

Quin Clooney Maghera Parish Notes

28th/29th March 2026

Palm Sunday, Passion of Lord Jesus Christ

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Date		Anniversaries	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers	Tellers
Sat Mar 28th	Clooney 7pm	Special Intentions	Pauline Conheady	Orla Considine	
Sun Mar 29th	Maghera 9.30am	Special Intentions	Eileen Daly	Mary Casey	
Sun Mar 29th	Quin 11am	Tom & Cella McMahon, Quin & Claremorris	Deirdre Meaney & Jimmy Maher	Sandra Hassett	Mary Culligan & Richie O'Brien
Sat Apr 04th	Clooney 7.00pm	Special Intentions	Tom Larkin	John Condon	
Sun Apr 05th	Maghera 9.30am	Special Intentions	Catherine O'Halloran	Anne Daffy	
Sun Apr 05th	Quin 11am	Eileen Cunningham & deceased Family Members, Knocknagogue	Pat Carrig & Tom Frain	Carol O'Reilly	Ann McNamara & Mary Moloney

Daily Mass this week: Monday to Wednesday at 10am in St Mary's Church, Quin

RIP: Michael Mullins, Carrowmeer and Michael Kelly, Ennis, brother of Seamus & Maura Kelly, Carrowmeer.

Holy Week Ceremonies:

Monday: Penitential Rite with the opportunity for individual confession on this Monday night at 7.30pm in the Cathedral. This Abbey Pastoral Area initiative gives parishioners in all four parishes the opportunity to avail of the sacrament of Reconciliation with 12 priests in attendance.

Spy Wednesday: The Chrism Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral at 7.30pm on Wednesday evening. This annual Diocesan Mass brings the Bishop and his priests together with our Lay Pastoral Ministers and people from every parish in the Diocese. The Holy oils used in the celebration of the Sacraments throughout every parish in the Diocese are blessed and the Bishop and Priests renew their priestly commitment. All are welcome to this very special Diocesan Mass.

Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper in St John XXIII Church Clooney at 7pm.

Good Friday is day of fast and abstinence. No Mass is celebrated on this day but tradition shows that Christians gather at 3pm on Good Friday and recall the Passion of Jesus. This ceremony will take place in St Mary's Church, Quin at 3pm.

Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 7pm in St Stephen's Church Maghera.

Holy Saturday: The Easter vigil will be celebrated in St. John XXIII Church, Clooney at 7pm.

Easter Sunday: The Dawn Mass will be celebrated at 6.30am in the Quay Clarecastle.

Morning Masses at 9.30am in St Stephen's Church Maghera and at 11am in St Mary's Church Quin.

Weekly Contributions: Amount Collected for the past week €1,120. The Parish Finance Committee 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.

Priests Easter Collection: The Easter Collection for the priests from the pastoral area who serve the parish will be taken up at all Masses at the Easter Vigil and at all Masses on Easter Sunday.

Trócaire & Holy Place Collection: The annual collection to support the work of Trocaire and the Christian Places of Worship in the Holy Land will be taken up at all Masses this weekend. This annual appeal gives us all the opportunity to share with the poor throughout the world. The call to support the Holy places in the Holy Land helps the Franciscan Friars maintain a Christian presence in the land of Jesus' birth and death. The Christian community in the Holy Land is only a tiny minority of the entire population. Your generosity and support is very much appreciated.

Annual Matt Talbot Novena: The Annual Matt Talbot Novena will conclude on Tuesday, 31st March at 7:00pm in Tulla Church with Mass and Benediction (please note that the Novena takes place on Tuesday). We are grateful to welcome Fr. Tom Fitzpatrick (Doora/Barefield Parish), who will lead us in prayer. Fr. Tom will also lead a healing service, including the Celebration of the Sacrament of the Sick. Petitions may be left at the shrine in the church. Sincere thanks to all who participated and joined us during the Novena.

GAA: 2026 Clooney-Quin GAA Membership is now due. Please register in Foireann.ie, email Secretary.clooneyquin.clare@gaa.ie or alternatively contact either Secretary Sandra Reynolds 0872483789 / Bernie O'Halloran 0876871187.

Easter Music Camp 2026 in violin and fiddle: An introductory 'try-it-out' workshop for children (ages 4-10) wishing to start violin/fiddle classes in the future. Sessions on in Clarecastle 7th – 10th April 10.00am – 12.00pm. Instruments will be provided. Contact Caitríona for more information 087-7735193.

Labhair Gaeilge Linn: During the month of March we are embracing the Irish language in our Masses and liturgies.

Be Safe Be Seen: Although the evenings are starting to get brighter, a reminder to all leisure walkers & dog walkers, please ensure you wear a hi-viz vest while walking, especially on country roads. Be safe be seen.

Fully Escorted Trip to Medjugorje with Marian Pilgrimages, led by Sharon O Leary. Direct flights from Knock October 21st- 28th. Spiritual Director Fr Séan Sheehy and accompanied by Fr Nelson Joseph. Complete Spiritual Programme available. 7 nights' accommodation with freshly prepared breakfast and dinner each day to compliment the Irish palate! €915 per person sharing. For further information contact Sharon 086 0523014.

Afternoon Tea Dance: This Sunday 29th March from 2:00pm to 4:30pm in Cnoc na Gaoithe, Tulla. Put on your dancing shoes and join us for a wonderful afternoon of music, song and dance. Music by Larry McEvoy. Refreshments served. Admission: €5

Grow Mental Health- Friendly Community based peer support 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. Ennis Meeting- Maria Assumpta Hall. Monday 7.30pm/Tuesday 2pm. Contact Celia 086-1526966/www.grow.ie

A Walk in The Park. Mid-West Parkinsons are hosting a walk to mark Parkinsons Day on Sat 11 April at 11 am in Lees Rd. Come join us and help raise awareness and funds for this cause. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

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.

GAA Lotto: Jackpot: €20,000. Numbers drawn: 12; 14; 18; 19. No winner. €40 winners: Adrienne Hayes, Quin; Noel Harrison, Clooney; John O'Brien; Fionnula O'Sullivan, Quin P.O.; Kevin Whelan c/o Whelan's garage. Next draw Clubhouse 2nd April 2026. Jackpot: €20,000. ****Special Easter prize of €80 lucky dip next week****. Tickets available online www.clooneyquingaa.ie - purchase cut-off time 5.00pm. Also available in Gala, Quin Post Office, and Clooney Stores - purchase cut-off time 1.00pm

Thought for the Week: True friendship not only withstands adversity, it grows stronger for it.

Giving to Charity by Liam Gleeson

*It would be nice if we all gave something back,
More preferably to all those who do lack.
Like the homeless, the hungry, the depressed and the bereaved,
When their situations are fully understood, it will all be believed.*

*It matters not if the amount is too big or too small,
It will make a real difference to them all.
If a single currency from each person was got,
A massive amount would always help a lot.*

*Like a dollar from every Canadian you see,
Perhaps one Yuan Renminbi from every Chinese.
Please dig deep into your pockets so that we,
Can get as much as we can for charity.*

*Remember that we're serving the needs of others,
Like some young children and young mothers.*