

Quin Clooney Maghera Parish Notes

21st / 22nd February 2026

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Date		Anniversaries	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers	Tellers
Sat Feb 21 st	Clooney 7.00pm	Michael & Rita Daffy, Rathclooney. Paddy McMahon, Spencilhill, & his sister Nuala Rooney, (Monthsmind)	Frances Earls	Frances Earls	
Sun Feb 22 nd	Maghera 9:30am	Special Intentions	Mary Whelan	Catherine O'Halloran	
Sun Feb 22 nd	Quin 11:00am	Fr. Michael Collins, former PP & John Murphy, Quin.	Maureen McKeogh & Colette Colleran	Sheila O'Sullivan	Maria Dolan & Veronica Kelly
Mon Feb 23 nd	Quin 10:00am	Gerard O'Neill, Corbally.			
Sat Feb 28 th	Clooney 7:00pm	Special Intentions	Nula Daffy	Pauline Conheady	
Sun Mar 1 st	Maghera 9:30am	Special Intentions	Stella Corbett	Martin Casey	
Sun Mar 1 st	Quin 11:00am	Seán O'Halloran, Creevagh Paddy & Bidy O'Grady, Cuteen John & Dora Lynch, Cragataska	Teasie Ryan & Frances Reynolds	Lena O'Halloran	Neeta Enright & Kay Sheehan

Daily Mass this week: Monday to Friday at 10am St Mary's Church Quin.

RIP: Sr Angela McNamara, formerly Jane McNamara from Ballykilty who died at the age of 96 in St Michael's convent Portsmouth England. Sr Angela was a Sister of the Sacred Heart and Good Shepherd Order and is the last surviving member of her family. May she Rest in Peace.

Weekly Contributions: Amount Collected for the past week **€995**. The Parish Finance Committee 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.

Children's Liturgy: Sunday February 22nd: Hannah McInerney & Clare O'Halloran
 Sunday March 1st: Aine Costello & Donna Lyttle

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Bishop Fintan will lead both our Diocesan Summer and Autumn pilgrimages this year. Wednesday 24th to Monday 29th June cost €990 pps, and Monday 28th September to Saturday 3rd October cost €960 pps. Book directly with joewalshtours.ie or tel 01 241 0800. A limited number of assisted pilgrims will be accommodated in Accueil Notre Dame in the grounds of the sanctuary. For more information on this section only please contact Mary Freeman at marybfreeman@gmail.com or Ph 087 977 7896.

Sacristans Collection and Church Cleaning: This weekend is our annual opportunity to show acknowledgement and appreciation to our sacristans who care and look after our three churches in the parish. We thank Catherine in Clooney, Maureen in Maghera and Jimmy and Pat in Quin.

Sacramental Preparation Masses: Our next Preparation Masses for our children preparing for First Holy Communion and Confirmation will take place at the 7pm Mass in St John XXIII Church Clooney on Saturday 28th and at the 11am Mass in St Mary's Church Quin on next Sunday 1st March. Please continue to keep the children and their teachers and parents in your prayers as they continue their preparation especially during the season of Lent.

Trócaire: This year's Trócaire Lenten campaign was launched on Ash Wednesday. Trocaire boxes are available in all our churches and schools and we invite you to take a box for your home. The Trocaire campaign each Lent is our opportunity to show solidarity with the poor and to acknowledge how blessed we are as a people and nation.

"You cannot get to heaven without a letter of reference from the poor."

The Annual Matt Talbot Novena will continue on Wednesday, 25th February at 7pm in Tulla Church, with Mass and Benediction. Fr. Robert McCabe will be the celebrant on the night. Currently working in Navan as the Central Spiritual Director of the Pioneer Association and as a former military chaplain, he has served with Irish peacekeeping forces in Lebanon, Kosovo, Liberia and Chad. Attending this Novena could be a meaningful Lenten commitment.

