

PARISH OF RAHAN

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

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23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 6th September 2015.

Early September is a novel time; new schools, new classes, new teachers, new children in schools, to mention one area. A time of anxiety and excitement; a mixture of bitter and sweet. A time for encouraging people. The liturgy accommodates that this weekend: it is pickled with words of assurance. The word courage pops out at us with a bolstering pick-me-up.

KILLINA

Sunday 6th 10.30am:

Mass for Zeena McDevitt & the Sherlock Family, Killina.

Tuesday 8th 7.30pm:

Wednesday 9th 9.00am:

Mass in the Convent.

Friday 11th 9.00am:

Sunday 13th 10.30am:

Mass for the 10th Anniversary of the Clodagh Active Retirement Group
And also remembering it's deceased members.

THE ISLAND

Saturday 5th 6.00pm:

Mass for Joe & Joan Maher, The Derries.

Saturday 12th 6.00pm:

Mass for John, Maura & Peter Kinahan, Deerpark.

MUCKLAGH CHURCH

Saturday 5th 7.30pm:

Mass for Nora Smyth, Charleville Road.

Sunday 6th 9.00am:

Mass for Tony Neville, Queens, New York & Lynally.

Sunday 6th 12noon:

Mass for John & Mary Meehan, Beechmount Park.

Tuesday 8th 9.00am:

Wednesday 9th 7.30pm:

Mass for Pauline Delaney, Ross Road, Screggan.

Thursday 10th 9.00am:

Friday 11th 7.30pm:

Mass for Kathy Cunningham

Saturday 12th 7.30pm:

Mass for Edward & May Faherty, Charleville Road.

Sunday 13th 9.00am:

Mass for William Power, Kildare & Tullamore.

Sunday 13th 12noon:

Mass for Phil Hussey, Cloonagh.

Perpetual Adoration: of the Blessed Sacrament takes place:-

Killina Church

- every Monday from 3pm to 10pm.

The Island

- every Tuesday from 6pm to 7pm.

Mucklagh

- every Thursday from 9.30am to 8.00pm.

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

Holy Hour/Adoration and Prayers in Mucklagh Church on Monday evening from 7.30-8.30pm (1st Monday of Month)

Offertory/Plate:

Killina €142.00

The Island €168.00

Mucklagh €848.00

Dev Fund:

Killina & The Island €235.00

Mucklagh €345.00

National Eucharistic Congress 2015: takes place in Knock Shrine on the 26th & 27th September. See the Eucharistic Congress website www.nec.2015.ie for more information

Our Parish Christian Community: Welcomes **Robert John Galvin**, Daingean who was baptised on the 29th August and **Lily Julie-Ann Gillespie**, Tullamore who was baptised on the 30th August in St. Colman's Church.

In Memory: Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of **Catherine (Kate) Doolin**, Cornalaur, Rahan and formally Philadelphia, U.S.A. who died on the 30th August. Her funeral took place on Wednesday 2nd September in St. Carthage's Church, Killina followed by cremation in Glasnevin Crematorium. May she rest in peace.

Eucharistic Ministers on Duty in Mucklagh for September: **Saturday 7.30pm Mass:** 5th/6th, 12th/13th, 19th/20th & 26th/27th: Mary Mc Donnell, Tom Cunningham & Teresa Mc Mahon. **Sunday 9.00am Mass:** B. O' Mahony & Marie White. **Sunday 12noon Mass:** Kathleen Kenaney & Tony Reynolds.

World Suicide Prevention Day: Sunday 6th September. 'Songs of Hope & Inspiration' at 7.00pm. St. Catherine's Church, Tullamore. Thursday 10th September, Ecumenical Services of Hope & Remembrance at 7.30pm in St. Peter & Paul's Church, Portlaoise and Christ the King Cathedral, Mullingar.

Collection for Priests Salaries: The September Collection will be taken up this weekend and for the following few weekends. As always **Please use the special Envelope** in your boxes for this purpose. If you use a different envelope please write your name and address on it so it can be recorded. As always we thank you for your generous support throughout the year.

Mucklagh Community Development: Lotto: 01/09/15 numbers drawn 3-20-28-30. No Jackpot Winner. Three match three winners Dennis Dooley, Mark Brady, Siobhan o Neill Win €50 each. Next week's jackpot €12,000. & Match Three €150.

Rahan Badminton: Rahan Junior Badminton resumes on Friday 4th September. Existing members, times as of last year. New members are welcome. Places are limited. For more information please contact Martina on 086 0832751 or Helen on 087 6392292.

