

# *Rahan Parish*

***KILLINA, MUCKLAGH and THE ISLAND***

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**21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2020**

The destructive forces of evil will never destroy the church built on the man who was called Peter, the rock. Never indicates that the authority vested in Peter would not cease at his death. There have been two hundred and sixty-seven successors of Peter. How blessed the church has been in the past hundred years in the wisdom and sanctity of its Popes

## **Parish of Rahan**

**Offertory/Plate 16<sup>th</sup> Aug: €70.00**  
**Development Fund 16<sup>th</sup> Aug: €420.00**

**Rahan Parish Masses:** Due to the present Covid-19 regulations in Co. Offaly, there will be no Masses during the week and at weekends in the Parish of Rahan until after Sunday the 23<sup>rd</sup> August and the situation Re: Masses will be reviewed after this time in relation to the HSE and Government Guidelines. Mass will take place on Webcam next Sunday at 11.00am from Lawless Funeral Home, Mucklagh Many thanks to one and all for your great cooperation at this difficult time

**In Memory:** Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of **May (Mary) Cowen (nee Weir)**, (mother of Brian Cowen) River Street, The Square, Clara who died on the 13<sup>th</sup> August. Her funeral took place on the 15<sup>th</sup> August in St. Brigid's Church, Clara followed by burial in the Monastery Cemetery, Clara. May she rest in peace

**Our Parish Christian Community:** Welcomes **Lucy Catherine Fraser**, Tegan Court, Mucklagh who was baptised in St. Colman's Church on the 15<sup>th</sup> August and **Fionn Michael Molloy and Sadhbh Molloy**, Roscore, Blueball who were baptised in St. Carthage's Church, Killina on the 16<sup>th</sup> August

**Adoration: Mucklagh:** On Thursdays from 2.00pm-6.00pm. All are very welcome and more adorers would be very much appreciated

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

**Rahan Parish Mass Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> August at 11.00am on the Webcam from Lawless Funeral Home Mucklagh:**

<https://site2.watchmcnmedia.tv/camera/lawless-tullamore.html>

OR

1. MCN MEDIA
2. Republic of Ireland
3. Cameras
4. View Funeral Home
5. Scroll to Lawless Funeral Home and Click on it

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**Tax Rebate Forms:** Even though it's later than usual this year, parishioners who are PAYE taxpayers and Self Employed who have donated €250 or more to the parish through their weekly Envelopes Collections and Offering Collections or through Standing Orders should have received their letters. If you wish to return them, could you do so as soon as possible. You can hand them in to the Parochial House's in Mucklagh or Killina. As always, Thank You for your ongoing support

**A new pilgrimage on Lough Derg's Lakeshore:** *Walk and Pray* in the Lough Derg tradition on 22, 26 & 30 August. At times in the 1600s and 1700s when Station Island was closed by the Penal Laws, pilgrims undertook a form of pilgrimage on the lough shore. Walk in their footsteps. Contact 0 (0353) 71 9861518 or [info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org) for details. Numbers are limited. Advance booking essential.

**COVID-19 Support Line for Older People:** ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of 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.

**Mucklagh Community Development Notes:** For more information and bookings please email [adminmcc@mucklagh.ie](mailto:adminmcc@mucklagh.ie) or Phone, 057 93 56886.

**LOTTO:** The lotto took place in Mucklagh Community Centre on Tuesday **18/08/2020**. Numbers drawn were. 11,16,17 & 22 No Jackpot winner. 2 Match 3 Winners . Next Draw Tuesday **25/08/2020** in Mucklagh Community Centre. **Jackpot is €12,000**. 2 Match 3 numbers, Mairead Flatherty C/O Willie O' Grady and Rita Kinahan C/O L. Mooney. Match 3 numbers is €150 this week. Lotto Tickets can be purchased in Mucklagh Community Centre, Day Break, The Fingerboard, Kelly's Off licence or any of our promoters. For €2 you could win or share our jackpot for €12,000 or play 5 weeks for €10. Why not give a Birthday Present or a Thank-you gift of Local Lotto? For €20 you can enter someone special into 10 weekly draws and be in with a chance to win or share in our jackpot of €12,000 or match 3 numbers and be in with a chance to win or share €300.

Thanks to everyone for your continued support.

**Shamrock's Notes: Lotto Numbers:** The numbers drawn were 8-11-19-30. There was no jackpot winner. There was 2 match 3 winners each winning €100 each. Joe Dooley (J. Kearney) & Darrell Dwyer (K. Dwyer). Jackpot next week is €12,200 and the draw will be in Mucklagh Clubhouse.

### ***A Prayer Amid a Pandemic***

Jesus Christ, you travelled through towns and villages "curing every disease and illness." At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the Coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love.

Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain their strength and health through quality medical care.

Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbours from helping one another.

Heal us from our pride, which can make us claim invulnerability to a disease that knows no borders.

Jesus Christ, healer of all, stay by our side in this time of uncertainty and sorrow.

Be with those who have died from the virus. May they be at rest with you in your eternal peace.

Be with the families of those who are sick or have died. As they worry and grieve, defend them from illness and despair. May they know your peace.

Be with the doctors, nurses, researchers and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help those affected and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace.

Be with the leaders of all nations. Give them the foresight to act with charity and true concern for the well-being of the people they are meant to serve. Give them the wisdom to invest in long-term solutions that will help prepare for or prevent future outbreaks. May they know your peace, as they work together to achieve it on earth.

Whether we are home or abroad, surrounded by many people suffering from this illness or only a few, Jesus Christ, stay with us as we endure and mourn, persist and prepare. In place of our anxiety, give us your peace. Jesus Christ heal us.