Quin Clooney Maghera Parish Notes December 13th 2020

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Masses:		Anniversaries:	Eucharistic Ministers:	Readers:
Sat. Dec.12th	Clooney 7.00pm	Robbie McMahon, Spancilhill Mary Hogan, Spancilhill	Catherine Ryan	Orla Hanrahan
Sun Dec.13th	Maghera 9:30am	Maryann & Michael O'Halloran Derryhalla	Stella Corbett	Maureen Corbett
Sun Dec 13th	Quin 11:00am	Con, Kathleen, Mary & Patrick O'Callaghan Creevagh Inten- tions of Senior Citizens Quin, Clooney, Maghera	Ann Lynch & Joe Brennan	Joanne Molloy
Mon Dec.14th	Quin 10am	Michael Spellacy Ballyhannon & Drumcliff		
Tues.—Fri. Dec.15th— 18th	Quin 10am	Private Intentions		
Sat. Dec.19th	Clooney 7.00pm	Vera O'Brien, Corbally; Ann, PJ, Paul & Mackie Keogh, Carrahan	Mary O'Connor	Mary O'Connor
Sun Dec.20th	Maghera 9:30am	James Corbett, Maghera	Mary Whelan	Elaine Corbett
Sun Dec 20th	Quin 11:00am	Mai, Jack & Tom Leyden, Bally- hannon; Timmy Scanlan, Quin Gardens	Kay O'Shaughnessy & Pauline Clune	Aideen Flynn

Daily Mass: (Quin) Mon-Fri: 10am

Rest in Peace: Sheila Power Newmarket-on-Fergus, Sister of Aggie McCarthy, Knappogue; Sean Histon of Cappagh Kilrush who died recently, Father of Grainne Brennan Madaragh Quin.

Weekly Contributions: Amount Collected from Dec.4th-Dec.9th €1375. Contributions can be left in the box at front door of Churches or dropped off at the Parish Office during this time of restrictions. The Parish Council continues to thank all who leave contributions to the Parish Office at this time. Your generosity is much appreciated.

On-line Donations to Parish: In these times of Government restrictions on attendances at public masses, many people who are unable to attend church services are interested in contributing to the support of their parish or their priests. Sincere thanks to all our parishioners who have contributed during this time. It is now possible to make a contribution by credit or debit card directly to your parish using the Diocesan Website – www.killaloediocese.ie. The full contribution as received by the Diocesan website will be fully paid to your parish. Simply go to the Diocesan Website and click on the red "Donate to your Parish" button on the top of the page. You will be invited to select your parish and the parish fund you wish to contribute to. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Priests' Christmas Collection: The fourth and final collection of the year to pay Fr. Tom and the Priests' of the Diocese of Killaloe will be taken up next weekend the 12/13 of December. There is a white envelope with yellow top in your box of envelopes for this collection. If you are not in receipt of envelopes there are extra envelopes in Church porches. We thank you in advance for your generosity to this collection.

Sick and Housebound: Fr. Tom will begin to visit the sick and housebound for Christmas beginning on Dec. 18th. He will ring prior to coming to set a time convenient for you

QUIN CHURCH CHOIR are bringing some festive cheer on Sunday 20th Dec at 6pm with some Carol singing under the Remeberance Tree on the Church grounds all are welcome.

Giving Tree: Due to Covid 19, unfortunately 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 at dropping them to the Parish house by 18th of Dec. All money/vouchers donated will be given to families in need via Clarecare.

Clooney/Spancilhill Tidy Towns have Our In Memory Tree is now in place and if you wish to add your loved ones names to the Tree Ribbons can be got in Clooney Stores and in the Church once services begin.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People: ALONE manages a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

Youth Takeover of Beyond Belief: On Sunday Dec 13th, there will be a youth takeover of Beyond Belief on Clare FM at 9pm. The Meitheal College leaders will host the programme. Highlights of the programme include interviews with Clare Hurling Captain, David Mc Inerney and Writer and former Clare Hurler, Tony Griffin. This takeover comes at the end of the leaders week long fundraising event via their Facebook and Instagram @meithealsmerrymission. This fundraiser is in aid of Happy Feet, Happy Minds and Clare Haven Services. All donations greatly appreciated and accepted through their Go fund me page (can be found on Facebook and Instagram).

GAA Lotto Draw: 10th December 2020. Jackpot: €4,000. Numbers drawn: 2; 12;13; 22. No winner €40 Winners: Aisling Slattery, Cullenagh; Carmel O'Connor, Tubber; Terry Barnes, Parkalough; Betty Shally, Quin; Ina Crowley, Quin. Tickets available online - purchase cut-off time 5.00pm. Tickets now also available in Crowes, Quin Post Office, and Clooney Stores - purchase cut-off time 1.00pm. Next week's draw Online 17th December. Jackpot: €4.200. For all up to date news you can follow us on Facebook, Twitter or visit www.clooneyquingaa.ie. We thank you for your continued support. Go raibh maith agaibh as bhur dtacaíocht leanúnach

Christmas Masses 2020

The Parish of Quin, Clooney, Maghera will have Seven Christmas Masses this year. In previous years there were Five. In previous times our Churches could hold maximum numbers. In this Coronavirus world, however, things are very different but every effort is being made to ensure as many people as possible can attend as safely as possible – with Masses planned for December 24, 25, 26 and 27 that will count as Christmas Mass. Since Masses have been allowed to go ahead in recent weeks, Ushers have been on the door to try ensure that numbers haven't been broken. Mass goers are required to wear a mask in the Church and to use hand sanitiser at designated entry and exit areas. Please observe social distancing between yourselves and members of other households or families..

For the reception of Holy Communion, please make a single file line for the reception of Holy Communion and please keep several pews between yourself and the person in front of you before and after receiving the Body of Christ. Please follow the direction of the Ushers. We encourage everyone to receive Holy Communion in the hand at this time. The whole element of personal responsibility is very important, the same as with people going into restaurants or anywhere else. We owe it to each other to be as careful as we can. Government and NPHET guidelines ask that people do not congregate inside or outside Churches. Once our Churches are full to capacity the following notice will go up on the door:" Due to Social Distancing Restrictions we have now reached CAPACITY for this Mass. We apologise & Hope you understand".

Christmas Mass Times are as follows:

<u>Christmas Eve:</u> St. Mary's, Quin 5pm & 9pm, St. John XXIII, Clooney 7pm & 11pm.

Christmas Day: St. Mary's, Quin 8am & 11am. St. Stephen's, Maghera: 9.30am