

Quin Clooney Maghera Parish Notes

18th/19th April 2026

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Date		Anniversaries	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers	Tellers
Sat April 18th	Clooney 7pm	Pat Conroy, Clooney. Joanna Karas(Monthsmind), & Maria Palka, Poland,	Pauline Conheady	Nuala Daffy	
Sun April 19th	Maghera 9.30am	Special Intentions	Marie Heffernan	Catherine O'Halloran	
Sun April 19th	Quin 11am	Michael Mullins, Carrowmeer, (Monthsmind). Tommy O'Brien, Quinville. Jerry Murphy, Quin. Bobby Clune, Feighquin.	Pauline Hogan & Pat Philips	Grainne O'Keeffe	Haulie Hannon & Moria Scanlon
Sat April 25th	Clooney 7.00pm	Special Intentions	Catherine Ryan	Linda Hale	
Sun April 26th	Maghera 9.30am	Special Intentions	Stella Corbett	Marie Moloney	
Sun April 26th	Quin 11am	John McNamara, Ballyhickey. John Fall, Knappogue, (Monthsmind). Elizabeth Flaherty, Limerick.	Maureen McKeogh & Colette Colleran	Anne Enright	Grainne O'Keeffe & Anita Clune

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

RIP: Maria Palka, Poland, mother of Joanne Karas who was buried during the week & grandmother to Gosha Walsh, Clooney. Gus Conry, Bunrana Co. Donegal and late of Quin.

Weekly Contributions: Amount Collected for the past week €850. 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 April 19th: Siobhan Morris & Marissa McCarthy. Sunday April 26th: Sandra Quirke & Aislinn Homer.

Adoration: Each Thursday at 12noon Adoration takes place in St Mary's Church Quin. Please consider spending some time in quiet prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

Recent Baptism: We welcome to the Christian Community **Amber Anne Jones** who recently received the Sacrament of Baptism.

Sacramental Masses: Parents, children and families of our children preparing for First Holy Communion and Confirmation are invited to our Sacramental Masses of preparation next weekend at the 7pm Mass in St John XXIII Church Clooney on Saturday or at the 11am Mass on Sunday in St Mary's Church Quin.

Education Fund Appeal: Next weekend we celebrate Vocations Sunday, a day of special prayer and reflection for all called to serve in ministry. The annual collection to support the education of students to the priesthood and lay ministry of our Diocese will take place at all masses. We have 2 students currently studying for priesthood and one student in discernment. We have 24 lay people in training and discernment for Lay Ministry in our parishes and Diocese. As we ask for your support next weekend, we also ask for your prayers for all called or discerning a call to ministry.

Quin Clooney Community Games: Athletics Day is on Saturday, April 18th at Lee's Road Track, Ennis. Register your child now to avoid disappointment, as NO entries will be accepted on the day. This can be done by completing the form available through our social media platforms. Registration closes Wednesday, April 15th @ 6 pm. On the day: Sign-in starts at 1:30 pm with races commencing at 2 pm, including the Adult Wellie Throwing and the U4 & U6 fun runs. We hope to see you there.

Road Safety Event: A free Safety Information & Demonstration Event for older road users will take place on this Saturday, 18 April 2026, from 2:00pm – 4:00pm at Clare Marts, Quin Road, Ennis. Organised by the Clare Older People's Council and Clare County Council's Age Friendly Programme, the event will feature demonstrations of safe driving practices for roads and roundabouts, advice for pedestrians and cyclists, and free car/van tyre checks, with parking available on site. Gardai property marking also available on the day.

Reading for Wellness Launch: The launch of the Reading for Wellness Programme will take place on 29th April 2026, from 6:00pm to 8:00pm, in Cultúrlann Sweeney Library, Kilkee, Co. Clare. The event will feature contributions from Cillian Keane (Mental Health Ireland), Author Roisin Meaney and Lauretta O'Dea, and Shanelle Waring from the Clare Age Friendly Programme, highlighting the role of reading in supporting mental health and wellbeing.

HSE Mid-West Community Healthcare are running the 'Living Well' programme which is a free of charge group self-management programme for people with long term health conditions or their carers. The programme, which is ran in a friendly and non-intrusive manner, addresses topics such as fatigue, sleep, pain, stress, physical activity, healthy eating, difficult emotions, low mood, depression and general wellbeing. It takes place over 6 weeks, 2.5 hours per week with up to 15 people on the programme. A programme will commence on Wednesday April 22nd in Shannon Family Resource Centre at 10.30am and continues for 6 weeks, finishing on Wednesday May 27th. Prior registration is necessary, numbers are limited. Call Philip at 087 1799396 or Ailish at 061 461362 to register or for more information.

Ennis Blood Donation Clinics. We are working with hospitals to prevent the need to cancel elective surgeries. We are hosting a clinic in Ennis at the West County Hotel, Monday 20th, Tuesday 21st, Wednesday 22nd & Thursday 23rd April from 3:50pm – 8:10pm. Phone 1800 222111 for appointment. New donors are always welcome. Former UK residents are also now eligible to donate.

Quin Village Tidy Towns are carrying out an upgrade to the grotto area as it is in need of repair. The area will be refurbished and the surface will be brought up to road/ path level for wheelchair accessibility. The works are to also assist with health and safety in the area. The statue shall remain as it always has, and works are due for completion over the next few weeks. .

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.

Split the Pot: Congratulations to this weeks Split the Pot winner Tina McInerney who wins €80. Next draw takes place on Tuesday April 21st. 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: 16th April 2026 Jackpot: €20,000. Numbers drawn: 3; 14; 18; 25; No winner. €40 Winners - Neil Doherty, Spencilhill; Aine Brooks, Quin; Joe Quinlivan, Quin; Fionn Fitzgerald, c/o Quin Post Office, John & Evelyn Skeeahan, Clooney. Next draw Clubhouse 23rd April 2026. Jackpot: €20,000. Tickets available online at 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

Thought for the Week: If another's heart can be made glad through your sacrifice, it's no longer a sacrifice but a privilege.