 fun filled days - August 11th to 15th or enjoy a Day Pass. 10am to 3pm daily in Quin School. Preschool children to 13-year-old boys & girls catered for! All welcome. Daily fun with Art, Crafts, Sports, Musical Theatre, Yoga, Drama, Dance & Games. Contact Theresa for info & bookings at quinsummercamp@gmail.com

Lotto Draw 7th August 2025: Jackpot: €20,000. Numbers drawn: 15; 26; 27; 32. No winner. €40 Winners: Caroline Kelly, Mary Quinn, Anne Porter (Village Inn), James Duggan (Spancilhill), Bernard Leamy (Tulla). Next draw - Clubhouse 14th August 2025. Jackpot: €20,000. Tickets available online www.clooneyquingaa.ie - purchase cut-off time 5.00pm. Also available in Gala, Quin Post Office, and Clooney Stores - purchase cut-off time 1.00pm. We thank you for your continued support. Go raibh maith agaibh as bhur dtacaíocht leanúnach.

Split the Pot: Congratulations to this week's Split the Pot winner Mary Cronin who wins €69. Next draw takes place on Tuesday, August 12th. Envelopes for split the pot can be filled in, at Gala, The Abbey Tavern, The Village Inn, Abbey Express Laundry, Quin Post Office, A Taste of Quin, Varden's Pharmacy and The Pantry Cafe. "Be in to win".

Newsletter Deadline: The cut-off time for submission of notices for inclusion in the newsletter is Tuesday at 5pm. Notices can be emailed to quinparish@gmail.com

Thought for the Week: Don't let mistakes of the past mar your vision for the future. Focus on the good to come.