

# Quin Clooney Maghera Parish Notes

## 14th/15th February 2026

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Date		Anniversaries	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers	Tellers
Sat Feb 14th	Clooney 7pm	Special Intentions	Tom Larkin	John Condon	
Sun Feb 15th	Maghera 9.30am	Maura & Mattie Clune, Maghera. Joe & Bridie Murphy, Derahalla & their son Pa	Eileen Daly	Marie Moloney	
Sun Feb 15th	Quin 11am	Michael O'Neill Snr & Michael O'Neill Jnr, Feighquin Kathleen & Martin Ryan, Feighquin	Pauline Hogan & Pat Philips	Maureen McKeogh	Carol O'Reilly & Bart O'Brien
Sat Feb 21st	Clooney 7.00pm	Michael & Rita Daffy, Rathclooney	Frances Earls	Frances Earls	
Sun Feb 22nd	Maghera 9.30am	Special Intentions	Mary Whelan	Catherine O'Halloran	
Sun Feb 22nd	Quin 11am	Fr. Michael Collins, former PP & John Murphy, Quin.	Maureen McKeogh & Colette Colleran	Sheila O'Sullivan	Maria Dolan & Veronica Kelly
Mon Feb 23rd	Quin 11am	Gerard O'Neill, Corbally			

**Daily Mass this week:** Monday to Friday at 10am St Mary's Church Quin.

**Weekly Contributions:** Amount Collected for the past week €750. 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.

**Sick & Housebound:** Fr Tom will visit the sick and housebound of the parish with sacraments this week. If you know of any housebound parishioner who would like to receive sacraments please contact Fr Tom on 087 2349816

**Children's Liturgy:** Sunday February 15th: Rosie O'Sullivan & Dawn Reynolds. Sunday February 22nd: Hannah McInerney & Clare O'Halloran.

**First Confession:** The children preparing for their first confession will celebrate the sacrament on this Monday night at 7pm in St Mary's Church, Quin. Please keep the children in your prayers as they prepare and grow in their love and knowledge of Jesus.

**Ash Wednesday:** Our Lenten journey begins this Wednesday, known as Ash Wednesday, a day of fast and abstinence. Ashes will be blessed at the 10am Mass on Wednesday in St. Mary's Church, Quin.

**Trócaire:** Our annual Trócaire Lenten Campaign begins this Wednesday. You are invited during Lent with the tools of prayer, fasting and alms giving to reach out to those who are poor and most in need. Trócaire boxes are available in all our Churches.

**Lenten Challenge 2026:** On this Temperance Sunday parishioners are invited to take a short term pledge for Lenten to abstain from alcohol, you are invited to visit [www.pioneers.ie](http://www.pioneers.ie)

**Bishop Willie Walsh First Anniversary:** Bishop Willie's first anniversary mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral Ennis, on Saturday next 21st February at 11am. After mass, the new Cathedral Plaza in front of the Cathedral will be dedicated to his memory and will be known as the Bishop Willie Walsh Plaza. All are welcome to attend.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** Bishop Fintan will lead both our Diocesan Summer and Autumn pilgrimages this year. Wednesday 24th to Monday 29th June cost €990 pps, and Monday 28th September to Saturday 3rd October cost €960 pps. Book directly with [joewalstours.ie](http://joewalstours.ie) or tel 01 2410800. A limited number of assisted pilgrims will be accommodated in Accueil Notre Dame in the grounds of the sanctuary. For more information on this section only please contact Mary Freeman at [marybfreeman@gmail.com](mailto:marybfreeman@gmail.com) or Ph 087 9777896.

**The Annual Matt Talbot Novena** returns on Ash Wednesday, 18th February 2026 at 7:00pm in Tulla Church, beginning with Mass and Benediction. The Novena will be opened by Bishop Fintan Monahan, and will include the blessing and distribution of ashes. This year marks the 25th Anniversary of the Novena. Attending this Novena could be your Lenten resolution.

**Lenten series of Faith Exploration, Reflection and Renewal:** The Adult Faith Formation Team of the Killaloe Diocese invites you to the Lenten series. The gatherings will follow the 'Baptised and Sent Programme', developed from the Irish Synodal Pathway. Venue: Clarecastle Daycare Center (V95NY67) on Monday nights, 23rd February, 2nd March and 9th March from 8-9 pm.

**Clare Roots Society:** The February meeting will be held in the Clare Education Centre on the Kilrush Road in Ennis on Thursday February 19th at 7:30pm. **Talk title** - Power and Persuasion: What Administrative Choices Reveal About Your Clare Ancestors' Famine Experience with Eamon Healy, professional genealogist and historian.

**Would you like to revisit your Gaelige?** If so an 8 week course will commence in Quin Hall on Tuesdays - starting date Feb 17<sup>th</sup> with Mary Noonan for a fun-filled class through conversational Irish, 11am-12.45 (including a tea break). To register call Maire 087 401 9754 or Theresa Shanahan 086 803 6130.

**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. Contact: Mary 087-2413869.

**Graduates. Don't lose your Seanad Vote:** Irish citizens with degrees from designated 3rd level colleges are eligible to vote in the "HIGHER EDUCATION CONSTITUENCY" which replaces the NUI and Trinity panels in Seanad Éireann. Thousands of previous voters are unaware that they have been removed from the register. To secure your vote, go to [www.seanadvoter.ie](http://www.seanadvoter.ie) before 26th February. Evidence of a passport is needed or else email [applications@seanadvoters.ie](mailto:applications@seanadvoters.ie)

**Pope Leo advice to young people on AI:** 'It can process information, but it can't replace human intelligence. It cannot offer true wisdom and cannot judge between right and wrong. It can't stand in wonder before the beauty of God's creation. Be careful that your use of AI does not limit your true human potential. Use it in such a way that if it disappeared tomorrow, you will still know how to think, create, act on your own and form authentic friendships. Remember AI can never replace the unique gift you are to the world.'

**Split the Pot:** Congratulations to this weeks Split the Pot winner Deirdre Lynch who wins €80. Next draw takes place on Tuesday February 17th. 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. "Be in to win".

**GAA Lotto Draw:** 12th February 2026 Jackpot: €20,000. Numbers drawn: 1; 6; 17; 18; No winner. €40 Winners - Aoife Clune; Siobhan Morris; Damien O'Halloran, Quin; Nicole & John Moran, Clooney; Sharon Maxwell c/o Gala. Next draw Clubhouse 19th February 2026. Jackpot: €20,000. Tickets available online at [www.clooneyquingaa.ie](http://www.clooneyquingaa.ie) - purchase cut-off time 5.00pm. Also available in Quin Post Office and Clooney Stores; purchase cut off time 1pm. Go raibh maith agaibh as bhur dtacaíocht leanúnach.

**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](mailto:quinparish@gmail.com)

**Thought for the Week:** God's love is always. It knows no boundaries, no hours or days.