

RAHAN PARISH COMMUNITY

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 18th September 2016

There are times in our lives when we feel weighed down by the burdens of life, struggling to keep afloat, hoping that someone will come along and help us out, and being grateful then when they do. May we all encounter the joy of being set free from the burdens of life that weigh us down. May we experience the master's boundless, merciful love in our lives, and value the support we get from others when living is hard.

KILLINA

Sunday 18th 10.30am:

Mass for John & Anne Buckley, Goldsmith's Lot

Tuesday 20th 7.30pm:

Ploughing Championships: Kindly Note: No Evening Mass

Wednesday 21st 9.00am:

Ploughing Championships: Kindly Note: No Morning Mass

Friday 23rd 7.30pm:

Mass for Pauric McDonald, Screggan

Sunday 25th 10.30am:

THE ISLAND

Saturday 17th 6.00pm:

Mass for Pe & Kit Daly and their grandchildren, Catriona & Edwin White & deceased family members, Ballina

Saturday 24th 6.00pm:

Mass for Kathleen Hickey, Brockagh

MUCKLAGH CHURCH

Saturday 17th 7.30pm:

Mass for Margaret, Harry & John Comerford, Ballard

Sunday 18th 9.00am:

Mass for a Special Intention

Sunday 18th 12noon:

Mass for Bill Power, Athy & Tullamore

Tuesday 20th 9.00am

Ploughing Championships: Kindly Note: No Morning Mass

Wednesday 21st 7.30pm:

Ploughing Championships: Kindly Note: No Evening Mass

Thursday 22nd 9.00am:

Ploughing Championships: Kindly Note: No Morning Mass

Friday 23rd 7.30pm:

Mass for Sonny & Margaret McGrath, Adam's Villas

Saturday 24th 7.30pm:

Mass for Michael Cooney, Clonad & Fergus Conroy, Killurin

Sunday 25th 9.00am:

Sunday 25th 12noon:

Mass for Dolores Keyes, her daughter Carmel & her son Paul, Screggan Cross

Perpetual Adoration: of the Blessed Sacrament takes place:-

Killina Church

- every Monday from 3pm to 10pm.

The Island

- postponed until further notice.

Mucklagh

- every Thursday from 9.30am to 8.00pm.

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

Offertory/Plate:

Killina €135.00 The Island €135.00

Mucklagh €720.00

Dev Fund:

Killina & The Island €710.00

Mucklagh €510.00

In Memory: Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of **Jimmy Molloy**, Morrough, Rahan (brother of Eileen & Margaret) who died on the 14th September. His funeral took place on 17th September in St. Carthage's Church, Killina with burial afterwards in Rahan Cemetery. May he rest in peace.

Our Parish Christian Community: Welcomes **Molly Grace Dunne**, Ross Road, Screggan who was baptised in St. Colman's Church, Mucklagh on the 10th September.

Rosary Prayers: The Rosary will be recited after the 7.30pm Mass each Tuesday evening in Killina Church for the prevention of suicide

Our Lady Queen of Peace: Prayer Group for Children and their families: We invite all children and their families of Rahan Parish Community to gather to celebrate a Children's Mass in Killina Church on the 29th September at 7.00pm and also to gather on the last Thursday of each month at 7.00pm for a monthly Children's Mass with their families. It is hoped that this group in honour of Our Lady Queen of Peace will be a great blessing for all involved. All are very welcome to come along.

Parish Masses during the Ploughing Championship: There will be no Masses held in the three Churches of the Parish during the 3 days of the Ploughing Championship due to the build up of heavy traffic. The parish office will be open on Friday 23rd September from 9.30am-5.30pm, and funeral arrangements can be made if necessary. Many thanks to all.

Dates to keep in mind: Confirmation: for 6th Class in both Schools, Wednesday 1st March, 2017 at 3pm in Killina Church.

First Holy Communion Killina: Saturday 6th May, 2017 at 11.00am.

First Holy Communion Mucklagh: Saturday 13th May, 2017 at 11.30am

Tax Rebate Forms: By now, 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 forms. In 2013, there was a change in Revenue regulations. Now any self employed person or employee with a donation of €250 or more, can help the parish to attain a tax rebate. This donation greatly helps Parish funds. Thanks again for your generosity in contributing to the parish at all times.

1st Communion Parents: A meeting will take place for the parents of the 1st Communion Children of St. Colman's National School, Mucklagh on Tuesday 27th September at 8.00pm in Mucklagh Church and a meeting for the parents of the 1st Communion Children of Scoil Charthaigh Naofa, Newtown will take place in Scoil Charthaigh Naofa on Wednesday 28th September at 6.15pm. Many thanks to all.

