

RAHAN PARISH COMMUNITY

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 20th September 2015.

In Eucharist we welcome Jesus, but this welcome is not complete unless it extends to his members. Welcome means being sensitive, paying attention, giving time, having patience, toleration and understanding. Read Chrysostom's powerful sermon in readings. He is very challenging on the hypocrisy of showing reverence to Christ in the sacrament while neglecting him in his members.

KILLINA

Sunday 20th 10.30am:

Mass for James & Margaret Cantwell, Derrynanagh.

Tuesday 22nd 7.30pm:

Mass Sr. Carthage Kelly, Goldsmith's Lot.

Wednesday 23rd 9.00am:

Mass in the Convent.

Friday 25th 9.00am:

Sunday 27th 10.30am:

THE ISLAND

Saturday 19th 6.00pm:

Mass for Kathleen Hickey, Brockagh.

Saturday 26th 6.00pm:

MUCKLAGH CHURCH

Saturday 19th 7.30pm:

Mass for Margaret, Harry & John Comerford, Ballard.

Sunday 20th 9.00am:

Sunday 20th 12noon:

Mass for Michael Cooney, Clonad.

Monday 21st 7.00pm:

Lynally Cemetery Mass & Devotions.

Tuesday 22nd 9.00am:

Wednesday 23rd 7.30pm:

Mass for Sonny & Margaret McGrath, Adam's Villas.

Thursday 24th 9.00am:

Friday 25th 7.30pm:

Mass for Alo Cannon, Mucklagh.

Saturday 26th 7.30pm:

Mass for Fergus Conroy, Killurin.

Sunday 27th 9.00am:

Mass for Dolores Keyes & her daughter Carmel, Screggan.

Sunday 27th 12noon:

Mass for Aggie White, Adam's Villas.

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.

New Envelope Year: Starts on 1st Sunday in October. The new boxes are almost ready for distribution. 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. A Big Thank You

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

Offertory/Plate:	Killina €185.00	The Island €170.00	Mucklagh €700.00
Dev Fund:	Killina & The Island €445.00		Mucklagh €660.00

In Memory: Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of **Robert (Bobby) Monahan**, late of Derrycooley and Belfast and who died on the 11th September. His funeral took place in Holy Family Church, Belfast on the 14th September with burial afterwards in Milltown Cemetery. May he rest in peace.

Our Parish Christian Community: Welcomes **Evanne Rose Cassidy**, 65 Tegan Court who was baptised in St. Colman's Church on the 12th September.

Churchgate Collection: Epilepsy Ireland will hold their Annual Churchgate Collection at all Masses this weekend.

Invitation: Pope Francis invites us all to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, to know Christ ourselves and to speak about Him with confidence and joy. We know we are being asked to see our faith as something to be part of our everyday lives and experiences. How can we do this? It can seem so difficult in the challenging world we live in. One thing we can do is look to grow and be encouraged in our faith. The series of talks in the established Alpha course is one simple way to do just that this autumn. Taking place on Monday evenings from 8pm-9.30pm in the Church of the Assumption Tullamore Day Chapel, starting on Monday 28th September, there is no charge and no pressure but simply a chance to explore our faith in a friendly setting.

Confirmation 2016: Confirmation for our Class 6 in both Primary Schools will take place on Sunday 29th May, 2016 at 1.00pm in St. Colman's Church, Mucklagh.

Top marks for two students in Killina Presentation: The school community of Killina Presentation was delighted with the excellent results received by last year's Junior Certificate students on Wednesday 9th September. This year continued the trend of Killina students achieving top grades; with two of our students, Brian Cleary and Thomas Britten achieving A grades in all eleven of their exams. Their results were testament to the student's hard work and well deserved. Principal of Killina, John Cotter was thrilled to see two students doing particularly well but was keen to stress that the school was proud of all of its student's achievements and congratulated them all for their hard work, effort and perseverance. He also thanked the teaching staff for their hard work and effort throughout the year in curricular and extracurricular arenas.

Mucklagh Community Development: Lotto: 15/09/15 numbers drawn 16-22-23-29. No Jackpot Winner. No match three winner. Next week's jackpot €12,000. Next week's match three .€300 Thanks for the continued support.

Rahan Badminton: Rahan Junior Badminton has resumed. 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.

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 have commenced in Scoil Charthaigh Naofa, Newtown, Rahan. 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.rahancomhaltas.com

Mucklagh Community Alert: Text alert meeting will be held on Wednesday 7th October at 7.30pm in Mucklagh Community Centre. For the smooth running of this service, it is imperative that we have a number of volunteers from every part of the Mucklagh area. Please come along to hear how we can improve crime awareness in the Mucklagh area. Garda Graham Kavanagh will be in attendance.

St Carthage's Boxing Club: continues on Wednesday evenings in Rahan Hall please come along. Also Rahan Gym will be open Monday to Friday from 9am-1pm and 6pm-10pm there will be classes Tuesday and Thursday evening 7.30-8.30pm costing €5 for members and €8 for non members.

DOCHAS Offaly Cancer Support Group: Offaly St, Drop In Centre. Mon-Thur 10am-2pm . Phone Support. 9328268.

Healing Meditation: on every Wednesday evening at 8.15pm in The Darmah Centre, Tullamore. Cost is €7. For more details please call Ger on 086 9871898.

Annual Tullamore Parish Mission in honour of St. Therese: Church of the Assumption, Tullamore, Mon 21-Sat 26 Sept. Mass at 10.00am & 7.30pm (evening Mass concludes with Benediction. This year the theme of the mission is Places of Pilgrimage - Our Journey of Faith. Each day we will spiritually visit some places of pilgrimage, in Ireland and abroad. Each destination has a different emphasis, which is reflected in the theme of the day.

Shamrock's Notes: Lotto: The numbers drawn were 8,10,22 & 28. 3 match 3's €70. Catherine Mooney c/ o Kelly's, Kieran White c/ o G. White and M. Galvin c/o B. Mc Evoy. Jackpot will be €4000 next week and the draw in Kellys

AGM: Shamrocks Gaa AGM will held on Friday 9th October at 8pm in Mucklagh Clubhouse. All members welcome.

U16 Football: Well done to our u16 footballers who put in a tremendous performance to over come Gracefield in the u16B football quarter final. Shamrocks worked there socks off from start to finish! They had stars all over the field!!! They finished up on a score line of 6-5 to 3-8.

Ladies Football: U14 Final: What an unbelievable way to finish the u14 championship. Coming from 4 points down with only a minute left on the clock, forcing extra time. Then to go down 1-1 in the first 4 mins of extra time and still pull it back to a draw. There were great scenes of jubilation when captains Keeva Healion and Lauren Dolan lifted the cup! Pride of the parish this week most definitely goes to these young ladies! Our club motto is "The team that works the hardest is the team that wins the game". This definitely was the case this evening! A huge shout out to all the supporters we had at the game. It was super to see. Special thanks to Mary, Lisa, Jer and Helen! Final score Shamrocks 5-11 Clara 5-8 **U13:** Our U13B girls had an impressive victory over St. Broughan's on Sunday evening qualifying them for the U13 division 3 League Final. Our U13A team play Ballinamere/Durrow in the division 2 semi final time and venue to be confirmed!

Our U10 girls played a very competitive game against St Rynagh's on Saturday morning! And also well done to Eileen Bracken and Chloe Fitzpatrick on their tremendous victory in the U14A Camogie final last week. A great achievement for the two girls to do the double in Camogie and football!