

Quin Clooney Maghera Parish Notes

Feb 11th 2024 - 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Date		Anniversaries	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers	Tellers
Sat Feb 10 th	Clooney 7.00pm	No Intention	Bridie McNamara	Orla Considine	
Sun Feb 11 th	Maghera 9.30am	No Intention	Mary Whelan	Anne Daffy	
Sun Feb 11 th	Quin 11.00am	John & Eileen Hassett, Ballyhannon Michael O'Neill Snr & Michael O'Neill Jnr, Feighquin	Pauline Hogan & Pat Phillips	Elaine Downey	Grainne O'Keeffe & Anita Clune
Tues Feb 13 th	Clooney 6.45pm	Mary McMahan, Spancilhill, Monthsmind			
Sat Feb 17 th	Quin 12:00pm	Michael McNamara, Corbally, Monthsmind			
Sat Feb 17 th	Clooney 7.00pm	Paddy McMahan, Spancilhill, 1 st Anniversary	Chris Quigney	John Condon	
Sun Feb 18 th	Maghera 9.30am	Joe & Bridie Murphy, Derry-halla	Mary Heffernan	Eileen Daly	
Sun Feb 18 th	Quin 11.00am	Maureen Quinlivan, Carhugar, Monthsmind Pat Callaghan, Ballykilty	Deirdre Meaney & Colette Colleran	Maureen McKeogh	Carol O'Reilly & Bart O'Brien
Fri Feb 23 rd	Maghera 7.30pm	JohnJoe O'Halloran, Maghera, Monthsmind			

Daily Mass: St Mary's Church Quin Mon- Fri 10am.

Weekly Contributions: Amount Collected €700. The Parish Council 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.

Rest in Peace: Please remember in your prayers Willie Slattery, Moyriesk Hill who died during the week.

Pastoral Council: The next meeting of the Pastoral Council will take place this Monday night 12th at 8pm in the meeting room of St Mary's Church Quin. We ask all members to attend please.

Children's Liturgy Leaders for Sunday Feb 11th - Team 3: Nicola Killeen, Dawn Reynolds, Hannah McInerney. **Sunday Feb 18th - Team 4:** Claire O'Halloran, Áine Costello, Donna Lyttle.

The Annual Matt Talbot Novena: will return on Ash Wednesday, 14th February 2024 at 7:00PM in Tulla Church with Mass and Benediction. Bishop Fintan Monahan will open the novena and distribution of ashes will take place at this mass. Attending this Novena could be your Lenten resolution.

Quin Tidy Towns: As Spring approaches and the evenings gets brighter let us all be mindful of our responsibility to keep our village as clean and as tidy as we can in 2024. Our AGM will take place on Monday night, Feb 12th at 7.30 pm in the Community Centre. Please come along as this is your opportunity to have your say and to make a suggestion on any aspect of caring for your local environment. We always need people to help us in different areas so if you can spare an hour a week, please make an offer. Thank you. The Pre-Loved Fashion Show Committee are still accepting good quality clothing etc for the show on March 3rd so remember to drop them off at the Community Centre every Sat between 11 - 12 noon and on Thursdays between 3 - 4pm. This is a very worthwhile initiative for supporting Sustainability and the circular economy.

Split the pot: Congratulations to this weeks Split the Pot winner Noreen O'Brien €62. Next draw Tuesday February 13th. Envelopes for split the pot can be filled in in Costcutter, The Abbey Tavern, The Village Inn, Abbey express laundry, Quin post office and a taste of Quin. "Be in to win".

Mass for Temperance Sunday & World Day of Prayer for the Sick will be broadcast this Sunday 11 February 2024 at 11am on RTÉ TV & Radio. **Temperance Sunday:** As we embrace another Lenten season, the Pioneer Association invite people to take a temporary pledge for Lent, to abstain from alcohol. For more details, visit the Pioneer Association website, www.pioneers.ie.

Clare Older People's Volunteer of the Year Award 2024: The search is on again to recognise those who give their time, energy and skills to help others in the local community. For a nomination form please email: agefriendlyclare@clarecoco.ie or telephone (065) 6846240 or visit www.clarecoco.ie/services/community/age-friendly-programme/age-friendly-county/ Nomination forms must be submitted by **Friday 1st March 2024.**

Diocesan Needs Appeal: Thank you for your generosity to last week's appeal from Bishop Fintan for your support in helping the needs of the church at both Diocesan and National level.

Trocaire: The annual Trocaire Lenten campaign begins on Ash Wednesday. Trocaire is the Irish word for Mercy. For the past 51 years Irish people have shown great Trocaire to people who are poor and suffering all over the world. Trocaire boxes are now available in all our churches. Remember that you cannot get to heaven without a letter of reference from the poor.

Daily Lenten Messages: Brief (less than one minute) daily multi-media spiritual reflections from Bishop Fintan will be available on the various social media platforms every day for Lent, Holy Week and the Easter Octave. Subscribe (at no cost – just click on the subscribe button) to <https://www.youtube.com/@BishopFintanMonahan> to keep up to date with many events around the diocese and beyond.

A Day of Fast and Abstinence: There are two days each year in the Catholic Faith that we are asked to fast and abstain - Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting means that one full meatless meal can be eaten in the day. Two other meatless meals may be taken to maintain strength but together they should not exceed one full meal. Those in good health between the age of 18 until 59 are asked to observe the fast.

Ash Wednesday and the Lenten season: This year Ash Wednesday falls on Valentine's Day. Lent comes from the word Lenten, the beginning of the new season of Spring, longer days. In our Christian tradition we are encouraged to reflect on the meaning of our Christian calling and also to deal with personal obstacles that hinder our spiritual growth. Beginning with Ash Wednesday, one of the more popular rituals, the reception of ashes, to remind us of our mortal fate and also in preparation for the feast of the Resurrection when Christ conquers death. The blessing and distribution of Ashes will take place at the 10am Mass in St Mary's Church Quin on Ash Wednesday.

Lourdes: . An invitation is now issued to the Diocese of Killaloe to come on pilgrimage to Lourdes from Friday 21st June to Wednesday 26th June. Cost 899pp sharing. Booking can be made with joewalstours.ie or 01 2410800. The Diocese will be able to bring 24 assisted pilgrims, for more information on this section contact Fr Tom Ryan, 087 2349816 or tfryan.ennis@gmail.com.

GAA Lotto: Draw 8th February 2024: Jackpot: €20,000.00. Numbers drawn: 13; 18; 24; 29. No Winner. **€40 winners:** Elizabeth Jones; Tom Guilfoyle, Knocknagoug; Martha Deegan, Ballyhickey; Emma McNamara; Gemma Hassett, Quin; **Next draw Clubhouse 15th February 2024. Jackpot: €20,000.** Tickets available online www.clooneyquingaa.ie - purchase cut-off time 5.00pm. Also available in **Costcutter, Quin Post Office, and Clooney Stores** - purchase cut-off time 1.00pm. We thank you for your continued support. Go raibh maith agaibh as bhur dtacaíocht leanúnach