

# Quin, Clooney & Maghera Parish Notes

## 8<sup>th</sup> / 9<sup>th</sup> August 2026

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| Date                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                | Anniversaries                                | Eucharistic Ministers        | Readers          | Tellers                             |
| Sat Aug 8 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Clooney 7:00pm | Pauline Whelan nee Corbett (2nd Anniversary) | Mary O'Connor                | Mary O'Connor    |                                     |
| Sun Aug 9 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Maghera 9:30am | Special Intentions                           | Stella Corbett               | Marie Moloney    |                                     |
| Sun Aug 9 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Quin 11:00am   | Jimmie & Nellie Duggan, Castlefergus.        | Pat Carrig & Tom Frain       | Colette Colleran | Kay O'Shaughnessy & Mary O'Halloran |
| Sat Aug 15 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Clooney 7:00pm | Michael John Quigney, Clooney                | Pauline Conheady             | Orla Considine   |                                     |
| Sun Aug 16 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Maghera 9:30am | Special Intentions                           | Mary Whelan                  | Eileen Daly      |                                     |
| Sun Aug 16 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Quin 11:00am   | Special Intentions                           | Sandra Hassett & Chris Kelly | Sandra Hassett   | Colette Colleran & Marian Reynolds  |

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

**RIP:** Carmel Callinan, Ennis, Sister of Mary Maher, Parish Secretary

**Weekly Contributions:** Amount Collected for the past week **€785**. The Parish Finance Committee thanks 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.

**Feast of the Assumption:** Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> August we celebrate the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holyday. Mass for the feast will be celebrated at 10am on Saturday in St Mary's Church Quin.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Each Thursday from 12noon until 4pm the Blessed Sacrament is exposed in St Mary's Church, Quin for private prayer. Please consider spending some time during those 4 hours in the company of the Lord. The Blessings that flow are immense.

**Priests August Collection:** The August Collection for the Bishop and Priests who serve the parish and the pastoral area is taken up at all masses this weekend. Your generosity and support to this appeal is very much appreciated. Envelopes are available.

**Prayer for those waiting for Exam Results:** On Friday 21<sup>st</sup> August Leaving Cert results will be published. In these days of waiting we pray for and with our students.

*Loving God, calm the anxious hearts of those waiting exam results.*

*Grant them peace as the days approach for results.*

*Help them trust that their worth lies not in a grade, but in your unchanging love.*

*Give them courage to accept whatever comes and wisdom to see this moment as just one step in their unique journey.*

*Surround them with your comfort and support.*

**Welcome to Fr Michael:** This coming week we welcome Fr. Michael Collins as part of the pastoral team for the Abbey Pastoral Area residing at Cathedral House. Fr. Michael is a native of the Ennis Parish and was educated at the Ennis National School and St. Flannan's College. Ordained to the priesthood in the Cathedral in June 2000, Fr. Michael has ministered in Kilrush, Kildysart, Newmarket-on-Fergus, St. Patrick's College Maynooth as well as a period in school chaplaincy in East Clare. For the past few years Fr. Michael has worked as director for evangelisation and mission in the Killaloe Diocese and he will continue to do so during his time with us here in the Abbey Pastoral Area. As the diocese deals with ever changing pastoral realities, this ministry will see him work closely with priests, pastoral councils and lay faithful across the diocese. As we welcome Fr. Michael, we pray that his ministry among us may be a time of grace and blessing for him and the communities he will serve.

**Franciscan Jubilee Year:** To celebrate the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the passing of St Francis into Glory, the Friary in Ennis are organising a special Jubilee outing to the historic Franciscan Friary Multyfarnham Co Westmeath on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> August. Mass was televised from there last Sunday on RTE1. On the day a bus will leave from Ennis. The day includes Mass, Jubilee Prayers, tour of the Gardens and lunch. €50 for the tickets. Tickets available from the Friary Office Ennis. Enjoy a beautiful Summer's day out in the midlands.

**St John XXIII Church Clooney:** As we travel along the pathway of life, there are many milestones which we scarcely notice, but occasionally we are reminded of a milestone we cannot and should not pass by without pausing to reflect on its significance. On 22<sup>nd</sup> August 1976 the Church of now St John, then Blessed John XXIII Clooney was dedicated by the late Bishop of Killaloe Michael Harty as a House of Prayer for the people of Clooney. While we are celebrating a mere 50 years of its existence, we celebrate the faith of a people that goes long back in memory to different times. On Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September the current Bishop of Killaloe, Fintan Monahan, will celebrate the Golden Jubilee Mass in Clooney. More details later.

**Laughàn Mass Rock:** Annual pilgrimage to Laughàn Mass Rock takes place on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> August, Mass will be celebrated at 3pm. All are welcome.

**Lourdes Autumn Pilgrimage:** Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September to Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October. Bookings to [joewalshstours.ie](http://joewalshstours.ie). or telephone 01-2410800. FYI, **Pope Leo** will visit Lourdes on the 27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup> September.



**National Novena at Knock Shrine:** The annual Novena to Our Lady of Knock Shrine begins on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August and continues until Friday 21<sup>st</sup> August.

Daily programme: 3pm & 8pm in Knock Basilica.

Workshops: daily at 12.45pm in Knock Prayer centre.

Highlights: Family Day Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> Aug 11am to 3pm.

Witness Walk: Friday 21st Aug @ 6.45pm.

**Youth 2000 Summer Festival | 13<sup>th</sup>–16<sup>th</sup> August:** Calling all young people aged 16–35! Join us at the Youth 2000 Summer Festival in Newbridge College, Co. Kildare. This is a donation-only event, with free buses available across the country and all meals included. Expect inspiring talks and workshops, Youth Mass, music, prayer, and plenty of opportunities to chill out and meet other young Catholics. Whether you are new to the faith or looking to be refreshed, all are welcome. To register or find out more, visit [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie) or follow [@Youth2000Ireland](https://www.instagram.com/Youth2000Ireland).

**Quin Friary Visitor App:** Quin Heritage is delighted to announce the formal launch of the Quin Friary Visitor App, a new way for visitors of all ages to explore the rich history of the Friary. By scanning the QR code, displayed at the Friary entrance, visitors can access an engaging introduction to the Friary's heritage, featuring clear audio, captivating visuals and a guided tour of key areas of the building. The app will be officially launched at 2pm on Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> August, in An Tearmann Gardens on Main Street beside the grotto. The launch event will begin with a ribbon-cutting ceremony in An Tearmann, followed by an invitation to the Local Hall to view a photographic display. From 2.30pm onwards, volunteers will be available to assist anyone wishing to take part in a self-guided tour of the abbey using the app.



**Split the Pot:** Congratulations to this week's winner **Alice O'Halloran**, who won **€76**. Next draw takes place on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August. 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:** 6<sup>th</sup> August 2026 Jackpot: €20,000. Numbers drawn: **5, 10, 20, 24; No winner. €40 Winners** - Martin Duggan, Mary M<sup>c</sup>Cormack, Sinead M<sup>c</sup>Grechan, Imelda Hassett c/o Village Inn and, Shane Moroney c/o Gala. Next draw, Clubhouse 13<sup>th</sup> Aug 2026. Jackpot: €20,000. Tickets available online [www.clooneyquingaa.ie](http://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 agaibh 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](mailto:quinparish@gmail.com)

**Thought for the Week:** *Don't wait until you reach your goal to be proud of yourself.  
Be proud of every step you take.*