

Quin Clooney Maghera Parish Notes

February 14th 2021

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Masses: Anniversaries

No Masses in Clooney & Maghera During these times of restrictions

Sun. Feb. 14 th	Quin 11:00am	Stephen & Kathleen Mullins, Carrowmeer. Michael Sr. & Michael Jr. O’Neill, Feighquin.
Mon. Feb. 15 th	Quin 10.00am	Mike Liddy, Rathfoland, Newmarket on Fergus.
Tues. Feb. 16 th	Quin 10.00am	Dessie Winders, Old Court, Tallaght.
Weds.– Fri. Feb. 17 th – 19 th	Quin 10.00am	Private Intentions
Sun. Feb 21 st	Quin 11.00am	Michael Kelly, Ballyhannon. M.M. Fr. Michael Collins. Pat Callaghan, Ballykilty.

All Masses in Quin via Parish Webcam & Parish Radio Link.

Rest In Peace: Alice O’Keeffe, Ballydesmond, Co. Cork. Mother of Ger O’Keeffe, Quinville.

Daily Mass: (Quin) Mon—Fri: 10am

Weekly Contributions: Amount Collected from Feb.4th-Feb.10th—€850. Contributions can be left in the Parish Office during these times of restrictions or use the Donate Button on the Killaloe Diocese Website. An additional €554.01 was lodged into the Parish Account on Feb. 4th from those using the Donate Button. The Parish Council continues to thank all who leave contributions to the Parish Office at this time. Your generosity is much appreciated.

Bishops’ Conference & Commissions Collection: Last weekend the annual appeal for support of the Bishops’ Conference & needs of the Diocese took place. Bishop Fintan appreciates your generosity to this collection that enables the Diocese to provide Pastoral Care throughout the Diocese. There is a special white envelope with green top in your box of envelopes for this collection. You can also contribute to this collection using the Donate Button on the Diocesan Website using the special collections button. Please note the Parish is levied on this annual collection.

The AGM of the Clooney/Spencilhill community development group will take place on Feb. 25th at 8pm via Zoom. If you are interested in attending please email clooneyspencilhillcdg@gmail.com and the Zoom link will be sent to you.

Clooney National School is now accepting enrolments for Sept 2021. Please email the school at clooneyns@gmail.com.for further information.

On-line Donations to Parish: In these times of Government lockdown and 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.killaloe-diocese.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.

Ash Wednesday: Wednesday next the 17th of February marks the beginning of our Lenten Journey. The distribution of ashes cannot take place this year due to Covid-19 restrictions. Ashes will be blessed and left in St. Mary's Church, Quin after 10am Mass, for you to collect and distribute in your own family bubble. Please bring your own spoon and envelope to put the ashes in. The marking of ashes reminds us of our mortality and also gives us an opportunity to reflect on our relationship with God and our neighbour. During the Lenten Season the Church invites the faithful to enter into a reflective period, especially in this time of the Global Pandemic.

The Triest Community Employment Scheme (sponsored by Brothers of Charity Clare Services) are currently recruiting the following positions in the Clare Services: Support Workers, Cleaners and Art & Craft Assistant. Contact the local DSP Employment Services/Intreo Office to check your eligibility and to apply for this vacancy or contact -Thomas Gilligan at 065-6823123 / 086 380 9994.

A Lenten Journey with the Question: Who is Jesus? An online workshop facilitated by the Diocese of Killaloe and presented by Vince Murray, former Director of Religious Education in St Angela's College, Sligo. This explores who Jesus is by examining the work of four modern thinkers. It will be presented on one day each week in Lent (six sessions) and each will be about an hour. The format will be an online presentation and a facilitated discussion. This programme will be attractive to all who are interested in searching for a deeper understanding of Jesus, whether you are church-going or not. If you are interested, please contact: gerardmjsheeran@gmail.com

Tourism East Clare will hold our AGM via Zoom on the evening of Wednesday 24th February at 7:30pm. If you would like to attend, please email tourismeastclare@gmail.com to register. We welcome all our existing members and anyone with an interest in tourism in East Clare.

Community Energy Survey closing shortly: The Energy Survey in the Clooney, Spencilhill, Maghera area is closing this weekend, Saturday the 13th Feb. This is the last chance for people in the area to take part in this Energy initiative, with the opportunity to win a free Energy Audit worth €700. Best of luck to all who have already completed the survey. The information gathered from the Energy Survey will help Tipperary Energy Agency to select the households for Energy Audits and will feed into the Energy plan for the Area. This plan will be a roadmap for the future, so that the area can benefit from being a Sustainable Energy Community and will assist the community in obtaining suitable funding streams. Other opportunities like Micro Generation and Community Energy Generation will also be explored in the plan.

A Valentine Prayer

I said a Valentine prayer for you
and asked the Lord above
to fill your heart and bless your soul
With the precious gift of love.
I asked Him for sincere love
The kind that's meant to stay
Just like the generous love
You give to those you touch each day.
I prayed for love from family
And from every cherished friend
Then I asked the Lord to give you
His love that knows no end.