## *Quin Clooney Maghera Parish Notes March* 27<sup>th</sup> 2022

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Date		Anniversaries	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
Sat Mar 26 <sup>th</sup>	Clooney 7.00pm	Barbara Hickey (nee Clune), Crowhill Michael Clune, Rylane	Catherine Ryan	Orla Hanra- han
Sun Mar 27 <sup>th</sup>	Maghera 9.30am	No Intention	Mary Heffer- nan	Anne Daffy
Sun Mar 27 <sup>th</sup>	Quin 11.00am	Marcella & Tom McMahon Jerry Murphy, Rooska Hse, Quin (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv.) Mary Donnellan, Cragataska	Connie Corry & Nollie McCarthy	Carol O'Reilly
Sat Apr 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Clooney 7.00pm	No Intention	Mary O'Connor	Mary O'Con- nor
Sun Apr 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Maghera 9.30am	No Intention	Flan Hassett	Eileen Daly
Sun Apr 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Quin 11.00am	Mary Clune, Mervue & Ballymaclune John & Eileen Hassett (M.M) and their son Paddy, Ballyhannon	Eleanor Galla- gher & Ann Corbett	Chloe Duggan

Daily Mass: (Quin) Mon-Fri: 10am

Weekly Contributions: Amount collected €1,255. Contributions can also be left in the parish office during this time 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.

**National Collection for Ukraine:** There will be an opportunity at all Masses in Ireland this weekend of 26/27th March to contribute to help the people of Ukraine. There will be special collection buckets at church entrances and exits for this collection. Trócaire are co-ordinating this appeal.

**First Friday:** Friday next, 1 April is the First Friday of the month. The sick and housebound will be visited during the week.

**Pastoral Council:** There will be a meeting of the Pastoral Council this Monday March 28th at 8pm in St. Mary's Church, Quin. This meeting is to discuss and organise the Holy Week Liturgies. All members are encouraged to attend.

**Reconciliation Thought Fourth Sunday of Lent 27 March:** From shame to celebration, from humiliation to joy – even before the son has time to humble himself, the father embraces him, lifts him up and celebrates with him and for him. This is the supreme example of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The Abbey Pastoral Area Reconciliation Service will be on Monday 11 April at 730pm in the Cathedral of Ss Peter & Paul, Ennis. Reflections, scripture and music will be part of this prayerful celebration and a number of priests will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. You are very welcome to join us.

**Knock Pilgrimage**: Fully Escorted Pilgrimage four night Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, 04th April 2022. €570.00 per person sharing. Price includes return bus transfer ,4 nights in Knock House Hotel with Full Board. All enter-tainment and excursions. Wheelchair accessible rooms. Single supplement €75.00. Contact Patricia on 087 1890 236 or email <u>knockpilgrimages@gmail.com</u>.

LOURDES 2022: After an absence of two years, due to the Covid pandemic, our Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes resumes again this year from 28th June to 3rd July, direct from Shannon Airport. Sick or assisted pilgrims will not travel this year. Cost €739 to €759 depending on the choice of hotel, Agena or La Solitude. To reserve your place please contact Joe Walsh Tours -Tel; 01-2410800, email: info@joewalshtours.ie Post: Joe Walsh Tours 69 O'Connell Street Dublin 1 The autumn pilgrimage will take place from 2nd to 7th October 2022. Enquiries to Fr Tom Ryan Pilgrimage Director 087- 2349816 or tfryan.ennis@gmail.com

**Clare 250 Cycle:** The Clare 250 cycle in aid of the Clare 250 Cancer center at Ballygriffy Ruan, takes place on the 22nd of May. The cycle is now a one day event and if you are interested in taking part you can contact Jimmy Maher on 0879282190 for further details.

**Parkinson's Awareness Talk:** To mark Parkinson's Awareness Week, Kilrush Library are hosting a talk on Wednesday 6th April at 2.30pm by Nicola Thompson, Parkinson's Nurse Specialist. Nicola has a wide experience and knowledge of the condition, which she is delighted to share with people either living with Parkinson's or their carers, family members and friends. This talk will be followed by a Q+A. There is also an open invitation for a patient to come and tell their story on the day. Tea and coffee will be served. A Healthy Ireland at Your Library event.

**Trocaire Thought:** 'God now calls us, individually and collectively, to work for the good of the planet and the good of all. All too often "religion" appears as if it is no more than an intellectual failure of nerve. However, true religion is not a flight from the world: faith that is alive provides a framework for people to make decisions and take action. As a church, and as a society, we need to reflect with greater depth, urgency, and seriousness about what we must do about climate change. If not for your own sake, then for the sake of your children, and for the world's children – take action.' *Trocaire Collection will be taken up on Good Friday 15 April.* 

**COVID Protocols:** Since the government announcement at the end of January, Religious Services can continue to proceed without capacity limits but with a couple protective measures remaining in place. This means that in our churches face masks are still to be worn, and hand sanitizing to continue on entering and leaving the church. The sign of peace remains suspended and Holy Communion will continue to be distributed in the hand only. The Holy Water fonts will also remain empty. Please be respectful of others who come to pray in our churches by giving space to one another.

**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.killalodiocese.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"

Lotto Draw 24<sup>th</sup> March 2022. Jackpot: €14,400. Numbers drawn: 13; 28; 29; 31. No winner. €40 Lucky Dip winners: Paul McHugh, Maigh Dara; Orla Cunningham; Pat Henchy, Clooney; Kathleen Ryan, C/O Quin P.O.; Martin Timmons, Maigh Dara. Next draw Online 31<sup>th</sup> March 2022. Jackpot: €14,600. Tickets available online <u>www.clooneyquingaa.ie</u> - purchase cut-off time 5.00pm. Also available in Crowes, Quin Post Office, **and** Clooney Stores - purchase cut-off time 1.00pm. We thank you for your continued support

The **Annual Matt Talbot Novena** will continue on Wednesday, 30th March at 7:00PM in Tulla Church with Mass and Benediction. Fr Martin Shanahan who currently serves in the Parish of Inagh will deliver the reflection. Petitions may be left at the shrine in Tulla church during the Novena. We would love if you joined us in this pilgrimage through Lent

**Quin TT :** As the weather improves it's time to go out and help us to keep Quin looking clean and tidy. The weeds are increasing daily and if you see some near your own house or property that could be removed, please do so. If everybody does a little bit it all adds up to a cleaner and safer environment. It takes a community to create a village. The new committee are designating Monday nights as a clean up night every week but if you cannot make it on a Monday, please feel free to tackle weeds and litter as you go. There's a Quin TT WhatsApp and if you'd like to join that group please txt 0876895489 and you will be added. Many thanks for your cooperation.

**Quin Active Retirement.** Charity Walk in aid of Motor Neuron & Pieta House will take place on the Shannon estuary loop Shannon on Saturday 2nd April. Non members & friends welcome to join. Will meet at Quin Hall at 11 am to car pool. Walk will commence in front of the Shannon Crematorium at 11.45am. Contributions & donations gratefully accepted on the day.