

RAHAN PARISH

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time 23rd July 2017

The parable of the dandelion in the middle in the midst of the wheat is a reflection of profound wisdom. It can be applied as much to personal life as to the church. We are mysterious mixtures of divine and human, of grace and free will, of divine seed and human soil. Nobody has the right to expect a perfect crop, nor a perfect church. The church would no longer be a home for us if it were perfect. God is mild in judgement and governs with great lenience. Jesus left the crowds to develop the potential of the small group of disciples. Communists made great use of the small cells of influence. If there were ten dedicated subversives or ten drug pushers in a town wouldn't you be alarmed? How would you feel if there were ten dedicated Christians, fully committed to the three legs of Christian life – prayer, study and action? The mustard seed is tiny: the yeast is hidden in the mix. Just wait and see what God's grace can do

KILLINA

Sunday 23rd 10.30am: -----

Tuesday 25th 7.30pm: Mass for Pat & Rose Molloy, Cornalaur

Wednesday 26th 9.00am: Mass in the Convent

Friday 28th 9.00am: -----

Sunday 30th 10.30am: Mass for William & Peter Byrne, Derrycooley & deceased family members

THE ISLAND

Saturday 22nd 6.00pm: Mass for Pe & Kit Daly, Ballina & their grandchildren

Saturday 29th 6.00pm: -----

MUCKLAGH

Saturday 22nd 7.30pm: Mass for Dan & Elizabeth Mc Keon, Glaskill

Sunday 23rd 9.00am: -----

Sunday 23rd 3.00pm: **Fr. Martin's Silver Jubilee Celebrations**

Tuesday 25th 9.00am: Mass for Margaret Ward

Wednesday 26th 7.30pm: -----

Thursday 27th 9.00am: -----

Friday 28th 7.30pm: Mass for Mary Dunne, Mucklagh & her parents Martin & Mary Pierce

Saturday 29th 7.30pm: Mass for Ned Conroy, Adam's Villas

Sunday 30th 9.00am: Mass for Paddy & May Fogarty, St. O' Hara's

Sunday 30th 12noon: Mass for Paul Keyes, Screggan Cross

Perpetual Adoration: of the Blessed Sacrament takes place:-

Killina Church - every Monday from 3pm to 10pm.

The Island - **postponed until further notice.**

Mucklagh - every Thursday from 9.30am to 8.00pm.

Holy Hour Convent, Killina - every Thursday - from 2pm to 3pm.

Offertory/Plate:	Killina €210.00	The Island €125.00	Mucklagh €632.00
Dev Fund:	Killina & The Island €200.00		Mucklagh €295.00

Silver Jubilee Celebrations: A very sincere Thank You to all who are making such huge efforts for my Silver Jubilee Celebrations. The great work of each and every person is deeply appreciated. Fr. Martin

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration: in Mucklagh Church every Thursday. **Adorers urgently needed for the hours 11.00am-12noon and 2.00p.m-3.00p.m and 4.00pm-5.00pm or any hour. For more information please contact 057 9351923 or 057 9351367**

Our Parish Community: Welcomes **Ellie Jayde Esani**, St. O' Hara's, Cloonagh who was baptised in St. Colman's Church on the 15th July

Churchgate Collection: Offaly Hospice will hold their Churchgate Collection this weekend in the three Churches of the parish

Fr. Johnny McEvoy Fiji Cyclone Appeal: A collection will take place at Mucklagh, Killina & The Island Churches on Saturday & Sunday 29th/30th July (next weekend). Many thanks for the great support

Please Note: There will be no 12noon Mass in Mucklagh Church on this Sunday 23rd July. Preparations will take place in the Church at this time for Fr. Martin's Silver Jubilee Celebration Mass at 3.00pm. Many thanks to all

Coffee Morning in Mucklagh Community Centre: Every Tuesday Morning after 9AM Mass, €1 for Tea/Coffee and Toast, All Welcome.

Mucklagh Active Retirement Group: Do you like a game of Cards, indoor bowls, gentle exercises or just like to sit and chat? Then come along to Mucklagh Community Centre on Tuesdays at 3.00pm. All welcome.

Mucklagh Community Centre: Pilates has started in the Centre it is on every Friday Morning at 9.45am to 10.30am anyone interested in this class can contact the Centre on 085 1261216 or 057 9356886 or Tanya Dempsey on 086 3532240.

Rahan Community Alert: When going away on holidays be sure to have a friend or neighbour keeping a check on things. For information on Bottle in the Fridge or Wrist Alarms, ring Ann on 087 9851819. If you see anything suspicious ring the Guards on 057 9327600. Be alert at all times. Thank You

Aidan's Art Academy: is hosting his Summer Camp here in Mucklagh Community Centre on August 14th to August 18th. This is guaranteed to be a fantastic camp with plenty of activities for your little one's to enjoy. To enrol your child you can contact The Community Centre on 0579356886 to secure your place. Places are limited so contact early to avoid disappointment.

Mucklagh Community Development: Lotto: draw 19/07/17 numbers drawn 6,12,25,29 . No jackpot winner. One match three winner Theresa Heffernan c/o Willie o' Grady wins €150. Next week's Jackpot is €12,000 and next week match three win/share €150. Thanks for all the continued support.

Rahan Farmers Market: Rahan Farmers Market will start up again on Saturday 29th July at Rahan GAA Field from 10am – 1.00pm

Tullamore International Summer Organ Series: Tullamore International Summer Organ Series (featuring the magnificent Frobenius Organ in the Church of the Assumption), Tuesday 25th July Klaus Kuchling (Organ, Austria). Begins at 8pm.

Meath Diocese Pilgrimage to Knock: Sunday 13 August: Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine at Knock takes place on Sunday 13th August 2017 and will be led by Bishop Michael Smith and the choir for the Mass is the Meath Diocesan Choir. Confessions 11.00am to 5.00pm, Anointing of the Sick 2.30pm, Pilgrimage Mass at 3.00pm followed by Benediction, Rosary Procession to the Shrine and Blessing of Religious Objects.

Shamrock's Notes: Lotto: The numbers drawn were 2-3-18-28. 2 x Match 3's =€100 each. John Cantwell (J. Cantwell) & Rose Conroy (C. Healion). Jackpot is €13,000 & the draw is in Kelly's next week.

Results: Our u16 lads lined out against Clara in a top of the table clash in round 4 of the Hurling Championship. In what was always going to be a close encounter tempers rose on numerous occasions and the never say die attitude of team manager Vinnie O'Brien has definitely been passed on to the team. Final score Shamrocks 0-13 Clara 0-12.

Hard luck to the Senior Hurling last Saturday in the 3rd round of the Championship against Birr. Final score Shamrock's 0-13 Birr 4-27

Our U14 hurlers played Clara away on Wednesday evening, Winners by 2 points on a scoreline of 3-06 to 3-08, Shamrock's take on table toppers Drumcullen/Seir Kieran in their final group match, and can win that if they perform as they did against Clara. Training will be twice per week, with dates to be confirmed by text.

Congratulations: Congratulations and best wishes to Fr. Martin celebrating his Silver Jubilee this Sunday 23rd July

Dates for your Diary 2017:

Cemetery Devotions Rahan: Tuesday 15th August at 7.00pm

Cemetery Devotions Killickfehan: Saturday 19th August at 7.00pm (No Mass in The Island Church this evening)

Tullamore Show: Sunday 13th August 2017

National Ploughing Championships, Screggan: Tuesday 19th, Wednesday 20th & Thursday 21st September 2017