Parish of Quin-Clooney-Maghera

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Sunday, 13th March 2016

Fifth Sunday of Lent

ANNIVERSARIES

Sun. 13th Mar. (Quin), 11.0 a.m.
Thurs. 17th Mar. (Maghera), 9.30 a.m.
Thurs. 17th Mar. (Quin), 11.00 a.m.
Sat. 19th Mar. (Quin), 5.00 p.m.

Peter & Ita Doolaghty, Ballyhickey.
John & Patrick O'Halloran, Derryhalla.
Sean Fitzgerald, Aylecotty.
(Month's Mind) **Carrie Clune**, Quin.

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Fr. Michael Mannion, PP** of Clonbur-Cornamona, Co. Galway, who died suddenly last week. He was friend and contemporary of Fr McCormack.

St. Patrick's Day

Thursday next, 17th March. Church Holyday. Mass in the parish as follows:-

CLOONEY – (Vigil Mass)	MAGHERA	QUIN
Wed. 16th – 7.00pm	Thurs. 17th – 9.30am	Thurs. 17th – 11.00am

Mass Schedule (Quin) next week: Monday **5pm**, Tuesday **10am**, & Friday – **5pm**.

(Mass on Tuesday next – 10am – held in connection with National Schools Week. All welcome).

Mass on Wednesday (Clooney) and Thursday (Quin)– as above for St. Patrick's Day

SUNDAY NEXT, 20TH MARCH, IS PALM SUNDAY, THE BEGINNING OF HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday Mass Booklet available at the door as you enter church.
Parish Newsletter published as normal (inserted in Booklet).

Traditional palms - to be blessed during Mass - also available at door.

Pray & Play: Leaders, Sunday, 20th March: [Team6] - *Geraldine DeSousa, Sinead Gardiner, Grainne Brennan.*

Priests Collection: Many thanks for your generous support of the priests of the parish in the collection held last weekend. *(If you had forgotten, your contribution – in the yellow envelope – may be submitted whenever convenient).*

Offertory Donations: *(To meet administration costs, upkeep of parish property, insurance, etc..*
Last week, (5/6th March): **€1025.** Tellers: **Quin.** 20/3/16: - Monica O'Halloran & Carol O'Reilly.

NEXT WEEKEND.....

Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
CLOONEY – 7.00pm Sat. Vigil, 19th March	Kate Murphy	Theresa O'Sullivan
MAGHERA – 9.30am Sunday, 20th March.	Eileen Daly	Catherine O'Halloran
QUIN - 11.00am Sunday, 20th March	Seamus Breheny & Caitlin McNamara	John Culligan, Pat Phillips & Mary O'Halloran

Please note: No Eucharistic Adoration, Quin church, next Thursday – due St. Patrick's Day, or the following Thursday – due to the solemn ceremonies of Holy Week.

Easter Sunday this year, falls on 27th March, two weeks from today, which is unusually early. It is a *movable* feast, varying from year to year, as determined by the different phases of the moon. Since AD 326, Easter occurs on the *first Sunday after the first full moon after the Spring Equinox* (21/22nd March). In year 2014, Easter Sunday fell on 20th April, almost as late as is possible. It should be noted that, this year, clocks will change to *Summer Time* at 1.00am on Easter Morning.

Meeting the Needs of Others: *Trócaire* exists to empower people so that they can determine a better future for themselves. It stands together with men, women and children who regularly face poverty and injustice in their lives. This parish of Quin-Clooney-Maghera has generously supported the work of *Trócaire* over the years. It is hoped to sustain that same support this year. Collection of *Trócaire* contributions commences next Sunday, 20th March. A special contribution envelope (blue) is provided with the Trócaire box, or a mauve-coloured envelope in the parish box.

Parish Sacramental Events 2016

Date	Event	Venue
23rd April 2016	First Holy Communion – Children, Quin/Dangan	Quin Church.
30th April 2016	First Holy Communion – Children, Clooney N.S.	Clooney Church
14th May 2016	Confirmation - Clooney & Quin/Dangan Schools	Quin Church.

Matt Talbot Novena: The annual Matt Talbot Novena continues at Tulla on Wednesday next, 16th March (and each Wednesday during Lent) at 7.00pm. The guest speaker this week is **Fr. Gerard Nash,** the theme, "*My Lord and My God*"".

Preparation for Easter: The *Abbey Cluster* of parishes (Ennis, Quin-Clooney-Maghera, Clarecastle, and Doora/Barefield) will hold a Reconciliation Service – in preparation for the great Feast of the Resurrection, at the Cathedral, Ennis, on Monday, March 21st, 7.30 to 8.30pm.

Clooney-Quin GAA; Results, LOTTO DRAW, 10th March:. Numbers drawn: **06-18-22-32** No Winner. Jackpot next week: €5300. Lucky Dip (€40) Winners: Pat Heffernan, Maghera; Iain Jackson, Ballyhickey; John Clune, Crowhill; Patrick McCarthy, Toonagh; Trevor Donnellan, Quin.

Playing in Croke Park – Clooney/Quin U12 hurlers have been selected, through lottery selection, to represent Clare in an annual U12 tournament in Croke Park on Wednesday, 30th March. They will play 3 games against various county club teams, each game to be 10-a-side. 20 minutes a half. Along with this experience, the group will be treated to a tour of the stadium and refreshments.

- ***Never miss an opportunity to make others happy, even if you have to leave them alone in order to do it.***