

Quin Clooney Maghera Parish Notes

April 25th 2021

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Masses:		Anniversaries
Sun. April 25th	Quin 11:00am	Jerry Murphy, M.M. "Rooska House" Quin 2 Tommy O'Brien, Quinville ; Elizabeth Flaherty, Limerick
Mon April 26th	Quin 10am	Private Intentions
Tues .April 27th	Quin 10:00am	Special Intention
Weds. April 28th	Quin 10.00am	Seamus O'Connell, Dublin and Ennis
Thurs. April 29th	Quin 10.00am	Special Intention
Fri. April 30th	Quin 10.00am	Mary (Moll) Condon, Cork
Sun. May 2nd	Quin 11.00am	Stephen & Nora Daffy, Rathclooney & their Daughter Marian Meehan & their Son in law Seamus Cahir

No Masses in Clooney or Maghera during these times of restrictions.

All Masses in Quin via the Parish Webcam or Radio Link

Rest In Peace: Christina O'Halloran nee O'Brien, Tubber. Sister of Sean O'Brien, Cullane.

Daily Mass: Mon-Fri: (Quin) 10am

Weekly Contributions: Amount Collected from April 14th-April 20th €600. 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.

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.killalodiocese.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. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Trocaire Collection: It is now time for all Trocaire boxes and envelopes to be brought to the Parish Office. There is a special white envelope with purple top in your box of envelopes for this collection. If at all possible could we have all Trocaire donations in by May 9th it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generosity to our brothers and sisters in the Third World and the Trocaire Lenten Campaign which concentrated this year on South Sudan.

ONLINE COURSE ACCREDITED BY ST. PATRICK'S COLLEGE, MAYNOOTH

The course runs from September to April. Delivered online, students view lecturers and live e-tutorial sessions, access readings, ask questions, engage in discussions and complete assignments online. The course is designed with flexibility in mind, enabling the student to balance study with work and family commitments. The practical element will comprise the on-line planning and delivery of four youth retreats/parish reflective youth experiences. The skills are transferable to other situations. Training for this is included in the course. **Who is this course for?** Anyone interested in the spiritual and human development of young people, including parents, teachers, school chaplains and youth workers in parish ministry. Cost €1500 (Payable in two instalments). Limited number of grants available towards cost if enquiries made before end of April. Initial deposit €100 (only refundable if not accepted onto the course) For further information please contact Kathleen 086 8608966. Also see www.shekinah.ie.

"The Triest Community Employment Scheme (sponsored by Brothers of Charity Clare Services) are currently recruiting, the following positions in the Clare Services: Support Workers, Cleaners and Art & Craft Assistant. Please contact the local DSP Employment Services/Intreo Office to check your eligibility and to apply for this vacancy or contact -Thomas Gilligan at 065-6823123 / 086 380 9994.

Fitline Participant Recruitment: FitLine is our volunteer telephone line designed to help older people who want to feel a bit healthier, but perhaps don't have the motivation, confidence or information on where or how to take that first step. The service is completely free. We're encouraging people to free phone 1800 303 545 and learn more. After you've made the first call, a FitLine mentor will arrange a time to ring you every two weeks until you're happy with your progress. FitLine mentors are volunteer older people who understand the challenges of getting active. They'll give you information, advice and gentle encouragement to get moving. To find out more free phone 1800 303 545 or email fitline@ageandopportunity.ie. You can also visit our website at <https://ageandopportunity.ie/active/fitline/>.

Tidy Towns: Well done to you all who have cleaned up after your dog on the streets of our lovely village. The recently displayed art work on that very theme must have encouraged you and again thanks to the local shop, cafe, chemist and post office for displaying the childrens' posters. New picnic benches have been put in place on the Tulla Road and sincere thanks to all involved. Thanks also to the Active Retired team of volunteers who have been watering and transplanting the summer flower plugs in the tunnel over the last few weeks. They should be ready to transfer into the flower baskets by mid-May. More shrubs and flowers will be added to the numerous flower beds and pots in the next week or so and thanks to all who help out there. If you would like to help out in any way please leave your name and number at the post office. Remember the pickers and refuse bags are there also for any mini clean up you'd like to do. Ní neart go cur le chéile.

GAA LOTTO: Lotto Draw 22nd April 2021. Jackpot: €5,000.00 Numbers drawn: **3; 21; 22; 29**
No winner **€40 Winners:** Stephen Reynolds, Quin ;Michelle Conheady, Clooney ;Michael O'Halloran, Creevaghmore ;Peter Sheehy, Clooney; Alice Jackson, Quin Next draw Online 29nd April 2021. Jackpot: €5,200 .Tickets available online - purchase cut-off time 5.00pm .Tickets also available in Crowes, Quin Post Office, and Clooney Stores - purchase cut-off time 1.00pm For all up-to-date news you can follow us on Facebook, Twitter or visit www.clooneyquingaa.ie.We thank you for your continued support.Go raibh maith agaibh as bhur dtacaíocht leanúnach

Today, April 25th 2021, is the 58th Anniversary of World Day of Prayer for Vocations: The purpose of World Day of Prayer for Vocations is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). As a climax to a prayer that is continually offered throughout the Church, it affirms the primacy of faith and grace in all that concerns vocations to the priesthood and to the consecrated life. While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention this day on vocations to the ordained ministries (priesthood and diaconate), consecrated life in all its forms (male and female religious life, societies of apostolic life, consecrated virginity), secular institutes in their diversity of services and membership, and to the missionary life.

Scripture Thoughts

John tells us about the Good Shepherd. One of the qualities of this Good Shepherd is that unlike those who are paid, he is willing to go beyond the call of duty. Jesus is willing to go after even one lost sheep regardless of how many others there are in the flock. Finally, He will lay down his life freely for His flock. Peter tells us that the cure of the cripple takes place because it was done in the name of Jesus who laid down his life. The epistle calls us to see the love that God has in calling us children. So the Good Shepherd, Jesus, was sent to bring us, God's children, into the Kingdom. Jesus' love for us is so strong that He will come after us no matter where we are, how we stray, or for what reasons. We are the pearls of great price. What a wonderful image of God's love! How does it feel to know that Jesus is coming after you? Have you ever thought of the depth of God's love for you? Hear Jesus, the Good Shepherd, call you by name. Allow yourself to stay with that feeling for awhile. What will you do as a result of this prayer?