Eucharistic Healing Retreat in Knock Shrine: Led by gifted Croatian Priest, Fr Rozo Palic, Saturday March 7th & Sunday March 8th. Venue: St. John's Welcome Centre; Saturday 10:00 am - 6:30 pm & Sunday 10:00 am - 4:30 pm. He will be supported by his Croatian Music Ministry team; no prior booking required; everyone is most welcome and please bring a packed lunch. For further enquires please contact, Patricia on 089 946 6193 or Fiona on fionatjennings@yahoo.com.

Lenten series of Faith Exploration, Reflection and Renewal: The Adult Faith Formation Team of the Killaloe Diocese invites you to the Lenten series. The gatherings will follow the 'Baptised and Sent Programme', developed from the Irish Synodal Pathway. Venue: Clarecastle Daycare Centre (V95NY67) on Monday nights, 23rd Feb, 2nd & 9th Mar, 8-9 pm.

Afternoon Tea Dance: will be held in Cnoc na Gaoithe, Tulla on Sunday 29th March, 2pm—4.30pm. Music by Larry McEvoy. Admission €5. Refreshments served. All welcome.

Graduates don't lose your Seanad Vote: Irish citizens with degrees from designated 3rd level colleges are eligible to vote in the "HIGHER EDUCATION CONSTITUENCY". Thousands of previous voters are unaware that they have been removed from the register. To check the register and secure your vote, Scan the QR Code before 26th February. Evidence of a passport is needed, or else email applications@seanadvoters.ie



Scoil na Mainistreach 300 Club Fundraiser: The school has set up a 300 Club Fundraiser to upgrade and extend the all-weather astro turf facilities. Every month there will be a draw in which each 300 Club donor will have the chance of winning cash prizes. Tickets are limited to 300. This amenity will be available to use by the whole community and will be a wonderful safe space for our young people. Brochures available through school office and some will be distributing them after Mass today.

Down Syndrome Clare and Shannon Cycling Club warmly invite cyclists of all levels to join their annual **Odd Socks Cycle** in aid of Down Syndrome Clare on **Sunday, 22nd March**, rolling out at **9:30am from Shannon Comprehensive**. Riders can choose between a **50km or 100km route**. Everyone is encouraged to wear **fun, colourful socks** — there's even a **prize for the best-dressed ankles!** All funds go directly to Down Syndrome Clare. To sign up scan QR Code:



Clooney Quin GAA are hosting 1hr of Irish Speaking in the clubhouse from 7pm to 8pm on Monday evenings beginning the 2nd March until the 30th of March. All are welcome to come with tea and coffee being offered. This would be an ideal opportunity for students preparing for oral exams to practice speaking in a relaxed environment.

Free Traditional Skills Training Days various classes are now available for community groups across Clare, thanks to LEADER funding and delivered for Clare Local Development Company. These friendly, hands-on days are open to Tidy Towns groups, community development organisations and CLGs, Men's, Women's and Queer Sheds, residents' associations, environmental and heritage groups, and social enterprises working for community good. For details and to sign up before 27th Feb, scan QR Code:



Split the Pot: Congratulations to this week's winner **Lucy McGrath**, who wins **€104**. Next draw takes place on Tuesday January 20th. Envelopes for split the pot can be filled in at Gala, The Abbey Tavern, The Village Inn, Abbey Express Laundry, Quin Post Office, and A Taste of Quin. *"Be in to win"*.

GAA Lotto Draw: 19th February 2026 Jackpot: €20,000. Numbers drawn: **1, 6, 16, 25; No winner. €40 Winners** - Orla Hoey, Barefield, Nuala White, Corbally, Annette Liddy, Quin, Agnes Lawless, c/o Clooney Stores, Niall O'Donnell, OD Cleaning supplies. Next draw, Clubhouse 26th February 2026. Jackpot: €20,000. Tickets available online www.clooneyquingaa.ie - purchase cut-off time 5:00pm. Also available in, **Quin Post Office, Gala and Clooney Stores**; purchase cut off time 1pm. We thank you for your continued support. Go raibh maith agaih as bhur dtacaíocht leanúnach.

Newsletter Deadline: The cut-off time for submission of notices for inclusion in the newsletter is Tuesday at 5pm. Notices can be emailed to quinparish@gmail.com

Thought for the Week: *God's love can transform your life in a magical way.*