

# Quin Clooney Maghera Parish Notes

## JAN 30th 2022

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Date		Anniversaries	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
Sun Jan 29 <sup>th</sup>	Clooney 7.00pm	No Intention	Catherine Ryan	Orla Hanrahan
Sun Jan 30 <sup>th</sup>	Maghera 9.30am	No Intention	Mary Whelan	Anne Daffy
Sun Jan 30 <sup>th</sup>	Quin 11.00am	John & Ciss Hastings, Feighquin & their granddaughter Erin Bentivegna. Michael Kelly, Ballyhannon (1st Anniv.) Mary Clune, Manhattan & Ballymarkham	Martha Deegan & Ann Corbett	Annette Liddy
Sat Feb 5 <sup>th</sup>	Clooney 7.00pm	Mary Mc Inerney, Clooney	Mary O’Connor	Mary O’ Connor
Sun Feb 6 <sup>th</sup>	Maghera 9.30am	No Intention	Mary Heffernan	Eileen Daly
Sun Feb 6 <sup>th</sup>	Quin 11.00am	Kathleen & Stephen Mullins, Carrowmeer	Ann Corbett & Ann Lynch	Pat O’Brien

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

**Weekly Contributions:** Amount collected €1,075. 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.

**First Friday:** Friday next February 4<sup>th</sup> is the First Friday of the month. The sick and housebound will be visited during the week. If you would like to receive the Sacraments, and are not on the list, please contact the Parish Office at 6825612.

**Candlemas Day:** Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February is Candlemas Day, the Feast of the Presentation of Jesus and the Day of Consecrated Life. The Blessing of Candles will take place at the 10am Mass in St. Mary's, Quin on Candlemas Day. Candles for both Church and home use can be left in St. Mary's church with your name on the bag. We thank all those who donate candles for use in our churches.

**Bishops' Conference & Commissions Collection:** Next weekend Feb.5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> the annual appeal for support of the Bishops' Conference & needs of the Diocese will take place. Bishop Fintan appreciates your generosity to this collection that enables the Diocese to provide Pastoral Care throughout the Diocese. There is a special white envelope with green top in your box of envelopes for this collection. You can also contribute to this collection using the Donate Button on the Diocesan Website using the special collections button. Please note the Parish is levied on this annual collection.

**COVID Protocols:** Since the government announcement on Jan. 21<sup>st</sup> 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. Please be respectful of others who come to pray in our churches

**Lourdes 2022:** It is hoped to have a Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes this year. Dates have yet to be finalised. However, given the continued presence of Covid-19 and in accordance with best practice at this time, the pilgrimage will not accommodate sick or assisted pilgrims in 2022. Sick and assisted pilgrims will be able to join the ceremonies of the pilgrimage online via the Lourdes website from the safety and comfort of their own homes. A Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes will take place in the Cathedral from 3rd to 11th February.

**New Basket Collection Envelopes:** Next Weekend Feb. 5th/6th the new contribution envelopes begin for the year 2022. Area Representatives will be distributing the envelopes in the coming week to your home. If you are not in receipt of the weekly contribution collection envelopes please contact Mary Maher at the Parish Office 6825612. We take this opportunity, during this time of the pandemic, to thank all those who have been dropping off their weekly collection envelopes to the Parish Office and those parishioners who have used and continue to use the donate button on the Killaloe Diocesan Website. All contributions are greatly appreciated.

**Church Offertory Collection:** In accordance with present Covid-19 guidelines and in the interests of public health it is not possible to have the usual basket offertory collection at weekend masses. If you wish to support the parish financially, please do so in the Collection Boxes provided at the church entrances or donate online using the Killaloe Diocesan website. We wish to thank you for your ongoing generosity and making such a huge effort to support the Parish since the onset of Covid.

**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](http://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” button on the top of the page. You will be invited to select your parish and the parish fund you wish to contribute. Your support is greatly appreciated.

**Newsletter Deadline:** If you wish to put a notice in the newsletter, please have your notice in by 12 noon on Tuesdays. Please email [quinparish@gmail.com](mailto:quinparish@gmail.com)

**Clooney National School** are now accepting enrolments for Sept 2022. Please contact the school at 065 6835806 or email [clooneyns@gmail.com](mailto:clooneyns@gmail.com) for further information

**Lotto :** Draw 27th January 2022 Jackpot: €12,800. Numbers drawn: 5; 13; 19; 26 . No winner €40 Lucky Dip winners: 1.Sinead Elia, Ballyhannon,2. Sheelagh Daffy, Carrahan;3.Steve Clune, Wexford ;4.M.B. O'Halloran, Creevaghmore; 5.Joan Casey, Clooney Next draw Online 3rd. February 2022. Jackpot: €13,000.Tickets available online - purchase cut-off time 5.00pm. Tickets also available in Crowes, Quin Post Office and Clooney Stores - purchase cut-off time 1.00pm For all up-to-date news you can follow us on Facebook, Twitter or visit [www.clooneyquingaa.ie](http://www.clooneyquingaa.ie). We thank you for your continued support. Go raibh maith agaibh as bhur dtacaíocht leanúnach

#### **The Kiss of Spring**

Such is the grip of winter – we long to escape;  
such is the darkness of winter – we yearn for the sun.  
Yet, in the grip of darkness  
restless seeds struggle towards the light;  
from the darkness of the earth buds will burst forth  
and dull landscapes will be splashed with colour.  
Spring invites us into expectation,  
Kisses us in anticipation,  
Awakens us from the quiet months  
And enlivens our yearning hearts.  
As life breaks out from the earth  
The Lord of Spring, Working in our hearts  
calls us to new birth.  
As life breaks out from the earth The Lord of Spring,  
Working in our church, Calls us to new hope.  
As life breaks out from the earth  
the Lord of Spring, working in our world,  
calls us to new vitality  
Author unknown.

#### **Thought for the Week**

There is nothing more perfect or pure than God's unconditional, unfailing love for you.