Parish of Quin-Clooney-Machera

ABBEY CLUSTER - DIOCESE OF KILLALOE

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Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> February 2016 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## ANNIVERSARIES

|Sat. 6<sup>th</sup> Feb. (Clooney) 7.00 p.m. |Sat. 6<sup>th</sup> Feb. (Clooney) ,7.00 p.m. |Sat. 6<sup>th</sup> Feb. (Clooney), 7.00 p.m., Sun. 7<sup>th</sup> Feb, (Quin), 11.00 a.m. Michael Power, Toonagh. Ann McCarthy, Toonagh. Mary McInerney, Rathclooney. Joe McNamara & deceased family members, Ballyhickey. Michael O'Neill (Sr.) & Michael O'Neill (Jr.), Feighquin.

Sun 14<sup>th</sup> Feb. (Quin), 11.00 a.m.

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of the following who died recently:

- **Eileen Ryan**, London, formerly of Cragataska, Quin, (Interred at Quin Abbey).
- Ronnie Phillips, Clareview, Limerick; brother of Eugene Phillips, Quingardens, Quin. Removal this Sunday at 6.30pm to Christ the King Church, Caherdavin. Burial Castlemungret, after 11.30am Mass on Monday..

## Lent

Wednesday next, 10<sup>th</sup> February is ASH WEDNESDAY, the first day of Lent. Mass in Quin at **7.30pm**. Holy ashes will be distributed during Mass.

The season of Lent is a period of preparation for Easter, the great feast of the Christian calendar. The Gospel tells us how to approach the renewal of our lives during Lent. It puts before us the remedy of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. These three strands of Lenten observance are as ancient as Christianity itself.

Ash Wednesday is a day of Fast and Abstinence. (Along with Good Friday, it is the only other day in the year when the rules of fasting and abstinence apply).

Mass in Quin, next week, Monday – Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> Feb.: **7.30pm** each day.

**<u>Pray & Play</u>**: Leadery, Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> February; Siobhán Hammond, Lynda Burton, Una Clune..

**<u>Confirmation 2016</u>**: The four-week "You Shall be my Witness" programme for Confirmation Students from Scoil na Mainistreach, Quin/Dangan, and Clooney National Schools, commenced last Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> February, at Scoil na Mainistreach (new building). It will continue

at the same venue, from **7.30pm to 8.30pm** on Thursday next, 11<sup>th</sup> February, and Thursdays, 25<sup>th</sup> February and 3<sup>rd</sup> March. Any queries, contact Melanie Hassett at 087 2750541.

Offertory Donations: (To cover administration costs, upkeep of parish

property, insurance, etc.

Last Week, 30/31<sup>st</sup> January (3 churches): **€1160.** Tellers: **Quin**, Sunday next, 14<sup>th</sup> Feb: - *Veronica Kelly & Kay O'Shaughnessy* 

Matt Talbot Novena: The annual Matt Talbot Novena commences in Tulla on Wednesday

next, 10<sup>th</sup> February at 7.00pm. It will continue each Wednesday throughout Lent (7pm each evening). The guest this week will be Fr. Pat O'Neill who will speak on "*The Story of the Rosary*"

Lenten Reflections. A one-page reflection on the Gospel of each of the six Sundays of Lent

- beginning today - and called *Hearing, Happening, Hoping*, can be downloaded from the Killaloe Diocesan website: <u>www.killaloediocese.ie/diocesan-news/hearing-happening;hoping-2016.html</u>

Asthma Society - The churchgate collection in the parish this weekend is in aid of the

*Asthma Society of Ireland*, an organisation whose mission is to improve the health and well-being of people with asthma, through advocacy, awareness, education and research. Anyone can develop asthma. It is particularly common in Ireland, where over 470,000 adults and children have the condition. Your support is much appreciated.

NEXT WEEKEND.....

Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
<b>CLOONEY – 7.00pm</b> Sat. Vigil, 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Eoin Conheady	Rebecca O'Neill
MAGHERA – 9.30am Sunday, 14 <sup>th</sup> February	Anne Daffy	Bridie Murphy
QUIN - 11.00am	Nita Enright &	Tom Frain &
Sunday, 14 <sup>th</sup> February	Frank Monahan	Joanne O'Brien.
<u>Please note</u> : Eucharistic Adoration, Quin church, every Thursday, from 9.30am. Vigil will conclude with Benediction at 7.15pm and Mass at 7.30pm.		

**Support Group** – Aware Depression Support Group meets every Tuesday at 8.00pm at the

Day Hospital, Ennis General, Gort Road, Ennis. *Aware* Support Groups are free to attend. No referral necessary. More information: <u>www.aware.ie</u>.

Holy Year & Diocesan Pilgrimage: This year marks the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the first

Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes (in 1956). Of course it is also happens to be a Holy Year, decreed by Pope Francis. Could there be a better time to make your first (- or second, or third) pilgrimage to that special place of prayer and healing?. The flight will depart from Shannon on  $26^{th}$  June, direct to Lourdes, for six nights. All inclusive cost is €687 pps (with discount for on-line booking at <u>www.joewalshtours.ie</u>). Places limited. Early booking advised.

Box of Envelopes: The members of the Parish Council have now completed the distribution

of the Boxes of Numbered Envelopes – for use in parish collections during the coming year. Each box also contained a confidential report of financial contributions made in respect of each family

in 2015. If you were expecting – and failed to receive - one of these boxes, and intend to continue your contributions, please accept our apologies. The Parish Secretary will correct the omission if you leave a message on the recorder of phone (065) 6825612.

House Rail Sale - Come bag a bargain at Carrigoran House Rail Sale on Sunday, 21st

<u>February</u>, from **1.00pm**. Interested in taking a Rail? - contact 061-368100. All proceeds go to the <u>Alzheimer</u> and <u>Elderly Care</u> Units, Carrigoran Nursing Home, (Newmarket-on-Fergus).

<u>Clooney-Quin GAA</u>; Results, LOTTO DRAW, 4<sup>th</sup> February. Numbers drawn:

**11-18-22-23.** No Winner. Jackpot next week: €4,550. Lucky Dip (€40) Winners: Mary O'Halloran, Kildrum; Noreen Dillon, c/o Data Display; Aidan Duggan, Castlefergus; Cathal Hannon, Carrowroe; Donal O'Brien, Cullane.;

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