## Quin Clooney Maghera Parish Notes 23rd/24th August 2025

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Date		Anniversaries	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers	Tellers
Sat Aug 23rd	Clooney 7pm	Special Intentions	Pauline Conheady	Nuala Daffy	
Sun Aug 24th	Maghera 9.30am	Special Intentions	Eileen Daly	John O'Sullivan	
Sun Aug 24th	Quin 11am	Jim Slattery, Moyriesk Paddy Neylon, Cahercalla	Jimmy Maher & Chris Kelly	Deirdre Clune	Fiona McMahon & Fionuala O'Sullivan
Sat Aug 30th	Clooney 7.00pm	Special Intentions	Tom Larkin	Pamela McGrath	
Sun Aug 31st	Maghera 9.30am	Special Intentions	Marie Heffernan	Catherine O'Halloran	
Sun Aug 31st	Quin 11am	Special Intentions	Teasie Ryan & Frances Reynolds	Mary Maher	Haulie Hannon & Moira Scanlon

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

RIP: Pat Page, Coose, Co. Galway. Brother of Michael Page, Quin Gardens, who died recently

**Weekly Contributions**: Amount Collected for the past week €700. 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

**Prayer for those who received results:** We congratulate all Leaving Cert students who received their results on Friday. As decisions await, be open to the unexpected, it may reveal hidden treasures. Loving God, calm the anxious hearts of those waiting exam results. Grant them peace that as the days approaches for results. Help them to trust that their worth lies not in a grade, but in your unchanging love. Give them courage to accept whatever comes and wisdom to see this moment as just one step in their unique journey. Surround them with your comfort and support.

**Back to School:** The dreaded three words are here again. Our school's doors will open once again this week for the start of the new school year. We pray God's blessing on all involved in education in our parish. Bless those who are beginning and those moving to new beginnings, in particular Donnacha Murphy who becomes Deputy Principal of Clooney School and Mary Gleeson outgoing deputy who begins her well earned retirement after 42 years teaching in Clooney.

**Friary Roof Appeal**: The Franciscan Friars have asked that we convey their thanks and gratitude to the many peoples who are helping them clear the debt incurred in repairing the roof the Friary in Ennis. Work is progressing and should be completed in the coming weeks. They assure all of a remembrance each day in prayer when they gather as a community twice a day to pray for all.

**St Monica Wednesday 27th August:** St Monica is remembered for her patience and faith in the face of adversity. Monica is responsible for converting her hot tempered, pagan husband, her cantankerous mother-in-law and her brilliant but wayward son, Augustine (whose feast we celebrated on Thursday). Monica is the Patron Saint of wives, mothers and abuse victims.

**RCIA:** Do you or someone you know want to become a Catholic?. Please contact Fr Tom or the Parish Office for more details. RCIA stands for Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

**Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** Bishop Fintan will lead our Diocesan Autumn Jubilee Pilgrimage to Lourdes from Monday 29th September to Saturday 4th October, direct from Shannon Airport. The remaining seats can be booked with joewalshtours.ie or Tel: 01 2410800

**24 Hours of Prayer for Gaza:** This Sunday 24th August is designated as a Day of Prayer for Gaza. On this day you are asked to light a candle in your home or Church, attend Mass, spend time before the Blessed Sacrament, pray the Rosary, make some small personal penance or sacrifice and on the day, let the light of Hope radiate out from the Island of Ireland for peace for Gaza and for the future of its people.

Clare Crusaders: 20th anniversary run 2005 - 2025; this family friendly event takes place on this Sunday August 24th at 10am in Barefield. Option of 10K and 5K routes. Entry €20. Enter at <a href="https://eventmaster.ie/event/GY1KTkKtpd">https://eventmaster.ie/event/GY1KTkKtpd</a>

**Flute and Tin-Whistle Classes:** Commencing in Ennis from September. Contact Bríd for more information 0876217337. New students welcome.

**Breast Cancer Awareness Month 2025** takes place from 1st to 31st October. For further information, please log onto <a href="https://www.breastcancerireland.com">www.breastcancerireland.com</a>

Abide in His Love Women's Conference Nov 21-23. The Great Northern Hotel, Bundoran Co. Donegal. An Amazing event for women exploring the beauty & gift of their feminine identity in Christ. Guest Speakers include Sr. Mary Madeline Todd OP (USA), Megan Madden from 'A Mother's Lace' (USA/UK), Fr. Barry Braum, Fr. Mark Wharton (UK), Fr. Francesco Mary Gavazzi, CFR, the Nashville Dominican sisters, & Mass with Archbishop Eamon Martin. Check out Eventbrite for tickets & more information. Not to be missed!

**Grow Mental Health**: Friendly Community based groups for anyone experiencing mental health issues through 12 Step Program of connection, hope, identity by empowering people to nurture their positive wellbeing by supporting personal growth through education, peer support and self-teaching. Ennis Meeting - Maria Assumpta Hall. Monday 7.30pm/Tuesday 2pm. Contact Celia 086-1526966/<a href="https://www.grow.ie">Www.grow.ie</a> It is every week throughout the year.

**Split the Pot:** Congratulations to this weeks Split the Pot winner Margaret White who wins €66. Next draw takes place on Tuesday August 26th. Envelopes for split the pot can be filled in, at Gala, The Abbey Tavern, The Village Inn, Abbey Express laundry, Quin post office, Varden's Pharmacy, and The Pantry Cafe. "Be in to win".

GAA Lotto Draw: 21st August 2025 Jackpot: €20,000. Numbers drawn: 1; 7; 15; 26; No winner. €40 Winners - Maggie Sheehy, Clooney; Tom Guilfoyle, Quin; Sandra Reynolds, Moyreisk; Tom Meade, Quin; Kelly Ann McMahon, Quin. Next draw Clubhouse 19th June 2025. 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.

Thought for the Week: The more you think of others, the more thoughtful of you they will be in return.

**Newsletter Deadline:** The cut-off time for submission of notices for inclusion in the newsletter is Tuesday at 5pm. Notices can be emailed to <a href="mailto:guinparish@gmail.com">guinparish@gmail.com</a>