

Rahan Parish

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH and THE ISLAND

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1st Sunday of Advent 1st December 2019

This Sunday marks a new liturgical year in the Church, and also the beginning of Advent. The Church encourages us to prepare for the coming of Our Saviour by fostering an attitude of expectation: 'Advent is therefore the propitious time to awaken in our hearts the expectation of 'he who is and who was and who is to come'.

KILLINA

Sunday 1st 10.30am:

Mass for Jack & Molly Buckley, Derrycooley, Rahan

Tuesday 3rd 7.30pm:

Mass in honour of Our Lady Queen of Peace of Medjugorje

And for a Private Intention

Friday 6th 7.30pm:

Mass for all those on the List of the Dead

Sunday 8th 10.30am:

Mass for Joseph & Mary Cantwell, Tully

THE ISLAND

Saturday 30th 6.00pm:

Mass for Joseph & Catherine Hickey, Brockagh & their sons Michael & Joseph

Friday 6th 6.30pm:

Mass for all those on the List of the Dead

Saturday 7th 6.00pm:

Mass for the deceased members of the Daly family, Ballina Cross

MUCKLAGH:

Saturday 30th 7.30pm:

Mass for Brigid & Jeremiah Mooney, Lynally

Sunday 1st 9.00am:

Mass for Pat Lacey, his mother Betty & his father Pat, Mucklagh

Sunday 1st 12noon:

Mass for Margaret & Patrick Walsh, Charleville Forest & Margaret Murphy, Charleville View

Tuesday 3rd 9.00am:

Wednesday 4th 7.30pm:

Mass for John, Margaret & Richard Larkin, Ross, Screggan & the deceased members of The Bonney family and also for Paraic Gallagher, Birr

Thursday 5th 9.00am:

Mass for Packie Troy, Curraghmore

& for the deceased members of the Troy & Heffernan families

Friday 6th 7.30pm:

Mass for all those on the List of the Dead & Helen & Michael Clavin, Lynally

Saturday 7th 7.30pm:

Mass for Bernie O' Connor (nee Condron), Canada

and her father Paudge & her sister Joan, Glaskill

and also for John O'Donoghue, Lynally Grove

Mass for Bill & Ann Coonan, Beechmount Park

Sunday 8th 9.00am:

Mass for Con Dunne, Roscore

Perpetual Adoration: of the Blessed Sacrament takes place:-

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

Mucklagh - every Thursday from 9.30am to 8.00pm.

Offertory/Plate:

Killina €325.00 **The Island** €140.00

Mucklagh €645.00

Development:

Killina & The Island €165.00

Mucklagh €665.00

Wedding Bells: Congratulations to **Declan Conroy**, Brocca Road, Mucklagh and **Claire Cahill**, Lynally Grove, Mucklagh who were married in St. Carthage's Church, Killina on the 22nd November. We wish them many happy years together

Our Parish Christian Community: Welcomes **James Huseyin Sokmen**, Ballard, Tullamore who was baptised in St. Carthage's Church, Killina on the 23rd November

Rosary: Every Monday night at 7.30pm in Cahill's, Adam's Villas. Cahill's is the 4th house on the left. All are very welcome to attend

Rahan Parish Christmas Confessions: Confessions will take place before and after all weekend masses on the 14th and 15th December. Many thanks to one and all for the great support

Bake Sale: To raise funds for the benefit of the Irish Wheelchair Association a cake sale is planned for the weekend of December 15th at all 3 churches of the parish. Fr. Guinan and friends have committed to make a Camino and to raise at least €1,000.00 each for the benefit of the association. We need all our good cooks to go to work and do some baking. We will also need assistance with organising and covering all masses on that weekend. Further information will be forthcoming

Christmas Concert: In the Tullamore Court Hotel Wednesday 4th December at 8.00pm with doors opening at 7.30pm. This concert is in aid of 4 charity's, Self Help Africa, Mary's Meals, Power 4 Food and Riada House. Fr. Ray Kelly will perform on the night along with lots more acts/bands. Tickets are €25 and can be got from Rose at 087 2393853. Thank You

MUCKLAGH COMMUNITY CENTRE: are hosting an open meeting on Wednesday December 4th at 8pm in the centre. You are invited to attend as an individual, group or representative of your club/group. We would really value your input and welcome volunteers in all areas. Do you have a few hours a week you could give? Have you a particular skill- set or knowledge to bring even, for a once-off event throughout the year. How the centre is serving you. How we can make it even better? We are interested in hearing your voice and ideas. Come along for a cuppa and a chat. Looking forward to seeing you there. Regards, Willie O'Grady Mucklagh Community Development CLG

