

Parish of Quin-Clooney-Maghera

Abbey Cluster - Diocese of Killaloe

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Sunday, 27th November 2016

The First Sunday of Advent

THE BEGINNING OF THE CHURCH YEAR.

ANNIVERSARIES

Sat. 26th Nov. (Clooney), 7.00 p.m.

Thurs. 1st Dec. (Quin), 5.30pm

Friday, 2nd Dec. (Quin), 5.00 p.m.

| Sun. 4th Dec. (Quin), 11.00 a.m.

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John Gallagher, Moyriesk.

Julie & Tossie Guilfoyle, Ennis.

Denis Rahilly, Quingardens.

Noel Murphy, Knocknagoug. (1st Anniv.)

Declan Armstrong, (2nd Anniv.).

Tom McGrath, Knappogue.

The O'Callaghan family – Con, Kathleen,
Mary & Patrick, Creevagh.

Daily Mass, Quin next week: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday, 5.00pm each day.

Thursday (1st December): Benediction at 5.30pm, followed by Mass

Friday next, 2nd December, is FIRST FRIDAY of the month. Mass as above.

Pastoral visits by Fr. McCormack to parishioners who are sick and/or housebound

Pray & Play: Quin Church; Leaders for Sunday next, 27th November: Noreen Thomas, Eleanor Gallagher, Mairead McMahon (Team 4).

Offertory Donations: (To cover administration costs, upkeep of parish property, insurance, etc.). Last weekend, 19/20th November: (three churches): €1000 – plus €130 obtained via Clarecastle parish. Tellers: Quin, Sunday, 4th December: Nita Enright & Breege Kelleher. Tellers – Maghera, month of December: Helen Vaughan & Rory Corbett. Tellers – Clooney: December – Rebecca O'Neill & Kevin Downes.

Where do I find God? - That's a question we might, with profit, occasionally ponder for ourselves. Other people, some of them well-known, give their responses in a fascinating book, entitled "**Where I find God**" to be launched at the *Temple Gate* Hotel, Ennis, on Friday next, 2nd December at 7pm. The book has been written and edited by Cora Guinnane and Joanne O'Brien. Joanne is a resident of this parish (Ballyhickey) and has been active in Pastoral Council affairs in Quin over the years. Everyone welcome to attend the book launch next Friday.

Priests: The quarterly (Christmas) Collection for the priests of the parish will take place next weekend (3rd/4th December). Yellow envelope. Your ongoing supports is most appreciated.

NEXT WEEKEND ...

Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
CLOONEY – 7.00pm Sat. Vigil, 3 rd December	<i>Eoin Conheady</i>	<i>Linda Hales</i>
MAGHERA – 9.30am Sunday, 4 th December	<i>Stella Corbett</i>	<i>Elaine Corbett</i>
QUIN - 11.00am Sunday, 4 th December	<i>Breege Kelleher & Chloe Duggan</i>	<i>Mary O'Halloran & Lauren King</i>
Eucharistic Adoration , Quin Church, next Thursday from 9.00am . Benediction at 5.30pm , followed by Mass ..		

Advent Reflection: A one-page reflection on the Gospel for each Sunday in Advent, called **Hearing, Happening, Hoping** can be downloaded from the Killaloe Diocesan website, as follows: www.killaloe-diocese.ie/diocesan-news/hearing-happening-hoping-advent2016.html

Christmas Party

The annual Christmas Party for the seniors of our parish will take place on **Sunday next, 4th December 2016**. The *Inn at Dromoland* is again the venue and the event will include the traditional festive banquet, with post-dinner party and plenty of entertainment through the afternoon. If you've not been before, please come along. You will be most welcome. The proceedings commence with Sunday Mass at **12.15pm**. (Note change of time).

For further details, contact Kay on 087 2196141 or Finnuala on 087 6261681

Ennis Community College – enrolling for 2017/2018 Academic Year. Sixth Class students and their parents invited to view facilities and programmes, **Thursday, 8th December, 5pm**.

River Project: Quin *Tidy Towns* Committee will hold a **Poker Classic (Texas Holdem)** at the *Village Inn* on Thursday next, 2nd December at 8.30pm. €10 per ticket (entry). €10 limited buyback. Prize money pro rata. Raffle & Spot Prizes. Proceeds to aid River Project, Quin.

School Caretaker: A vacancy has arisen for a School Caretaker at *Scoil na Mainistreach*, Quin-Dangan. 15 hours per week. Applications invited. Closing date: 1st December; post to be filled, 2nd December. CV to Principal, Mr Fergal Lynch, in envelope marked "*Application*".

Christmas Fair – With Living Crib, Market Stalls, Santa Claus, Music, Mulled Wine, etc. . Free Admission. Carrigoran House (Newmarket) Sat. & Sun. 10/11th December, 2 – 6pm.

Clooney/Quin – GAA LOTTO Draw, 24th November: Numbers Drawn: **03-21-24-27**. No winner. Jackpot next week: **€10,850**. Lucky Dip Winners (€40 each): Jim O'Neill, Arbutus Grove; Pat McMahon, Spencilhill; Helen Clune, Keevagh; Emer & Ciara Fahy, Toureen; Ann McNamara, Newmarket-on-Fergus.

GAA Club members will call house-to-house over the next 2 - 3 weeks with GAA National Draw tickets. Tickets €10 each. All proceeds will remain with the Club. Local Prizes guaranteed.

*Carry a heart that never hates, a smile that never fades
and a touch that never hurts.*

(Anon.)