Rahan Social Services: Chiropodist will be in Rahan Community Centre on Friday 11th September. People from Mucklagh will be seen between 10.30am & 12.30pm and Rahan people will be seen from 1pm onwards. All toes welcome.

Mucklagh Tidy Towns: Mucklagh Tidy Towns are hosting a table quiz on Friday the 25th September at 8.30pm in the Golf Club, Tullamore. Table of 4 is €40 with discounted student rates. If you would like to book a table please contact Nicola Mannion on 087 6500716. We thank all who work so hard in trying to keep our village and surrounding areas clean and tidy but we would like more volunteers to help out please. If you would like to give an hour or so of your time please contact Maureen or Cep on 086 3056700

Rahan Comhaltas: Our Step Dancing and Music lessons will commence in Scoil Charthaigh Naofa, Newtown, Rahan on Friday 11th of September. We offer classes in the following disciplines: Accordion, Banjo, Concertina, Dance, Fiddle, Flute, Guitar, Keyboard, Mandolin, Whistle. Also this year we have a new Group Ensemble Development class for advanced students. Our Set Dancing classes will resume in Rahan GAA rooms, Tullabeg on Thursday 24th. For further information on this contact Deirdre on 086 0886648. You can also keep up with our news and upcoming events on www.rahamcomhaltas.com

Community Games: Well done to all our children who represented the parish and the county brilliantly at the national community games finals in August. In particular congratulations to the u-12 girls soccer team who won gold, beating Bruff/Grange Meanus from Limerick in the final. This is the second time in three years that these girls have brought back gold to the parish. The team were made up of Ciara Glackin, Ciara Heffernan, Aishling Heavey, Ava Dolan, Lauren Martin, Leah Dunne, Becky Watkins, Rachel Walsh, Megan Maxwell and Lucy Ryan. A fantastic achievement also from the talented Grace Minnock who won gold in Solo Music. The medals did not end there as Emily Cunningham also collected bronze in the u-10 handwriting competition. Thank you to all the coaches, parents, volunteers, schools and other organisations who assisted and contributed to the success of the community games in 2015.

West Offaly Training: will begin an ECDL course in Crank House Banagher, on Tuesday, September 8th and in Tullamore on Thursday, September 10th. For further information call Carmel on 057 9152003.

Starting your own Business Course (Tullamore): Starting your own Business course commencing in Tullamore on Monday, 21 September. Running over 3 consecutive Mondays until 5 October from 9.30am to 4.30pm. Course fee only €70, or free to JSB or JSA payment recipients. For more information and to reserve a place, please contact Local Enterprise Office Offaly, on 057 9357480 or download an application form from their website www.localenterprise.ie/Offaly

Rahan Community Alert: We urgently need volunteers in the Killina and Roscore areas to help forward our Text Alerts when we receive them from Sgt. Kavanagh. If we have 3-4 people in each area it makes it easy on everybody so this important work can continue. There is a lot of crime happening out there so maybe you can help minimise it. Ring 086 866 5362 if interested. Thanks.

Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Led by Bishop Smith 12 -17 September 2015. Return flights, 5 nights. Hotel full board, insurance & taxes €719. To book, contact: Tel: 01-6359300. There are some pilgrim places still available.

Catholic Grandparents Annual National Pilgrimage to Knock: takes place on Sunday 13th September. Ceremonies commence at 2.30 pm. Chief Celebrant - Bishop Brendan Leahy, Bishop of Limerick.

Midland Drama Schools: are now enrolling for the new term. For more information contact Lorraine Wynne on 087 2924719 or visit www.dramaschool.ie

Shamrock's Notes: LOTTO: The numbers drawn were 7-26-28-30. No Jackpot Winner. 1 x Match 3 receives €200. Carmel Healion - Herself

Shamrock Ladies: Our junior ladies didn't get the result they wanted at the weekend! In what was our first year in a junior final since 2008 and with a lot of young players on board we are definitely moving in the right direction! Let's regroup during the week and keep plugging away and prepare for a league final! Remember You are never a loser until you quit trying.

Fixtures: Wednesday 9th U14 Hurling Championship: Shamrocks V's Tullamore at 6.00pm in Crinkle, Friday 11th U12 Hurling League: Shamrocks V's Clara in Rahan at 6.30pm.

Tax Rebate Forms: Many thanks to all who have returned the forms. Anyone who has not yet done so can drop them into either of the parochial houses where they will be returned to Revenue for Tax Relief for the Parish. This source of income is of great financial help and a boost to parish funds. Thanks again.