Mucklagh Community Development: Lotto Results: Lotto Draw for Tuesday November 26th, 2-13-17-32 Next week's Draw: **Jackpot is €12,000 match 3 is €150.** Lotto tickets only €2, they can be purchased from any of our lotto promoters, Daybreak, Kelly's, The Fingerboard and Mucklagh Community Centre. Why not give a gift of Mucklagh community Lotto, 5 draws for €10, 10 draws for €20, 26 draws for €50 and 52 draws for €100. Thanks for your continued support. **Social Dancing:** Is on every Thursday night in Mucklagh Community Centre. 9pm to 11pm. Beginners welcome, no partners required. **Coffee Morning:** Why not joins us for a cup of Tea and a chat on Tuesday mornings 9.45 in the centre. **Active Age:** meet every Tuesday 2pm to 4pm in Mucklagh community Centre. All Welcome. **Crochet:** Classes are up and running every Thursday 7pm to 9pm. €10 per class. If anyone is interested in running a knitting class can you contact us at the centre. **Toddler Group:** Toddler Morning is on Wednesday Mornings at 10am. Parents, grandparents and Childminders welcome. **Irish Grinds:** Irish Grinds for Junior Cert and Leaving cert, higher and lower is up and running on Tuesday evenings from 4.15 to 5.15 for Junior Cert & 5.15 to 6.30 for Leaving Certs. Contact Mucklagh Community centre for further details. **Music Lessons:** Majella Killeen teaches Tin whistle and keyboard. Keyboard provided. Cost for 6 weeks is €48. **Free Computer classes:** for beginners on Thursdays from 10 to 12.30, learn how to use your laptop, ipad or smart phone. **Multi Skillz Family:** for children, every Friday from 4.45 to 5.45. Contact Maria Lambe 086 358 2066. **Irish dancing:** for children every Friday 5.45pm to 6.45pm with Ricky Lawless. **Walking Soccer:** A great way to keep fit and have some fun takes place in Mucklagh Community Centre on Wednesday evenings, Men's from 7-8 and Women's from 8-9pm. **Sports for All:** takes place on Thursday evenings from 7-8. Contact Brendan for more details 087 980 4357.

Rahan Bazaar: A huge word of thanks and well done to all involved in the organisation of Rahan Bazaar which took place last Sunday 24th November. Many thanks to all who came along and to those who donated prizes. Thanks also to Killina Presentation Secondary School for providing the venue

Mucklagh Christmas Tree: lights will be turned on **Friday 6th December at 6.30pm**, refreshments beforehand in the centre at 5.30pm.

The Island Christmas Tree: Lights will be switched on **Saturday 7th December after the 6.00pm evening Mass**

Killina Christmas Tree: Lights will be switched on **Saturday 7th December at 4.00pm**

Mucklagh Christmas Bazaar: Sunday 8th December 2pm to 5pm, All welcome for a fun afternoon of Face painting, tea & treats, Colouring competition ,etc and a visit from Santa. **For Details:** on all of the above or if you wish to book Mucklagh Community Centre please contact us on 057 93 56886 or email adminmcc@mucklagh.ie. Keep up to date on our Facebook page Mucklagh Community Centre or our webpage

Pollagh Heritage Group: would like to invite people to the launch of their book" The Story of Brickmaking in Pollagh, County Offaly" in Pollagh Community Centre on Sunday December 8th at 2pm. The book will be on sale on the day. Refreshments served.

Rahan Parish Christmas Carol Service: Our Christmas Carol Service this year will take place at 7.00pm on Sunday 8th December in The Island Church. Many thanks to one and all and to the choirs and to the local people of the Island area for their warm hospitality

Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: Led by Bishop Tom Deenihan, Bishop of Meath. Tuesday 13 – Thursday 22nd October 2020. €1,850.00 per person sharing. Single room supplement €650.00. For more information/bookings contact Niamh on 01 8085201

The Stoma Support Group: meeting will take place on Tuesday 10th December 6.30-8.30pm in the Dóchas Offaly Cancer Support Group Centre. Please contact Anne on 086 3074846. All are welcome

SafeTALK Suicide Prevention Training: This is a free course delivered by the HSE Midlands Resource Officer for Suicide Prevention. This training is suitable for everyone who wants to help prevent suicide and is prepared to become a 'suicide alert' helper, i.e. front line workers, clergy, volunteers, parents, teachers, citizens. It will take place on December 5th in Ballycommon TTC from 9.30am to 1pm. **This course is free but registration is essential.** See our FB page for details or call 05793-53177

Call Service: Our Friendly Call Service is a FREE telephone support for older people in the community which can help reduce the isolation and loneliness experienced by some older people. If you know anyone who would benefit from this free, confidential service contact the centre on 05793-53177 for further information.

Shamrock's Notes: LOTTO: The numbers drawn were 9-19-23-30. No jackpot winner. 2 match 3's win €200 each. Ashling Mollin (Ashling Mollin) & Geraldine Smith (T Buckley). Next week's jackpot is €6600 and match 3 will win or share €200. Draw in Kelly's.

Dates for your Diary:

Sunday 8th December: Annual Rahan Parish Carol Service in the Island Church at 7.00pm.

Sunday 15th December: Annual Rahan Parish Christmas Draw in Scoil Charthaigh Naofa, Newtown at 2.00pm

Sunday 29th December: Annual Carol Service in Rahan Church of Ireland at 4.00pm. All very welcome