

PARISH OF RAHAN

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

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17th Sunday in Ordinary Time 27th July 2014.

There is much joy in God's word today but we must be careful not to mistake it for some superficial glitz. It is, in this sense, not easy. It is a joy that needs a gospel disposition in order for it to take real hold. This deep joy in the soul gets a new context in the teaching of Jesus, when he tells us that those who seek the kingdom of God will, on finding it, be 'blown away' with amazement. There is no razzmatazz about this joy. It runs as deep in us as the proverbial 'draw well'. This joy cannot be even rippled by the vicissitudes of life, it is so deep within us, and of course it is from God.

KILLINA

Sunday 27th 10.30am:

Mass for Peter, Elizabeth & Joe Leonard, Ballykeenaghan.

Sunday 27th 3.00pm:

Mass of Rededication of Killina Church with Bishop Michael Smith.

Tuesday 29th 7.30pm:

Mass for Mary McLoughlin & her father John, Morrugh.

Wednesday 30th 9.00am:

Mass in the Convent.

Friday 1st 7.30pm:

Mass for all those on the List of the Dead.

Sunday 3rd 10.30am:

Mass for Molly, Jack, Joe & Vincent Foran, Cappaloughan.

THE ISLAND

Saturday 26th 6.00pm:

Mass for Jimmy Minnock, Ballina & deceased members of the Minnock family.

Friday 1st 6.30pm:

Mass for all those on the List of the Dead.

Saturday 2nd 6.00pm:

Mass for John, Maura & Peter Kinahan, Deerpark.

MUCKLAGH CHURCH

Saturday 26th 7.30pm:

Mass for Ned Conroy, Adam's Villas.

Sunday 27th 9.00am:

Mass for Michael Lochrin & deceased family members, Charleville Road.

Sunday 27th 12noon:

Mass for Aidan Doyle, Brackagh, Blueball.

Tuesday 29th 9.00am:

Mass for Tom Deegan & family, Clonaslee.

Wednesday 30th 7.30pm:

Month's Memory Mass for May Fogarty, St. O' Hara.

Thursday 31st 9.00am:

Friday 1st 7.30pm:

Mass for all those on the List of the Dead & for Jack Mooney, Glaskill.

Saturday 2nd 7.30pm:

Mass for Ned Conroy, Adam's Villas

And Henrietta, Jackie & Rena Bryant, Cloonagh.

Sunday 3rd 9.00am:

Mass for Lawrence Ward, Tullamore.

Sunday 3rd 12noon:

Mass for Benny Cleary, Roscore.

Perpetual Adoration: of the Blessed Sacrament takes place:-

Killina Church

- every Monday from 3pm to 10pm.

The Island

- every Tuesday from 6pm to 8pm.

Mucklagh

- every Thursday from 9.30am to 8.00pm.

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

Cemetery Day: in Rahan Cemetery on Friday 15th August at 7pm.

Cemetery Day: Killockfeehan Cemetery Saturday 16th August at 7pm.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

On the Main Altar every Thursday for the Summer.

Drop in and spend a few moments with the Lord.

Offertory/Plate Killina €170.00 The Island €135.00 Mucklagh €732.00

Dev Fund: Killina & The Island €145.00 Mucklagh €410.00

In Memory: Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of **Michéal (Haul) Malone**, Rhode (father of Irene Glavin, Tegan Court) who died on the 19th July, with funeral on the 23rd July in Rhode. May he rest in peace.

Wedding Bells: Congratulations to **Shalane Dunne**, Killina and **Ronnie Hughes**, Tullamore who were married in the church of St. Carthage, Killina on the 19th of July and **Claire Berry**, Clonshanny and **Paul Rigney**, Roscommon who were married in The Island Church on the 26th July. We wish them long and happy lives together.

Churchgate Collection: The annual churchgate collection for Offaly Rowing Club will take place in at all Masses in Mucklagh this weekend and the annual churchgate collection for Fr. Rory O' Brien African Fund will be held on the weekend of 3rd/4th August.

Rededication of St Carthage's Church Killina: A huge word of thanks to those who have worked so hard in bringing about a successful conclusion to the refurbishment project of Killina Church. And well done to all who have helped in any way to make this day of rededication a success. We extend a warm welcome to Bishop Michael Smith to the parish of Rahan for the Rededication Ceremony. May you all have a wonderful and congratulations again to all involved.

Mucklagh Community Centre - Fundraisers: Mucklagh Community Development Committee are having a fundraising weekend coordinating a Golf outing in Tullamore Golf Club as part of their fundraising activities. The Format is a 3 Ball scramble and is planned for August 15th 2014; We would be grateful if you and your Business could help sponsor our event in any of the following areas: Teams of three players, €100. Sponsorship of Tee boxes €50.00 Sponsorship of a Team €100.00. To book a Tee time contact PJ Barron on 086 325 2924.

