Quin Clooney Maghera Parish Notes 11th/12th January 2025 - The Baptism of the Lord

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Date		Anniversaries	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers	Tellers
Sat Jan 11th	Clooney 7.00pm	No Intention	Mary O'Connor	Mary O'Connor	
Sun Jan 12th	Maghera 9.30am	Willie Joe & Betty Corbett	Eileen Daly	Marie Moloney	
Sun Jan 12th	Quin 11am	Jack & Dolly Colleran, Quin; Baby Eimear Canny, Danganbrack	Jimmy Maher & Chris Kelly	Carol O'Neill	Gráinne O'Keeffe & Anita Clune
Sat Jan 18th	Clooney 7.00pm	Mary McMahon, Spancilhill, First Anniversary Tim & Anne Halpin, Toonagh	Tom Larkin	Orla Considine	
Sun Jan 19th	Maghera 9.30am	No Intention	Stella Corbett	Vincent O'Halloran	
Sun Jan 19th	Quin 11am	Karen O'Brien-O'Halloran, Dun na Manach; Michael McNamara, Corbally, First Anniversary; JJ & MaryAnne Doherty, Ballykilty	Teasie Ryan & Frances Reynolds	Carol O'Reilly	Carol O'Reilly & Bart O'Brien

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

RIP: Kathleen Clune, late of Hazelwood. Memorial Mass in Quin Church on Saturday 11th January at 11am; Fr Sean Murphy Retired Parish Priest of Miltown Malbay, formerly of Creevaghmore Quin and Ballyvergin Clooney; Sean O'Brien, Cullaun, Kilmurry, father of Dermot O'Brien, Feighquin; and Paddy Hassett, Moyriesk who died during the week.

Weekly Contributions: Amount Collected for the past week **€550.** 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: Sunday Jan 12th Team 2 : Kate McInerney, Imelda McNamara & Rosie O'Sullivan. Sunday Jan. 19th Team 3: Nicola Killeen, Dawn Reynolds & Hannah McNamara.

Blessing of Babies: On this Sunday, we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of our Lord. This afternoon at 3pm in St Mary's Church Quin, we welcome the 34 children baptised in the parish in 2024 to a special ceremony of blessing for their first year of life. All are welcome to this special blessing at the start of Jubilee 2025.

Fr Sean Murphy: Seanie was born on the 4th February 1951 in our parish. He was educated in Quin National School, St Flannan's College and St Patrick's College Maynooth. He was ordained in St Mary's Church Quin on the 11th June 1978 by the late Bishop Harry. His first appointment was as Curate in Mullagh in the parish of Kilmurry Ibrickane where he also taught in St Joseph's Secondary School, Spanish Point. From 1981 to 1983 he undertook further studies in Theology in St Patrick's College Maynooth. In 1983 to 1990 he served as a Curate in Shannon and in July 1990 moved to Miltown Malbay as Curate until he became Parish Priest in 2004. He retired due to ill heath in 2018.

Seanie was very well respected in all the parishes he served with a special reach out to young people. Known for his cooking and hospitality he was very much a Martha and a Mary of the Gospel, giving hospitality and having time for people with his listening ear.

On Tuesday 7th January Seanie passed from this life to the Home of the Father, with no doubt the gospel acclamation, "well done good and faithful servant."

After Funeral Mass in St Joseph's Church on Miltown Malbay on Friday Fr Seanie was laid to rest in the Church grounds in West Clare close to the ocean that he loved so well.

We offer our sympathy to his brothers, Michael and Eamonn, his sisters in law Betty and Giny, his nieces and nephews, Deirdre, Fiona, Donnchadh and Mike and their families. **May his gentle soul rest in peace**

Sick & housebound Parishioners: Fr Tom will visit sick & housebound parishioners with the sacraments during the week. If you know of any parishioners who would like to receive the sacraments, please contact Fr Tom 087-23409816

Parish Statistics: 2021 - 25 Baptisms, 8 Weddings and 23 Deaths; 2022 - 42 Baptisms, 13 Weddings & 15 Deaths; 2023 - 12 Baptisms, 6 Weddings & 15 Deaths; 2024 - 34 Baptisms, 9 Weddings & 22 Deaths

Mind Myself Children's Workshop: Breathe, Move, Connect, Be: Come and join us for an afternoon of mindfulness, yoga, breath work and creative play. The Pilates Studio, Shannon Town Shopping Centre, Saturday, 18th January: 2.30pm − 3.45pm 5 − 7 year olds; 8 − 12 year olds 4.00pm − 5.15pm; Teenagers: 5.30pm − 6.45pm, €15 per child; €25 for 2 siblings. Bookings & Enquiries: mindmyselfclare@gmail.com

Clare Roots Society Talk: Thursday January 16th 2025 at 7.30pm in Clare Education Centre, Kilrush Road, Ennis V95 F782. An Evening with Joe Queally telling the story of 'The Collen Bawn' 1803 - 1819 Beautiful child of Croom murdered 204 years ago.

CLOONEY QUIN MAGHERA POLE-2-POLE COMMUNITY CHALLENGE Can the community complete 20,000km over 10 weeks (from 5th Jan-17th Mar)? Walk, run, cycle or swim and track it all to meet our target! To take part, either sign up or track your activity on on Strava: Google Forms: Afree, fun community event for all the family to promote health and well-being, and community engagement. Any queries contact Dave on 086 828 2324

Painted Memorial Rocks: As we enter a New Year let us remember our lost loved ones who sadly passed in the year just gone. Painted Memorial rocks will be at Quin church next Sunday and family members are welcome to take them. May their gentle souls rest in peace.

Split the Pot: Congratulations to this weeks Split the Pot winner Kathleen Kearse who wins €54. Next draw takes place on Tuesday Jan. 14th. 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 9th January 2025. Jackpot: €20,000. Numbers drawn: 18; 21; 29; 31. No winner. €40 Winners: Con McInerney, Ballycar; Cliff Deegan, Ballyhickey; Ronan Fahy, Ballyhickey; Martha Deegan, Ballyhickey; Peter Sheehy, Clooney. Next draw Clubhouse 16th January 2025. Jackpot: €20,000. Tickets available online 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.