

# Quin Clooney Maghera Parish Notes

## January 17<sup>th</sup> 2021

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Masses:		Anniversaries
Sat. Jan.16 <sup>th</sup>	Clooney 7.00pm	No Mass
Sun. Jan 17 <sup>th</sup>	Maghera 9:30am	No Mass
Sun. Jan 17 <sup>th</sup>	Quin 11:00am	Karen O’Brien—O’Halloran (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary).  Johnno McMahon, Clooney.  Tim & Anne Halpin, Toonagh.
Mon.– Fri - Jan 18 <sup>th</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup>	Quin 10am	Private Intentions
Sat. Jan 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Clooney 7.00pm	No Mass
Sun. Jan 24 <sup>th</sup>	Maghera 9:30am	No Mass
Sun. Jan 24 <sup>th</sup>	Quin 11:00am	Frances Garvey, Ennis and Carrahan (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary).  Eamon Carey, Clooney.  Marie Walsh, Feenagh & Ennis (M.M).  Pat Liddy, Muckinish, Spencilhill (M.M).

**All Masses in Quin via Parish Webcam & Parish Radio Link.**

**Rest In Peace:** Andy Callinan, Sixmilebridge, brother of Pauline Hogan, Knappogue. Carmel Moorhead nee Flannery, Cheshire U.K. and late of Mause, Quin, sister of Anthony Flannery, Mause, Quin & Michael Flannery, Kilmurry.

**Daily Mass:** (Quin) Mon—Fri: 10am

**Weekly Contributions:** Amount Collected from Jan 7<sup>th</sup>—Jan 13<sup>th</sup>, €340. Contributions can be left in the Parish Office during these times 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.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** The Weekly Adoration that takes place on Thursdays in St. Mary’s Church, Quin will cease due to current restrictions. A Holy Hour will take place every Thursday instead from 12 noon-1pm. This Holy Hour can be viewed on the Parish Webcam or tuned into on the Parish Radio Link.

**Samaritans** Ennis and Clare are currently recruiting new volunteers. Everybody is welcome to apply. For information please log on to [volunteer.samaritans.org](http://volunteer.samaritans.org), text 085 176 3491 or email [samaritansrecruitmentennis@gmail.com](mailto:samaritansrecruitmentennis@gmail.com).

**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.killaloe-diocese.ie](http://www.killaloe-diocese.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 to. Your support is greatly appreciated

**Booking of Mass Intentions:** Please give two weeks notice when booking a Mass intention. One intention will be taken for weekday Masses and for Sunday's NO more than three family intentions will be taken. Please ring the Parish Office during office hours 11am-5pm at (065) 6825612. If there is no answer please leave name, date that you would like and contact number and we will get back to you. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

**Contribution Boxes for 2021:** Will be distributed by the end of the month. Thank you to all who contributed during the year of 2020. Your generosity during these difficult times is much appreciated. Parishioners who received boxes numbered 551-600 will receive a different number for this year as we are recycling dormant numbers. Any Parishioner who is not in receipt of contribution boxes and would like to receive the same, please contact the Parish Office at 065-6825612 or Fr. Tom at 087-2285355.

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity:** This year from the 18th-25th of January, the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is held. The theme for this year is 'Abide in My Love...You Shall bear much Fruit'. This theme was discerned by the Monastic Community of Grandchamp in Switzerland and finds its origin in the Gospel of John (Jn15:5-9). In choosing this theme, the Community of Grandchamp desired to share the experience and wisdom of their contemplative life abiding in the love of God and keeping His commandment of 'loving one another as He has loved us'.

**COVID-19 Support Line for Older People:** ALONE manages a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm by calling 0818 222 024.

**Sunday of the Word of God:** At the end of the Year of Mercy, Pope Francis proposed setting aside a Sunday given entirely to the Word of God. He declared that the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time which this year will be celebrated next Sunday 24 January 2021. This Sunday is to be devoted to the celebration, study, dissemination of the Word of God. He notes this as a fitting time to 'strengthen our bonds with the Jewish people and to pray for Christian unity'.

#### Scripture Thoughts

Paul in his letter to the Corinthians reminds us that it is most important to live out of a deep-felt conviction that we belong to God. We are also reminded that we house the Holy Spirit who always directs us to listen to God. Samuel is a prime example of one who heard the Spirit of God calling him. After he is directed by others, he learns how to respond to the call of God and that is by readily responding: “Here I am.” The disciples of John are told to follow Jesus, the Lamb of God. They likewise hear the call and respond by following Christ. We are invited each day to spend time with Christ. Doing so, we will be invited to follow Christ in our teaching, leading, organizing, refurbishing, etc. Christ invites us to follow fully, with all of our being

***As we begin the Ordinary Time of life, we are reminded that it is not an ordinary task to bring the word of Christ to others.***

***Pause to reflect on how you carry out the Word of God to your family, your friends, your co-workers. Decide to do better tomorrow.***

#### Thought For The Week

***Life is a learning process, and making decisions is how we learn.  
If we never faced big decisions, we'd never learn any big lessons.***