

Rahan Parish

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH and THE ISLAND

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1st Sunday of Advent 28th November 2021

Our usual idea of time is sequential: we move forward like the water in a river. But liturgical time is like a circle which ends precisely where the line began. The unease that many people feel today comes from treating life as a succession of disconnected moments. The liturgical year starts and ends with God, our Beginning and our End, The end is where we start from, like deciding our destination before we start the journey. The Advent wreath symbolizes the circle of life. It is made from evergreen leaves which withstand the decay of winter in order to express the virtue of hope which survives darkness and coldness in the winter of faith. Week by week an extra candle is lit to express the coming of Christ. Christmas is the mid winter feast of light returning to conquer the darkness

KILLINA

Sunday 28th 10.30am: Mass for Kathleen & Paddy Monaghan, The Derries & Mrs Scott & her husband Ned

Tuesday 30th 7.30pm: Mass for James & Catherine Loonam, Killina & their daughter Angela Walsh

And also for Bridget Monaghan, Belmullet, Co. Mayo

Thursday 2nd 7.30pm: Month's Memory Mass for Willie McCourt, Rahan & remembering Jack & Molly, Buckley Derrycooley

Friday 3rd 7.30pm: **Mass for all those on the List of the Dead**

Sunday 5th 10.30am: Mass for Joseph & Mary Cantwell, Tully

THE ISLAND

Saturday 27th 6.00pm: Mass for Pat Egan, Ballycumber, Catherine Guinan, Dublin & the deceased members of the Egan family, Deerpark, The Island

Friday 3rd 6.30pm: **Mass for all those on the List of the Dead**

Saturday 4th 6.00pm: Mass for the deceased members of the Kennedy & Fallon families, Clonshanny

MUCKLAGH:

Saturday 27th 7.30pm: 1st Anniversary Mass for John Hanlon, Clonminch, Tullamore & also for his parents James & Mary and also Daniel & Kathleen Kenny, Teresa Steele & her son Donny

Sunday 28th 9.00am:

Sunday 28th 12noon: Mass for Margaret & Patrick Walsh, Charleville Forest and also for John O' Reilly, Hollyvale, Kilbride & Crannhouse, Maudabawn, Coothill, Co. Cavan

Wednesday 1st 7.30pm: Mass for Michael, Dominic, Johnny & Anna Condron & Maureen Curley, Fertaun

Thursday 2nd 9.00am: Mass for Dr Brendan & Maureen White, Tullamore

Friday 3rd 7.30pm: **Mass for all those on the List of the Dead & for Patrick Lacey & family, Mucklagh**
And also for Con Dunne & family, Roscore

Saturday 4th 7.30pm: Mass for Bernie O' Connor (nee Condron) Canada, her father Paudge & her sister Joan, Glaskill Avenue

Sunday 5th 9.00am:

Sunday 5th 12noon: 1st Anniversary Mass for Gerry & Eileen Murray, Charleville View, Tullamore
Also for Mary & Tommy Boylan, Beechmount Park & Margaret Murphy, Charleville View, Tullamore

Offertory/Plate:	Killina: €159.00	The Island: €106.00	Mucklagh: €320.00
Development:	Killina & The Island: €120.00		Mucklagh: €251.00

Adoration: Mucklagh: On Thursdays until further notice from 2.00pm-6.00pm. All are very welcome

Adoration: Killina: On Mondays from 3.00pm-10.00pm. All are very welcome

Adoration: The Island: On Tuesdays from 5.00pm-7.00pm & Saturday after Mass until 8.00pm. All are very welcome

In Memory: Please remember in your prayers the repose of the souls of **John (Jack) Brophy**, Marian Place, Tullamore (father of Joe, Ross Road) who died on the 17th November. His funeral took place on the 20th November in the Church of the Assumption, Tullamore followed by burial in Clonminch Cemetery, **Winifred Morris (formally Moran, nee Downes)**, late of the Island who died on the 18th November. Her funeral took place on the 22nd November in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Ferbane followed by burial in Kilrehan Cemetery, **Mary Moloney (nee Vaughn)**, formally Castletown, The Island who died in Sheffield, England on the 22nd November. Mary has relatives in the parish. Mary's funeral will take place at a later date in Sheffield, England and **Liam Maher**, The Derries and Australia (brother of the late Joe Maher, The Derries & the late Annie Dunne, Roscore) who died on the 24th November. May they rest in peace

