Quin Clooney Maghera Parish Notes February 21st 2021

Masses: Anniversaries

No Masses in Clooney & Maghera During these times of restrictions

Sun. Feb 21 st	Quin 11:00am	Michael Kelly, Ballyhannon (M.M.) Fr. Michael Collins Pat Callihan, Ballykilty
Mon. Feb 22 nd	Quin 10:00am	DoDo Markham, Clonroadmore, late of Maghera & her husband Sean
Tue. Feb 23 rd	Quin 10:00am	Gerry O'Neill, Corbally
Wed.– Fri – Feb 24 th -26 th	Quin 10:00am	Private Intentions
Sun. Jan 28 th	Quin 11:00am	John Murphy, Quin Viallage. Michael & Rita Daffy, Rathclooney

All Masses in Quin via Parish Radio link or Webcam

Daily Mass: (Quin) Mon—Fri: 10am

Weekly Contributions: Amount Collected from Feb. 11th Feb.17th €770. Contributions can be left in the Parish Office during these times of restrictions or use the Donate Button on the Killaloe Diocese Website. 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 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.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.

Booking of Mass Intentions: Please give two weeks notice when booking a Mass intention. One intention will be taken for weekday Masses and for Sunday's NO more than three family intentions will be taken. Please ring the Parish Office during office hours 11am-5pm at (065) 6825612. If there is no answer please leave a name, date that you would like and contact number and we will get back to you. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

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

Tourism East Clare will hold our Annual General Meeting 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 our beautiful East Clare.

Trocaire Lenten Campaign: This year on your Trocaire Box features Ajak and Awut and their families in South Sudan. Not only war but climate change has taken so much form these families. Donations to Trocaire this year will go towards helping families who are hungry, school supplies for children and helping many in the developing world who have to cope with draught and increasing temperatures due to climate change. visit <u>trocaire.org/lent</u> for more information.

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. Please 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.

Fr Flan Lynch OFM cap., has just put up two videos. One an introduction and the other a meditation. A super response to covid - search on Goggle or on You Tube The Wild Ox's Strength: A Response To COVID.

Scripture Thoughts

The Gospel today is rather short. We see that Jesus was sent by the Spirit into the dessert to pray. He remains there for forty days and is tempted by Satan. After this time Jesus returns to Galilee to preach the Word of God and call all to repentance and belief in the Gospel. Paul reminds us that Christ came to fulfil the promise God made to us to bring us all into His kingdom. Christ who was without sin came to free all of us from sin. We are called to respond to God as Noah did by listening to the Word of God and following God's Word fully.

Spend time today with God in order to hear how the Spirit impels you. This season of Lent (40 days) gives us time to grow in relationship with God. Make plans to spend time each day with God in prayer. Put the time on your calendar as an important meeting. Allow yourself to be touched by God.

The Fast Life

Fast from judging others; Feast on Christ dwelling in them.
Fast from fear of illness; Feast on the healing power of God.
Fast from words that pollute; Feast on speech that purifies.
Fast from discontent; Feast on gratitude.
Fast from anger; Feast on patience.
Fast from pessimism; Feast on hope.
Fast from negatives; Feast on encouragement.
Fast from bitterness; Feast on forgiveness.
Fast from self-concern; Feast on compassion.
Fast from suspicion; Feast on truth.
Fast from gossip; Feast on purposeful silence.
Fast from problems that overwhelm;
Feast on prayer that sustains.
Fast from anxiety; Feast on faith.
- Author Unknown