

# Parish of Quin-Clooney-Maghera

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Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2016

## Second Sunday of Christmas

### ANNIVERSARIES

Sat. 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan. (Clooney), 7.00 p.m.  
Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan. (Quin), 11.00 a.m.  
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**Patrick & Mary Brohan**, Cranagher.  
(*Month's Mind*) **Noel Murphy**, Knocknagoug.  
**Michael & Anne Kelleher**; **Peter Kelleher** &  
his daughter, **Sheila Considine**.  
**Tim & Ann Halpin**, Toonagh.  
**Betty & Willie Joe Corbett**, Maghera.  
**Michael McCormack**, Ballyegan, Birr.  
**Mary & Thomas Rice**, Mooghaun.  
(*Month's Mind*), **Bridget O'Dwyer**, Ballykilty.

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Tom Moroney**, Spencilhill, who died last week.

**Weekday Mass**, Coming week: **Monday** 4<sup>th</sup> Jan. – **9.00am**; **Tuesday & Wednesday**,  
5/6<sup>th</sup> Jan. – see below. **Thursday & Friday**, 7/8<sup>th</sup> Jan. – **7.30pm** each day.

### Epiphany

*Wednesday next, 6<sup>th</sup> January, is the Feast of the Epiphany or "Little Christmas"*  
The word *Epiphany* means "*manifestation*", confirming Jesus as the Messiah, the Son of God.  
The Feast also commemorates the adoration of the child Jesus by the wise men from  
the East (*Magi*). It is a Holyday of Obligation. Mass in the parish as follows:

CLOONEY (Vigil Mass, 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan.) 7.00pm	QUIN 7.30pm
(R)* Brid McMahan (EM) Catherine Ryan	(R) Robert Downes (EM) Mary O'Halloran

\* (R) - Reader; (EM) - Eucharistic Minister.

**Pray & Play** - Leaders, **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> Jan.:** **Team 2** – Elaine Downey, Lianda D'Auria, Mary McMahon.

**Offertory Donations;** (*Parish administration, maintenance of church buildings, insurance, etc.*).  
We wish to acknowledge with thanks the generosity of parishioners in their contributions towards  
parish funds, obtained at all three parish churches over the Christmas period. The amounts  
collected were as follows: **weekend 19/20<sup>th</sup> Dec. - €1395.** **Christmas (24/25<sup>th</sup> Dec) - €3590;**  
**weekend, 26/27<sup>th</sup> Dec. - €835.** And from parishioners via Doora/Barefield parish - **€255.**  
Tellers: **Quin**, Sunday next, 10<sup>th</sup> January: Mary Moloney & Mary Maher.

**Pastoral Visits** - Fr. McCormack will carry out visits to parishioners who are sick and  
housebound on the afternoon of **Friday next, 8<sup>th</sup> January** (- postponed from the *First Friday*).

NEXT WEEKEND .....

Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
<b>Clooney – 7pm</b> Saturday Vigil, 9 <sup>th</sup> January.	<i>Padraig Grogan</i>	<i>Joseph Daffy</i>
<b>Maghera – 9.30am</b> Sunday, 10 <sup>th</sup> January	<i>Vincent O'Halloran</i>	<i>Eileen Daly</i>
<b>Quin – 11am</b> Sunday, 10 <sup>th</sup> January	<i>Annette Egan &amp; Pauline Hogan</i>	<i>Pauline Clune &amp; Joe Brennan</i>
<b>Please note :</b> <i>Eucharistic Adoration, Quin church, Thursday next (and every Thursday) 7<sup>th</sup> January, all day from 9.30am.. Benediction at 7.15pm, Mass at 7.30pm.</i>		

**New Year Walk** - The annual Quin Fun Walk in aid of the charity, **Cancer Care West**, takes  
place **this Sunday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>**, starting Malachy's car park at **1.00pm**. The walk – on a loop,  
out of, and back to the village – is about 7km in length. **Cancer Care West** is a non-profit  
organisation dedicated to supporting those whose lives have been affected by a cancer  
diagnosis. Any donation welcome. Why not come along for the good company and the post-  
Christmas exercise. More details: – Nollie 086 8125840.

**Senior Help Line:** Do you need someone to talk to? *Senior Help Line* is a confidential listening  
service for older people, provided by trained older volunteers – and its cost is no more than the  
price of a local call anywhere in Ireland (LoCall **1850 440 444**). *Senior Help Line* is open every  
day of the year from 10am to 10pm. A small number are experiencing elder abuse. Some feel  
depressed and need support to carry on. *Senior Help Line's* trained older volunteers offer a  
friendly, listening and non-judgmental ear to all callers. So don't be alone with your problem.

**Holy Year:** Back in 1950 which the Pope of the time (Pius XII) declared a *Holy Year*, it inspired  
Catholics all over the world to make pilgrimages to Rome, the Eternal City, the focus of the Year's  
devotion and celebration. Many thousands came from Ireland, travelling by various means at a  
time of great privation globally (- only five years after the end of World War II). Several Irish  
people travelled by bicycle, taking weeks to get there and back, and some hardy souls even *walked*  
all the way to Rome as part of their personal pilgrimage.  
No such hardship is expected – or advisable – in this Holy Year of 2016. Many will, however, go  
on pilgrimage for the first time to various places of prayer, including Rome. Cheap air travel,  
certainly not available in 1950, can now be availed of by everyone, and travel companies look after  
every detail of accommodation and travel in their package deals. The Diocese of Killaloe will  
have several such organised pilgrimages - to Rome, Lourdes, Fatima, the Holy Land (Israel),  
Medjugorje, etc. and many parish groups will be organised to avail of such offers. Further details  
of these pilgrimages will be supplied in forthcoming issues of the Newsletter.

**Quin Stepfitt** - A 6-week fitness programme, comprising step aerobics and step circuits, at Quin  
Community Centre, commences on Wednesday **13th January**. Spaces limited. For bookings,  
contact Clare on 087-6855569.

**Clooney-Quin GAA; Results,** LOTTO Draw, 31<sup>st</sup> Dec. Numbers drawn: **15-20-22-30**. No  
Winner. Jackpot next week: €3800. Lucky Dip (€40) Winners: Conor Clune, Quin; Laura  
Stephens, Quin; Colm Murray, Spencilhill; Freya Cormican, c/o Sean Earls; Donal O'Brien,  
Kilmurry. **Draw** for County Board 2016 Tickets: Garret Hassett, Quin; Amanda Twomey,  
Milltown; Francis Browne, Quin; Bridie Boyle, *Abbey Stores; Dobbie*, Quin.