Advent Begins: This Sunday the 28th of November is the 1st Sunday of Advent. The advent wreaths will be lit from this Sunday onwards to remind us of our preparation for Christmas Day. Many thanks to one and all who are preparing the churches for Advent at this time. The great efforts of everyone is deeply appreciated

Rahan Parish Christmas Confessions: Christmas Confessions will take place before and after all weekend masses on the 11th and 12th December. Many thanks to one and all for the great support
Our Parish Christian Community: Welcomes **Fiadh Kathleen Smith**, Murrough who was baptised in St. Carthage's Church, Killina on the 21st November

The Island School Remembrance Mass: A Mass took place on the 20th November to commemorate the closing of the Island School 50 years ago in 1971. Many thanks to all who came along to the Mass and a word of thanks to Noel Conroy who organised the photograph exhibition in the church and thanks to all who donated photographs. Every good wish to all past pupils and past teachers and staff members and many happy years for the future

Pilgrimage to Lourdes: From 29th April to 2nd May, 2022. Spiritual director is Fr. Frank Guinan. Cost is 535.00 all-inclusive, full board in a 4 star hotel. For more information phone 057 9355050 (**Mornings Only**)

Mucklagh Church: Volunteers needed for the cleaning and hovering of Mucklagh Church. Well done to all involved at the moment in keeping the church looking so well. Many thanks to one and all

List of the Dead Envelopes: Are available in the three churches of the Parish of Rahan. Envelopes can be dropped in to the parochial houses or the parish office on Wednesdays. Many thanks to one and all as we remember all of our loved ones for the month of November and during the 1st Friday masses throughout the year. These envelopes can be dropped into the parochial houses and sacristies or the parish office on Wednesdays

Mass of Remembrance: 12th & 19th November 2021: A huge word of thanks to all who worked so hard in preparation for the 2 Masses of Remembrance on the 12th & 19th November. Many thanks to each and every person for their huge efforts and to Deirdre Byrne and the Troy family for providing the music and singing. A word of thanks also to the bereaved families who came along on the night. We will continue to remember all of our loved ones in our parish masses and prayers. May they rest in peace

Graduation Night: Killina Presentation Secondary School: Congratulations and well done to all from Killina Presentation Secondary School who had their graduation night on the 12th November, 2021. We wish the class of 2021 and all graduates from all of the local secondary schools every success for the future and many happy years

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People: ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

Offaly Volunteer: If you are interested in registering your voluntary organisation or becoming a volunteer contact 083 - 0154669 for more information or register on www.volunteeroffaly.ie

Mary's Meals: WANTED: Your loose change to feed a child in school in the Third World. It only costs €18.30 per school year to feed a child. Buckets for donations are available in Flynn's Centra, The Fingerboard, Hanlon's Butcher's, Tyrrell's Cake Shop and Galvin's for Men, Tullamore. For more information please contact Rose on 087 2393853.

Thank You from Mary's Meals, Offaly

Mucklagh Community Centre: Lotto: 23/11/2021: Numbers drawn by Clubforce App 4 7 13 & 28. No Match 3 Winners. No Jackpot Winners. Next Draw Tuesday November 30th. Jackpot €7,000. Match 3 €300. Please note our free Christmas Draw takes place on Tuesday December 14th. Every week we will enter your ticket into our Christmas draw. Thank You for Your continued Support. The Lotto Team

Shamrock's Notes: Lotto: Shamrock's Lotto Numbers drawn were 10, 24, 28 bonus 1. No jackpot or match 3 winners. 4 lucky dip winners, Aine Cusack, Liam Byrne, Marie Barron and Jim Guilfoyle each winning €25. Jackpot next week €17000 and €500 for match 3.

Rahan Parish Christmas Draw: Our annual parish Christmas draw takes place on Sunday 12th December in Newtown School at 2.30pm. 2 draw cards will be dropped into each house of the parish. Many thanks to all those who distribute the draw cards. The usual prizes of €500, €300, €200, €100, 5 Turkeys, 5 Hams, 5 bottles of Brandy, 5 bottles of Whiskey, 5 Christmas cakes and lots of other donated prizes will be available. Many thanks to everybody for your huge support for the Parish of Rahan and good luck to one and all and we rely as always on the area distributors to hand in 2 draw tickets to each household. Many thanks to one and all who are helping to distribute the draw tickets

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