

# Quin Clooney Maghera Parish Notes

## March 22<sup>nd</sup> / 23<sup>rd</sup> 2025

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Date		Anniversaries	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers	Tellers
Sat Mar 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Clooney 7.00pm	Michael & Mary Donnellan, Cragataska  Martin Clune, Crowhill, First Anniversary, his wife Ann, his daughter Barbara Hickey, Michael & Irene Clune, Rylane, & Brian Clune, late of Crowhill who died in January 2025 in England	Frances Earls	Frances Earls	
Sun Mar 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Maghera 9.30am	Mago & Mike Butler, Maghera	Mary Heffernan	Marie Moloney	
Sun Mar 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Quin 11.00am	Mary White, Toonagh, First Anniversary	Nollie McCarthy & Eleanor Gallagher	Mary Liddy	Fiona McMahon & Fionuala O'Sullivan
Sat Mar 29 <sup>th</sup>	Clooney 7.00pm	No Intention	Catherine Ryan	Nuala Daffy	
Sun Mar 30 <sup>th</sup>	Maghera 9.30am	No Intention	Eileen Daly	Mary Casey	
Sun Mar 30 <sup>th</sup>	Quin 11.00am	Cella & Tom McMahon, Quin & Claremorris  Hannon & Markham Families  Sr Dolores Clune, Ballymaclune & Plymouth, and Mary Clune, Ballymaclune & Mervue, Galway	Anne Corbett & Ann Lynch	Deirdre Clune	Haulie Hannon & Moira Scanlon

**Daily Mass this week:** Mon-Fri 10am at St Mary's Church, Quin

**RIP:** Please pray for the repose of the souls of Kathleen Kirby Collopy, The Park Quin, Peggy McDonnell, Edenvale, Ennis, mother of Adrian, Ballyhickey, and Tommy O'Brien, Applefort, who died during the week'

**Month's Mind Mass:** Bishop Willie Walsh's Month's Mind Mass will be celebrated next Friday 28th March at 7.30pm in SS. Peter & Paul Cathedral Ennis.

**Weekly Contributions:** Amount Collected for the past week €520 plus Saint Patrick's Day €377. The Parish Council 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: 23<sup>rd</sup> March 25,** Team 2, Kate McInerney, Imelda McNamara, Rosie O'Sullivan; **30<sup>rd</sup> March 25,** Team 3, Nicola Killeen, Dawn Reynolds, Hannah McInerney.

**Readers & Eucharistic Ministers Rosters for Quin:** We are currently compiling new rosters for the year ahead. If you would like to be added to the listings, or indeed if you would like to take a break and would like to have your name removed, please contact parish office to advise. We thank all the volunteers who give their time to these valuable Ministeries.

**Recent Baptism:** We welcome to the Christian Community **Iarlaith Everest Considine**, who recently received the Sacrament of Baptism.

**Feast of the Annunciation** will be celebrated this Tuesday 25th March. We celebrate the Angelus, when Mary was invited to become the Mother of God.

**The Quin Apostolic Work** will hold their annual Display on Sunday April 6th in Quin Community Centre after 11am Mass and from 2pm to 4pm. All are welcome to come and see the marvellous work completed over the winter months by our hard-working members. Anyone wishing to donate a sacred vessel in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving for favours received, may do so by contacting Moira @ 087 645 7744 or Nita@ 087 951 1682.

**Lourdes Jubilee Pilgrimages 2025:** Our Diocesan Pilgrimage led by Bishop Fintan will depart Shannon Airport on Wednesday 25th June for 5 days. €955 pps includes full board. Our Diocesan Autumn Pilgrimage is from 29th September to 4th October €935 pps includes full board. To reserve a seat please contact JOE Walsh Tours 89 Harcourt St. Dublin 2 DO2WY88 Tel: 01 2410800 or [joewalshstours.ie](http://joewalshstours.ie) for more details. A limited number of assisted pilgrims will be accommodated on the June pilgrimage. €855 is the cost for this section. A medical declaration form must be completed and those interested in this section are asked to apply to Ms Mary Freeman, Pilgrimage Secretary 087-9777896 or [marybfreeman@gmail.com](mailto:marybfreeman@gmail.com)

