

Quin Clooney Maghera Parish Notes

9th/ 10th December 2023

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Date		Anniversaries	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers	Tellers
Sat Dec 9th	Clooney 7.00pm	PJ, Ann, Paul & Mackie Keogh, Carrahan Robbie McMahon, Spencilhil	Bridie McNamara	Linda Hale	
Sun Dec 10th	Maghera 9.30am	No Intention	Catherine O'Halloran	Stella Corbett	
Sun Dec 10th	Quin 11am	Maureen Quinn, Moohane, 1st Anniversary Joan Clune, Danganbrack , Monthsmind John French, Kilmurry Tom McGrath, Knappogue	Pat Carrig & Tom Frain	Aideen Flynn	Neeta Enright & Kay Sheehan
Sat Dec 16th	Clooney 7.00pm	Patrick Liddy, Muckinish	Mary O'Connor	Mary O'Connor	
Sun Dec 17th	Maghera 9.30am	James Corbett, Maghera	Mary Whelan	Catherine O'Halloran	
Sun Dec 17th	Quin 11am	Carmel Cunningham & her father Morty Cunningham, Knocknagogue May, Jack & Tom Leyden, Ballyhannon	Pauline Hogan & Pat Philip	Pat Philips	Kay Shaughnessy & Antoinette Leamy

Please remember in your prayers Jim McMahon, Clarecastle, brother of Maura Page, Quin Gardens

Daily Mass: Mon - Fri 10 am St Mary's Church Quin.

Weekly Contributions: Amount Collected **€845**. The Parish Council 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.

Children's Liturgy: Team 5, 10th Dec Brian O'Connor, Fionnuala Rooney & Angela O'Gorman, Team 6, 17th Dec , Rachel Lynch ,Johanne Nihill & Anna Corry.

Updated Readers and Eucharistic Minister Listings- Quin: We thank all the Readers and Eucharistic Ministers who volunteer each Sunday. Up to date lists are now available for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers for Quin Church for 2024. Sheets are available in the Church Sacristy. Please collect after Mass.

Priests Christmas Collection: The Christmas Collection for the priests who serve the parish will be taken up at all Masses in the parish this weekend. As one of only four appeals in the year for your support, your generosity is very much appreciated. Envelopes are available in your box or at the Church porches.

Giving Tree: Unfortunately this year we will not be able to facilitate our annual 'Giving Tree' whereby parishioners donate food items to families in need at Christmas Time. If however you would like to donate money or vouchers for food stores you can do so by placing them in an envelope and dropping them to the Parish house or place your donation in an envelope marked ClareCare in the box at the front of our Churches. Last year vouchers were distributed to 158 families by ClareCare. All money/vouchers donated will be given to families in need via Clarecare.

Ecumenical Carol Service: The annual Carol Service for the Abbey Pastoral Area takes place on Sunday next 17th December in the Cathedral. All are welcome to join the combined choirs of Ennis Parish and Ennis Brass Band.

Reconciliation Service: The opportunity of individual confession in preparation for Christmas will be available at the Abbey Pastoral Area Reconciliation Service to be held on Monday 18th December at 7.30pm in the Cathedral. Extra priests will be available on the night.

The Crib at Christmas: This year we celebrate 800 years of the Crib. Greccio located in central Italy is the location where St Francis of Assisi created the first Christmas Crib in the Year 2023. Since then, nativity scenes began to emerge in homes and churches in celebration of the birth of Jesus. This wonderful Franciscan tradition continues to this day as we once again build and create the scenes of the first Christmas night. The Crib that you will see in the Church and the Crib that you too will have in your home, is all because a young man in Assisi, 800 years ago decided that Christmas should be real, simple, down to earth. This is exactly what the Crib does, it brings God down to earth, to us. This Christmas as we celebrate 800 years of the first Crib, may the Crib in your home not be an ornament but as an opportunity to bring Christ back into Christmas

Bambenelli Sunday: We invite you to bring your figure of baby Jesus to Mass next weekend for a blessing of the baby Jesus figure. This tradition known as Bambenelli Sunday is celebrated on the third Sunday of Advent known as Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete is the Latin word for rejoice and this Sunday is the time for us to rejoice because Jesus came and died so that we may live forever with him

Festival of Cribs: Next weekend on Saturday and Sunday St Brigid's Church Liscannor will hold their annual Advent Festival of Cribs with over 500 Cribs from all over the World on display. Admission is free and it is very well worth visiting.

The Glenstal Advent Talks are at 4.30pm on Sunday 3rd, 10th and 17th December in the Abbey Library. They are followed by refreshments and the opportunity to attend sung Evening Prayer in the Abbey Church at 6pm. The talks are available afterwards from the website as recordings. Glenstal Advent Talks are at 4.30pm Sunday 3rd, 10th, 17th December in the Abbey Library (V94TK61). Talks are recorded and will be available shortly afterwards from the Abbey website.

Accord: Do you need support? Individual and couple counselling available in Accord Ennis and Accord Nenagh. Everyone welcome.

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SVP Annual Appeal : "Many Families will face impossible choices this Christmas. You can help. Please support the SVP Annual Appeal by giving locally. Ways to donate: Online:<https://www.svp.ie/fundraiser/clare-christmas-appeal-2023/> By phone: 0818 176 176 and nominate your local area By post: to SVP, Vincent's Shop, 86 Parnell Street, Ennis. Cheques made payable to 'Society of St. Vincent de Paul' and nominate your local area. Thank you in anticipation of your generosity"

The Messenger: For many, many years, this pocket-sized magazine has been at the heart of Catholic Church life in Ireland. Published by the Jesuit Order, this little gem has - down the years - provided reassurance for our parents and grandparents in the beliefs and practices of their Catholic faith. We encourage families throughout the parish to re-engage with the Messenger. A year's subscription costs only €24 and the magazine is delivered each month. For further details, contact Joe Quinlivan, Main St., Quin, tel. (065) 6825643.

St Joseph's Secondary School Tulla presents Electrifying Production of 'Grease - The Musical' : St Joseph's Secondary School, Tulla is thrilled to announce an exciting and electrifying production of the timeless classic "Grease: The Musical." This highly anticipated event will showcase the incredible talents of St Joseph's students, bringing the beloved characters and iconic songs to life on stage. Event Details: Title: Grease: The Musical. Location: St Joseph's Secondary School, Tulla Date and Time: Wednesday 13th, Thursday 14th and Friday 15th December. Doors open 6:45pm, Curtains raised at 7:30pm. Tickets are €15 available from sjt.ie, or from O'Halloran's Shop & Donlon's Super Valu in Tulla. Concession prices available for Wednesday's performance

Christmas Mass Times:

Normal weekend Mass times for the fourth Sunday of Advent.

Saturday 23rd December - 7pm St John XXIII Church, Clooney

Sunday 24th December - 9.30am St Stephen's Church Maghera - 11am St Mary's Church Quin

Christmas Eve -7pm St John XXIII Church, Clooney - 7.30pm St Mary's Church Quin

Christmas morning - 9.30am St Stephen's Church Maghera - 11am St Mary's Church Quin

Taekwondo Split the pot : Total Pot €138. Congratulations to this week's winner Sean Cusack who wins €69. Next draw takes place on Tuesday December 12th Envelopes for split the pot can be filled in Gala, The Abbey Tavern, The Village Inn, Abbey Express Laundry, Quin