Mucklagh Community Lotto: draw 13/09/16 numbers drawn 7-16-19-31. No Jackpot winner. One match three winner. Tony Cleary wins €150. Next week's Jackpot €12,000 and Match three win/share €150. Thanks for the continued support.

Ploughing Championship Information: "From 3rd August Sergt. Graham Kavanagh and Garda Fergus Collins will be calling to households locally to work with people with regards, getting about during the Ploughing Championships. Sergt. Kavanagh can be contacted 9-5 on 0868281383. Text your full name and location to him and he will get back to you".

Junior Cert Students: Every good wish to all the Junior Cert students who have recently received their exam results in the local secondary schools. We wish you every success for the future.

Social Badminton: On Tuesday nights at 8.30pm in Rahan Hall. New members are very welcome. Contact Martina on 086 0832751

Christmas Pilgrimage to the Holy land 2016: from 19th-27th December 8 nights. Taking in Bethlehem, Jerusalem (Mount of Olives, Garden of Gethsemane, Last Supper Room and Calvary), Mount Tabor, Cana, Nazareth, Jericho, Dead Sea and Sea of Galilee. Ex Dublin. Price €1,374. Contact James Treacy 061-921470 or 0860572216

Clonfert: Celebrating the **Feast of Padre Pio on the healing day, September 24th**. The service starts at 10.30am and ends with Mass at 4.00pm.

Church of Ireland Harvest Thanksgiving Service: A Harvest Thanksgiving Service will take place in the Church of Ireland, Rahan at 4.00pm on Sunday 16th October. The service will be officiated by The Most Reverend Pat Storey, Church of Ireland, Bishop of Meath and Kildare. Many thanks to all involved and well done in all the great efforts. All are very welcome to attend.

Easter Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 2017: Under the leadership of Sr. Consilio Rock and Frs. Gerry McCormack & Dwayne Gavin: Easter Tuesday 18 – Wednesday 26 April 2017. 9 day Pilgrimage will begin in Jerusalem - the Via Dolorosa, the Holy Sepulchre, Mount Zion and the Holocaust Museum Yad Vashem, Bethlehem and a day in the desert visiting Qumran where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found and taking a dip in the Dead Sea. Visit Emmaus on way to Tiberias - Nazareth, Cana, the Mount of Beatitudes, Mount Tabor, Capernaum and a boat trip on the Sea of Galilee itself. Price: €1,559.00 per person sharing

National Ploughing Championship: Screggan: Every good wish to all involved and to each and every person who has made huge efforts in preparation for the National Ploughing Championship in Screggan on the 20th, 21st & 22nd September, 2016. A very warm welcome to each and every person who is coming to Screggan and we wish you a very memorable three days during the championship. Every good luck to the committee members and to the huge amount of people who have worked so hard to make these days a great success.

Shamrock's Notes: Lotto: The numbers drawn were 2,4,8,10. 10 match 3s €20 each. Lenny McLoughlin (Tullybeg), Conor & David Hickey (Flynn's), Dympna Cleary (E. Yeates), J. McMahon (J. Kearney), Declan O' Hanlon (T. Hanlon), Brenda & Martin Liggan (C. Healion), Sinead Egan (B. Mooney), Carmel Healion (C. Healion), Maura Hickey (J. Hennessy), Sharon Spain (C. Healion). Jackpot is €13,000. Draw is in Tullybeg next week at 8.00pm. **Results:** The U14 hurlers went out on Saturday to play the replay of the C competition against Ballyskenagh/Killavilla in Coolderry. Final score Shamrock's 3-07 B/K 1-08. Well done to the team and management on bringing home some silverware to the club. And a huge thank you to Coolderry for the use of the pitch and how professionally organised everything was. Hard luck to the Senior Hurlers who lost against Lusmagh on Sunday in a relegation match. They now have to play Ballinamere in the hope of staying in Senior next year. Well done to Shamrock's U10 Footballers who won the Clonaslee Football tournament last Sunday after 5 tough matches including extra time in the final. Great win for Shamrock's U12 Footballers in final game of the year beating St. Broghan's 2-5 to 0-5 on Wednesday. **Monster Draw:** Please come down to the Shamrock's tent while at the Ploughing and show your support. The first prize shed will be on display along with some of the other prizes. Rock on Paddy will be performing on Tuesday and Wednesday. There will be TV's showing past hurling and football matches. Tickets for the draw are €10. All support is greatly appreciated.

New Envelope Year: Starts on the 1st Sunday in October. Once again we will be relying on the good will and generosity of Area Helpers to deliver boxes to the various areas in the Parish with the accompanying Parish Letter. The boxes are now ready for collection. Thank you to all