## Quin Clooney Maghera Parish Notes Oct 31<sup>st</sup> 2021

Date		Anniversaries	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
Sat. Oct 30 <sup>th</sup>	Clooney 7.00pm	John Gallagher, Moyreisk. Michael Clune, Toonagh.	Chris Quigney	Claire Murphy
Sun Oct 31 <sup>st</sup>	Maghera 9.30am	Pa Murphy & his parents Joe & Bridie, Derryhalla	Mary Whelan	Mary Casey
Sun Oct 31 <sup>st</sup>	Quin 11.00am	Annette Gallagher McClean, Alister McClean & Paddy Galla- gher, Quin.	Pauline Hogan & Pat Philips	Nita Enright
Mon Nov 1 <sup>st</sup>	Quin 7pm	Bereavement Mass		
Tue Nov 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Quin 10am	All Souls Day		
Fri Nov 5 <sup>th</sup>	Quin 10am	Holy Souls		
Sat. Nov 6 <sup>th</sup>	Clooney 7.00pm	Holy Souls	Tom Larkin	John Condon
Sun Nov 7 <sup>th</sup>	Maghera 9.30am	Holy Souls	Flan Hassett	Maureen Corbett
Sun Nov 7 <sup>th</sup>	Quin 11.00am	Michael Donnellan, Cragataska. John Herlihy, Quin Gardens. Niall Phillips, Quin.	Deirdre Meaney & Colette Colleran	Colette Colleran

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

Rest In Peace: Pauline Smith, Co. Westmeath, sister of Martina Larkin, Clooney.

Mary Coughlan, Kildysart, Mother of Mary Cronin, Ballyhannon.

Weekly Contributions: Amount collected €945. 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.

October Mission Month: On behalf of Pope Francis, thank you for supporting World Mission Sunday last weekend. The kindness shown means that overseas missionaries can continue to share the love of God with some of the world's most marginalised and vulnerable people. If you were away or forgot this special collection last weekend, you can place the envelope for this collection in your box of envelopes (white envelope with purple top), into the box at entrances of Church porches or drop off to the Parish House. We thank those who subscribed so generously to this collection last weekend.

**First Friday:** Friday next Nov. 5th is the First Friday of the month. The sick and housebound will be visited by a priest of the Pastoral Area.

**Holy Souls:** Throughout the month of November Masses will be offered for the Holy Souls. Please use the special white envelope in your box of envelopes for your list of deceased and place in the box at the entrance of church porches.

**Blessing of Graves:** This year the blessing of graves will take place on two Sundays, Nov. 7th & 14th. On Nov. 7th the following graves will be blessed at the following times. Maghera after 9:30am Mass. Priests' Graves, Quin Abbey and St. Finnean's will take place after the 11am Mass in Quin. On Sunday Nov. 14th at 2pm Kildrum Graveyard and at 3pm Clooney Graveyard.

**Special Trocaire Collection:** Next weekend Nov. 6th/7th there will be a special collection for Trocaire. At a recent Bishops' Conference the Bishops' decided that all Churches on the Island of Ireland would hold this special appeal. They have expressed their deep concern for the number of people worldwide threatened by humanitarian crises, which are driven by the triple threat of the Covid-19 pandemic, conflict and climate change. The people of East Africa, where up to 30 million people in Somalia, Ethiopia, Sudan, South Sudan, Kenya, Uganda, and the Democratic Republic of the Congo face life threatening food shortages. For this collection there will be a special bucket at entrances and exits of our Churches where you can leave a donation to help alleviate this humanitarian crisis in East Africa. We thank you in advance for your generosity to this collection.

Quin, Clooney, Maghera Parish Annual Remembrance Mass: will take place on Monday the 1st November 2021 at 7pm in St. Mary's Church, Quin. We will remember all our dead but especially those in our Parish who have been bereaved during the past year. The names of the deceased will be read out at the beginning of the Mass. The lights on the Remembrance Tree will be switched on before mass on the 1st November and will remain lit until the 6th January 2022. Each individual light is a symbol of our loved ones. There will be no lighting of individual candles at the Mass. A candle for each church will be lit and placed on the altar. Please join us at St. Marys Church Quin – 1st November 2021 at 7pm. (organised by the Parish Bereavement Group).

**Pastoral Council:** A meeting of the Pastoral Council will take place on this Monday Nov. 1st at 8pm in St. Mary's Church, Quin. All members are encouraged to attend.

St. Stephen's Church Maghera: As we have informed you over the past several weeks, works on the roof of St. Stephen's Church, Maghera are now completed. The cost to repair the roof came in at €47,159.25. This price came in at approximately €3,000 less than the original quote. During the year, two bequests were left to the Parish, one at €19,084.45 and the other at €1,811.24. Both of these bequests went towards the cost of repairing the roof. The Parish applied to the Heritage Grant and Historic Structures Fund and a grant was given for €10,000 towards the cost of the roof repairs. This left the Parish with a shortfall of €16,263.56 to pay. To date €8,640.00 has been donated by the people of the Parish towards this shortfall. We thank the many people who have made one off donations towards this shortfall and your support is greatly appreciated for this project. This week we would like to thank and acknowledge the donations of €30 & €100

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 — <a href="https://www.killalodiocese.ie">www.killalodiocese.ie</a>. 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.

**COVID Protocols:** As you are aware since the 22nd October Religious Services can proceed without capacity limits but with all other protective measures remaining in place. This means that in our churches face masks should continue to be worn, social distancing continue to be observed and hand sanitizing to continue on entering and leaving the church. Please be respectful of others who come to pray in our churches.

**Newsletter Deadline:** If you wish to put a notice in the newsletter, please have your notice in by 12 noon on Tuesdays. Please email <a href="mailto:quinparish@gmail.com">quinparish@gmail.com</a>.

**Quin Heritage Group:** A new website was recently launched by Quin Heritage Group. It gathers the history and folklore of Quin and the surrounding areas into one site. Included is a half hour video of the area and several interviews with Quin elders. Most recently a 50 page cultural report on Quin has been published. Please go to <a href="mailto:quinheritage.ie">quinheritage.ie</a> to view.

**Quin Tidy Towns:** It has been noticed that some people are not acting responsibly at our bottle bank near Malachy's. Last Thursday morning approximately 100 bottles were abandoned loosely and in cardboard boxes between the timber fence and the containers and it means that somebody else has to put them into the various receptacles. The fencing that was erected to improve this area cost time and money and it's very disappointing for all involved in Tidy Towns to see it being abused.

**Evelyn McMahon, School of Speech & Drama:** Classes available for primary and secondary school pupils. For further information, Tel 085 1884158

Lotto Draw 28<sup>th</sup> October 2021: Jackpot: €10,400. Numbers drawn: 7; 13; 28; 31. No winner. €40 Winners: Eamon Murphy, Rylane; Neil Doherty, Spancilhill; Aoine Mahony, Creevagh Beg; Mary Liddy, N-O-F; Pat Stafford, Clooney. Next draw Online 4<sup>th</sup> November 2021. Jackpot:€10,600. 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 <a href="www.clooneyquingaa.ie">www.clooneyquingaa.ie</a>. We thank you for your continued support. Go raibh maith agaibh as bhur dtacaíocht leanúnach.