

Quin Clooney Maghera Parish Notes

March 6th 2022

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Date		Anniversaries	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
Sat March 5 th	Clooney 7.00pm	Philomena Clune, Toonagh	Tom Larkin	Nuala Daffy
Sun March 6 th	Maghera 9.30am	Mattie Clune, Maghera	Eileen Daly	Maureen Corbett
Sun March 6 th	Quin 11.00am	Mary-Anne Doherty, Ballykilty & Dublin (M.M) Bridget & Paddy O’Grady, Cutteen & John & Dora Lynch, Cragataska Denis Meaney, Keevagh	Pat Phillips & Deirdre Meaney	Nita Enright
Mon Mar 7 th	Quin 7.00pm	John Donovan, Quin (1st Anniv.)		
Fri Mar 11 th	Quin 7.30pm	Seamus Gormely, Ennis (M.M.)		
Sat Mar 12 th	Clooney 7.00pm	No Intention	Rebecca O’Neill	Pamela McGrath
Sun Mar 13 th	Maghera 9.30am	No Intention	Catherine O’Halloran	John O’Sullivan
Sun Mar 13 th	Quin 11.00am	John Hassett, Ballyhannon (M.M) & his son Paddy Hassett Pat Callaghan, Ballykilty	Colette Colleran & Jimmy Maher	Colette Colleran

Rest in peace: Dr. Eileen Hassett, Ballyhannon whose funeral took place during the week and Peter Coughlan, Kildysart, father of Mary Cronin Ballyhannon

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

Weekly Contributions: Amount collected €735. Contributions can also be left in the parish office during this time 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.

Priests' Spring Collection: This weekend March 5th/6th the first of four collections during the year to pay the Priests' of the Diocese of Killaloe will be taken up at all Masses. There is a special white envelope with a yellow top in your box of envelopes for this collection. You may also if you so wish to use the Donate Button on the Killaloe Diocesan Website under Quin Parish/Priests Collection. We thank you for your generosity to this collection.

Trocaire Campaign 2022: We welcome this weekend, (5th/6th March), to our parish guest speakers from Trocaire who will speak at all Masses in the Abbey Pastoral Area. The Trocaire Campaign this year is focusing on how climate change and Covid is hurting thousands of lives in Third World Countries. **The Power of Change: A Better Tomorrow as Love Can Conquer Fear**

Confirmation 2022: This week we celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in our Parish. For Clooney National School Confirmation will take place next Friday 11 March at 11am in St. John XXIII Church, Clooney. On Saturday 12 March Quin/Dangan School will have two ceremonies in St. Mary's Church, Quin at 11am & 1pm. In advance of receiving the Sacrament, we congratulate all the Candidates for Confirmation, their parents and guardians, along with their principals and teachers and school choirs. Buiochas to all who have contributed in any way towards the preparation of our Churches for these very important ceremonies

Synodal Pathway: Parishioners to complete the online survey for the Synodal Pathway. It is an opportunity for everyone to be part of the Synod. [https:// www.killalodiocese.ie/ synod-keyqs/](https://www.killalodiocese.ie/synod-keyqs/) "The Synod is a **"Time to look others in the eye and listen to what they have to say, to build rapport, to be sensitive to the questions of our sisters and brothers, to let ourselves be enriched by the variety of charisms, vocations, and ministries."** Pope Francis

Lenten Talks Series 2022: Noticing God along the road with us: Tuesday 15th March at 7.30pm – Michael Conway – Role Models: Women in church and society. Tuesday 22nd March at 7.30pm – Diarmuid O'Murchu – Adult Faith in 2022 This online talk series is organised by the Críocha Callan Cluster and FCJ Spirituality House, Spanish Point Booking: email info@fcjspiritualityhouse.ie or office@kibparish.ie to register Queries: KIB Parish office 085 1872212 / FCJ House 087 4479115

Church Offertory Collection: In accordance with present Covid-19 guidelines and in the interests of public health it is not possible to have the usual basket offertory collection at weekend masses. If you wish to support the parish financially, please do so in the Collection Boxes provided at the church entrances or donate online using the Killaloe Diocesan website. We wish to thank you for your ongoing generosity and making such a huge effort to support the Parish since the onset of Covid.

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.

Spring is in the air and a new Tidy Towns committee has been formed. Gabriella Hanrahan has taken over the chair and we wish her the best of luck going forward. Mike Reddan is Treasurer and Colette Colleran is Secretary. Thanks to all who attended the recent AGM and the feedback and suggestions were much appreciated. The outgoing Committee were thanked for all their work last year. Plans for this year will be finalised over the coming weeks and again we are seeking more volunteers to help with the many aspects of keeping our lovely village in tip top shape. Even without becoming involved in the group local residents and businesses can assist by maintaining their own buildings and surrounds or even by just bringing a bag and picking up a piece of litter as they take their daily walks around this beautiful place where we live.

We are hoping to replace the Fountain as many locals have expressed a wish for it to be a focal point in front of the Abbey. It has a great history and it's important to respect the local people who initiated it many years ago. As always, ní neart go cur le chéile, together we are strong.

Quin Active Retirement Ireland. Next meeting will be held in the Hall 10.30am on Friday the 11th March. Pickleball in the Hall on Friday 18th March at 10.30am 10 Pin Bowling at the Planet Ennis will resume on Tuesday March 15th at 11am. Daffodil Day will be held on Friday 25th March. A Charity Walk in aid of Motor Neuron & Pieta House will take place at Illaunmanagh Shannon on Saturday 2nd April. More details later. A 3night holiday break to the Castlecourt Hotel in Westport will take place on the 29/30/31 May. Further information can be had from Bridie O' Brien 086 1006559. New members very welcome.

The Annual Matt Talbot Novena will continue on Wednesday, 9th March at 7:00PM in Tulla Church with Mass and Benediction. Fr Tom Fitzpatrick will deliver the reflection. On the night we will welcome choir / musicians from St Mochulla's National School. We would love if you joined us in this pilgrimage through Lent.

Reconciliation Thought: First Sunday of Lent 6 March: What are our own temptations compared to those of Jesus? The Sacrament of Reconciliation enables us to reflect on our lives and to take away that which keeps us from putting God in the centre of our lives. The Abbey Pastoral Area Reconciliation Service will be on Monday 11 April at 7.30pm in the Cathedral of Ss Peter & Paul, Ennis. Reflections, scripture and music will be part of this prayerful celebration and a number of priests will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. You are very welcome to join us.

Newsletter Deadline: If you wish to put a notice in the newsletter, please have your notice in by 12 noon on Tuesdays. Please email quinparish@gmail.com

Lotto : Draw 3rd March 2022. Jackpot: **€13,800**. Numbers drawn: **12; 18; 22; 28**. No winner **€40** Winners: 1.Ruth Earls, Rathclooney ;2.Fergal McGee, Corbally; 3.Ruairi O'Neill, Dangan; 4.Michael Madden, Clarecastle; 5.Theresa McMahan, Craggataska. Next draw Online 10th March 2022. Jackpot: €14,000. Tickets available online - purchase cut-off time 1.00pm. 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

Thought for the Week

Forgiveness is a door in your heart that must be opened from the inside for happiness and peace of mind to enter.