Our second event is “Pig” (Bed) Push on Saturday the 16th of August 2014. We are seeking sponsorship for advertising along the route and on the “Pig”. Advertising on the “Pig” will be very high profile as it will be visible throughout Tullamore on the day from 9 am and then on to Mucklagh Village. We would be very grateful for any sponsorship. Supporting businesses will also be listed on a display board at a linked Golf Classic in Tullamore Golf Club on Friday 15th August. All proceeds of both events will go towards the completion of Mucklagh Community Centre. For any queries or donations please contact: Cepi on 0876748885. Every six weeks "Tesco Community Fund" will donate €1000 to help your local community so pick up a leaflet in Tesco and nominate your new Community Centre, we are building for the future.

Mucklagh Community Development: LOTTO Tuesday 22nd July - no's drawn 04-05-17-19 no Jackpot winner. Two Match 3 winners Noël Cleary c/o Kelly's Roadhouse & Alan Palmer c/o Paddy Tyrell each get €75. Next week's Jackpot €8,200 and Match 3 win/ share €150. Thanks for all the ongoing support.

Better Health Club: Rahan Hall: The Committee of the Better Health Club would like to extend a sincere word of thanks and gratitude to Tom Finnerty for organising a recent grant of €11,000 for the Club to be used on equipment.

Clodagh Active Retirement: Those who have given their names for bus to Knock, on Thursday 31st July, please note time/place of pick-up. Rahan Hall 9.30am, Killina 9.40am, Mucklagh Church 9.45am and Tullamore Court Hotel 10am. Bus is now full.

Eucharistic Ministers on Duty in The Island: 2nd Aug 2014: M. Minnock, 9th Aug 2014: G. Minnock, 16th Aug 2014: (in Cemetery at 7pm) K. Looby & A. Minnock, 23rd Aug 2014: B. Bracken, 30th Aug 2014: M. Minnock.

Killickfehan Cemetery Committee: They will meet in the Island Church on Wed. night at 9.00pm. All welcome.

Knock Shrine: Volunteers for stewarding one Sunday per month from May to Oct. Tele: Pat Cahill 057 9341989.

Young People in Lourdes 12 – 17: In recent years many young people (18+) have travelled to Lourdes with the diocese seeking to find out more about this famous Shrine: to lend a hand to the pilgrims who are sick or infirmed, to look for some prayer space in busy lives and still to have a good time! Cost €350. If you are interested in travelling this September please contact email: fonamccabe21@gmail.com

Next World Youth Day - Two Years to Go: Last summer at the end of World Youth Day in Brazil Pope Francis announced Krakow as host city for the next World Youth Day 2016. We invite young people (age 18-35) to consider being part of Krakow 2016. It seems so far away but it gives plenty of time to keep the diary free for July 2016 and to begin saving for the trip of a life-time! See www.dioceseofmeath.ie/youth to find out more.

Divine Mercy & Rosary: Every Monday night at 7.30pm sharp in Cahill's, Adam's Villas. Everyone welcome.

Dochas Offaly: Cancer Support Group, Offaly St. Tullamore. Drop in centre. Mon-Thur. 10am-2pm. Phone Support 057 9328268.

Team Leaders and Collectors Required: Barnardos Children's Charity are looking for Team Leaders to help coordinate a collection for Barnardos in Tullamore on Friday September 19th and help raise €100,000 for disadvantaged children and their families in communities around Ireland.

Shamrock's Notes: Lotto: The numbers drawn were 10, 21, 22 & 31. There was no jackpot winner and no match three winner. Next week's match three win/share €600 and the jackpot will be €8,200. The draw in Kelly's Roadhouse.

Hurling: Results of the Intermediate Hurling Championship on 20th July Shamrocks 3-22 to Crinkle 4-10 and the Junior hurlers lost to Drumcullen on Friday 18th July on a scoreline of Drumcullen 5-09 to Shamrocks 0-07.

U16 Football: Our U16 footballers lost out to Edenderry by smallest of margins last Sunday, Edenderry 5-05 to Shamrocks 3-10.

Re: Fixture: Shamrocks V's Tullamore Minor Football Championship on the 30th July in Mucklagh.

The World Must Respond to the Cry of Iraq's Christians – (Lord Alton, Liverpool - Daily Telegraph: July 22, 2014)

The last Christian has now been expelled from Mosul. The entire Christian presence, has been extinguished in the Bible's "great city of Nineveh" — the centre of Christianity in Iraq for two millennia. This follows the uncompromising ultimatum by the Jihadists of ISIS to convert or die. On Sunday Pope Francis expressed his profound anguish: "Our brothers are persecuted, they are cast out, and are forced to leave their homes without having the chance to take anything with them."

Before pitilessly exiling the Christians on foot, ISIS stole everything they had — homes, businesses, cars, money and even wedding rings, sometimes with the ring fingers attached. Churches have all been destroyed or turned into mosques. ISIS has taken a sledgehammer to the tomb of Jonah, replaced the cross with the black Islamic flag on top of Mosul's St. Ephrem's Cathedral, and beheaded or crucified any Muslim who dared to dissent. The Christians in Mosul have gone from 30,000 to zero. This religious cleansing and unspeakable bigotry at work in Mosul makes hateful mockery of the UN and International Law.