

Quin Clooney Maghera Parish Notes

December 6th/7th 2025—2nd Sunday of Advent

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Date	Mass	Anniversaries	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers	Tellers
Sat Dec. 6th	Clooney 7.00pm	Special Intentions	Tom Larkin	Pamela McGrath	
Sun Dec. 7th	Maghera 9.30am	Sean, MaryAnn & Michael O'Halloran, Maghera	Catherine O'Halloran	Martin Casey	
Sun Dec. 7th	Quin 11am	Tom McGrath, Knappogue Nora McCusker, Arbutus Grove	Sandra Hassett & Chris Kelly	Anne Enright	Maria Dolan & Veronica Kelly
Sat Dec. 13th	Clooney 7.00pm	Robbie McMahon, Spencilhill	Catherine Ryan	Linda Hale	
Sun Dec. 14th	Maghera 9.30am	Mary Corbett, Maghera, First Anniversary & James Corbett	Eileen Daly	Marie Moloney	
Sun Dec. 14th	Quin 11am	Special Intentions	Pauline Hogan & Pat Philips	Sally O'Neill	Nita Enright & Kay Sheehan

Daily Mass: Monday to Friday 10am in St Mary's Church Quin.

Weekly Contributions: Amount Collected for the past week €575. 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 / Play & Pray: Sunday, December 7th: Angela O'Gorman & Christina De Alemeida
Sunday, December 14th: Rachel McHugh & Liam Quirke

Feast of the Immaculate Conception: This Monday 8th December, a holy day, we welcome pupils and staff from Scoil na Mainistreach, who will join the parish community for the 10am Mass.

Priests Christmas Collection: The Christmas Collection for the priests from the Abbey Pastoral Area who serve our parish, will be taken up at all Masses in the parish next weekend. Your support for your priests is very much appreciated. Envelopes are available in your box of envelopes & in the porch of the Church.

Christmas Reconciliation Service: On Monday 15th December, the Abbey Pastoral Area will hold the annual Advent Reconciliation Service with the opportunity for individual confession in the Cathedral at 7.30pm. An ideal Spiritual preparation for Christmas.

Quin Clooney Maghera Senior Citizen's Social Club are holding their annual Christmas Party this weekend on Sunday December 7th 2025. Mass will be held at 12 noon with dinner at 1pm followed by a visit from Santa & an afternoon of entertainment.

Bambenelli Sunday: Next weekend the 3rd Sunday of Advent we celebrate Bambenelli Sunday when we invite you to bring the figures of your baby Jesus from the crib for a blessing for you and your families this Christmas.

Sacramental Masses: Next weekend at the 7pm vigil Mass in St. John XXIII Church Clooney and at the 11am Mass in St Mary's Church Quin, we will pray with our children and their families preparing for the sacraments.

Christmas Concert: Our local Quin and Tonics choir will join Ennis Brass Band on Sunday December 7th for their annual Christmas concert. The concert begins at 7.30 pm in St. Columba's church, Bindon Street. Entry is free and all are welcome.

ABC Playschool / Montessori (situated on the school grounds of Scoil na Mainistreach Quin Dangan) are now accepting enrolments for 2 free years of ECCE preschool (2025 & 2026) commencing Thursday August 28th. Contact: Mary 087-2413869.

Cantare Choir and Orchestra is staging its annual Christmas concert in Ennis Cathedral at 8pm December 19th. This year's event, in support of the Kevin Bell Repatriation Trust, is in memory of Olivia Tuohy, daughter of Liz and Kieran Tuohy, who died of Sudden Adult Death Syndrome while competing in the Edinburgh half marathon on May 25th this year. Join the Cantare Choir and Orchestra under the baton of Musical Director, Michael Hennessy, for an evening of seasonal entertainment in the very special venue that is Ennis Cathedral.

Guest choir – "Quin and Tonics", conducted by Carol O'Neil

Guest soloists – Conor Prendiville and Helen Catherine Ball

The programme itself is a treat indeed, featuring seasonal favourites and classics you know and love. Start your Christmas on just the right note – this event is a treat for the ears and food for the soul. Tickets available at Glór box office or glor.ie

Clare Older People's Council will hold its Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Tuesday, 13th January 2026, from 2:00 – 4:00pm in the Civic Room, Buttermarket Building, Drumbiggle, Ennis, Co. Clare. Each nominee for the Clare Older People's Executive will have the opportunity to address the public before voting begins. There are 15 positions to be filled on the Executive Committee, representing the four Clare County Council municipal districts, as well as three additional representatives from nursing homes, new communities, and minority groups across Clare. New members are very welcome. For more information, please contact Shanelle or Sandra at agefriendlyclare@clarecoco.ie or call 065 6846240.

Book Launch: Jackie Elger & Patricia Sheehan will launch their new book 'You Have Me Talking Now! The Memories of George Nash from Co Clare' at The Local Inn, Drumquin, Tiermaclane on Sunday 7th December at 4pm. The book will be launched by Cllr Tom O Callaghan followed by a trad session with Colm Nestor (a nephew to George Nash who was from Newhall) & friends. All welcome.

Split the Pot: Congratulations to this weeks Split the Pot winner Adrian Sweeney who wins €71. Next draw takes place on Tuesday Dec. 9th. Play where you see the red buckets in Gala, The Village Inn, Varden's Pharmacy, Taste of Quin, The Monk's Pantry, The Abbey Tavern and the Post Office. Thank you for your support.

GAA Lotto Draw: 4th December 2025 Jackpot: €20,000. Numbers drawn: 2; 13; 22; 26. No winner. €40 winners: Ger Clune, Keevagh; Nuala White, Corbally; Dave Barry, Knocknagoug; Mike & Betty Murphy, Clooney; Sean & Padraig Ward, Feakle. Next draw Clubhouse 11th December 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. We thank you for your continued support. Go raibh maith agaibh as bhur dtacaíocht leanúnach

Thought for the Week:

Brighten your day with the sunshine of thanks