**Sponsor a Sick Pilgrim:** Each year some people sponsor a sick or assisted pilgrim to make their wish of travelling to Lourdes become a reality. The cost is € 855 per pilgrim. To sponsor or part sponsor a pilgrim please contact Fr Tom Ryan Pilgrimage Director 087 2349816

**Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** The Diocese of Killaloe will be travelling to Lourdes on the 25th to June 30th June with the help of 16 young people from the different Pastoral Areas of the Diocese. The Abbey Pastoral Area invites young people between the ages of 16 and under 18 on the 24th June to apply in writing to their local priest for consideration for the one of the two places available to our Pastoral Areas. In the event of more than two applicants a draw will take place. Closing date is Sunday 30th March.

**Anonymous Donation:** Fr Tom, as Director of the Lourdes Pilgrimage wishes to acknowledge an anonymous contribution of €855 received in the post to sponsor a sick/assisted pilgrim on this year's Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes.

**Trocaire:** On the third week of our Lenten Journey we are asked to support the work of Trocaire who are in various parts of the world from Africa, Asia to South America helping to relieve suffering from poverty to drought and climate change. Your Lenten offering and sacrifices will make a difference.

**Women's Wednesday 45 Village Inn, Quin:** wrapped up last week with the Declan Ryan Memorial Gamble, which was won by Carmel Devine and Margaret Ann Killeen. This concluded the third year of the Wednesday 45. The Wednesday 45 has been a great success, with organised instruction for complete beginners looking to learn this traditional card game. Beyond Quin, the group was delighted to support a new 45 club in Bunratty. For anyone interested in learning 45 or setting up a beginners' group, more information is available from Ann Porter at The Village Inn, Quin.

**Biodiversity Enhancement:** Barry O'Loughlin Biodiversity Officer with Clare County Council in conjunction with Quin Tidy Towns Group, Fr. Tom Ryan and Bishop Fintan Monahan will be carrying out biodiversity enhancement actions on St Mary's church grounds as part of the Local Biodiversity Action Funded Project 'Return to Nature Clare Church Biodiversity Project'. If you are interested in more information about this "Return to Nature Clare Church Biodiversity Project" in Quin please contact [qvttbio@gmail.com](mailto:qvttbio@gmail.com)

**Clare Branch of the Kidney Association** will be holding their AGM on Thursday 27th of March in Cois na hAibhne at 8am. They welcome those who have kidney issues and their families. Ring for more information 0863157591.

**Lenten Video Series:** A series of videos from people around the diocese are available each day for the season of Lent on the Jubilee theme of Hope on the social media platforms @BishopFintan, Youtube, TikTok, X, Facebook, LinkedIn, Instagram & Bluesky.

**Lotto Draw 20th March 25:** Jackpot: €20,000. Numbers drawn: 1; 18; 24; 29. No winner. €40 Winners: Anne Porter, The Village Inn; Mikey Corry, Ballymclune; Michael Allen, Quin; Alice Jackson, Creevaghmore; Pat Lawless, Kilvoydan. Next draw Clubhouse 27th March 2025. Jackpot: €20,000. Tickets available online [www.clooneyquingaa.ie](http://www.clooneyquingaa.ie) - purchase cut-off time 5.00pm. Also available in Gala, Quin Post Office, and Clooney Stores - purchase cut-off time 1.00pm.

**Split the Pot:** Winner Martin O'Grady wins €60. Next draw takes place on Tuesday March 25th. Envelopes for split the pot are at Gala, The Abbey Tavern, The Village Inn, Abbey Express laundry, Quin post office and a taste of Quin.

**Annual Matt Talbot Novena** will continue on Wednesday, March 26th, at 7:00 PM 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.

**Daffodil Day Yoga Class:** In aid of the Irish Cancer Society, Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March, Clooney/Quin GAA Clubhouse, 8-9pm. This is a donation-based class. Spaces are limited. To book your place, please contact Kelly MacLean on 0877579543.

**Thought for the Week:** Proper diet, proper exercise, proper rest, and proper living keep will keep almost anyone healthy.