

# Quin Clooney Maghera Parish Notes

## July 19th 2020

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Masses:		Anniversaries:	Eucharistic Ministers:	Readers:
Sat. July 18th	Clooney 7pm	Tim & Anne Halpin, Toonagh		
Sun. July 19th	Maghera 9.30am			
Sun. July 19th	Quin 11am	Michael Slattery, Ennis		
Mon. July 20th	Quin 7pm	Private Intentions		
Tues. July 21st	Quin 10am	Private Intentions		
Weds. July 22th	Quin 10am	Private Intentions		
Thurs. July 23rd	Quin 10am	Niall Phillips, Birthday Remembrance.		
Fri. July 24th	Quin 7pm	Private Intentions		
Sat. July 25th	Clooney 7pm		Catherine Ryan	Pamela McGrath
Sun. July 26th	Maghera 9.30am		Mary Corbett	John O’Sullivan
Sun. July 26th	Quin 11am	Jimmy & Nellie Duggan, Castlefergus	Martha Deegan & Ann Corbett	Deirdre Clune

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

**Rest In Peace:** Mattie Costello, Rathclooney

**Daily Mass:** (Quin) Mon & Fri: 7pm, Tues-Thurs: 10 am

**Weekly Contributions:** Collected from July 8th—July — €1040 Weekly Contributions can be left in the box at the entrance of the Churches. The Parish Council continues to thank all who leave contribution to the Parish Office at this time. Your generosity is much appreciated.

**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. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter

**Return to Public Masses:** We warmly welcome everybody back. We are concerned for the safety of everybody and it is important to remember that the obligation to attend Mass in person was lifted at the start of the pandemic and will continue for some time to come. If you do not feel safe or confident coming to Mass in person, you are most welcome to continue to join us for Mass on line or via parish radio. Seating capacity in all our Churches will be reduced. Numbers will vary in each church according to capacity.

**On-line Donations to Parish:** The on-line donations facility on the Diocesan Website is now operational which enables parishioners to make on-line contributions to their own individual parish. Log on to [www.killalodiocese.ie](http://www.killalodiocese.ie) and using the Donate button, select your own parish to make your contribution.

Donations to parish funds, priests collections or other special collections can be accommodated. This is an additional facility which will work in tandem with parish websites where separate on-line donation facilities are currently operating. We hope that you will find this service useful for your ongoing support which is greatly appreciated.

**Weekly GAA Lotto:** Weekly lotto draw results - Thursday 16th July 2020. Numbers drawn: **5; 9; 25; 32.** No jackpot winner. €40 winners: 1. Ina Crowley, Quin; 2. Fergal Croke, Quin; 3. Martin Clune, Crowhill ; 4. Cillian Duggan, Spencilhill ; 5. Frank Enright, Quin. Next draw - Online 23rd July 7.30pm. Tickets available online - purchase cut-off time 5.00pm. Tickets now also available in Crowes, Quin Post Office and Clooney Stores - purchase cut-off time 1.00pm. Jackpot: €16,000. For all up to date news you can follow us on Facebook, Twitter or visit [www.clooneyquingaa.ie](http://www.clooneyquingaa.ie), we thank you for your continued support. Go raibh maith agaibh as bhur dtacaíocht leanúnach

## **Céad Fáilte – We've Missed Each Other!**

### **A Message from Bishop Fintan and the Diocesan Pastoral Council**

Dear Friends

What strange times we find ourselves living in! An invisible virus has changed our world and our lives. We don't shake hands. We keep our distance. For many weeks, we were unable to visit relatives and friends, including those who were sick or vulnerable. Grandparents and grandchildren missed each other. Children missed their friends and teachers. We've missed being together as Christian communities.

It's our nature as a Church to gather. This is what we do. It's who we are. Like the early Christians, we gather on Sundays knowing the Risen Christ is present among us when we gather in His name. We thank our priests and lay people for their work during the lockdown, finding creative ways to make the Mass available at home through local radio, Facebook and webcams. But we have missed coming together as a community to celebrate the Eucharist. So, it is good for us to gather, even with limitations on numbers. We can now look towards future community gatherings, to celebrate the Eucharist, baptisms, First Holy Communion, Confirmation, weddings and to remember our dead.

Despite the difficulties we've lived through, there is a lot to be grateful for. We owe so much to our health care workers and to those who kept all essential services going. We thank the Lord for the goodness of so many generous, brave people who have given so much, often putting themselves and their families at risk. They are the face of Christ for us. Times of crisis brings out the best in people. People have stayed at home and stayed apart because it saves lives and lessens suffering. All age groups, young and old, have shown that they care for each other. We acknowledge the collaboration of many people across the Diocese who have prepared our churches so that we can come together safely.

These past months have been a time of worry, but they have also been a time of learning new ways of doing things, new behaviours, new approaches. It has also been a time of coming back to what matters in our lives, to what sustains us when the chips are down, to questioning what values we want for our communities and our society.

As faith communities, we are walking together into a changed time. In March, the Diocese had started a process of thinking and envisioning possibilities for the future. Like everything else this had to be put on hold. But the challenge remains of sustaining our Christian communities, of going further as people of faith and hope, as people called to make visible something of God's love and compassion in the places where we live. In the coming year, the Bishop and Diocesan Pastoral Council will invite all of us to be part of thinking about these challenges and planning the path forward together.

All of that is in the future. For now, we must continue to care for and support each other. As Christian communities, let us keep reaching out to each other, and to our neighbours, with encouragement, with practical help and with prayer. And let us remember: 'the Church does not close, only the building closes; because we are the Church, the living body of Christ, and we are everywhere'.

### **Thought For The Week**

**It's not always what you say that makes the difference;  
sometimes it's the way you say it.**