

OPARISH OF RAHAN

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time 12th October 2014.

Today's readings are a wake-up call, telling us that God is never exactly what we imagine. It can be a puzzle to us: God is so compassionate, yet Jesus said some disturbing things. The invitation is not a 'come if you can' polite offer but more of a 'this is your chance,' cautioning that you might not get it again. What exactly are we being invited to? We don't know the details beyond the Wedding Feast image but it must be more than just a party, otherwise we would not have been warned with such blunt knowledge.

KILLINA

Sunday 12th 10.30am: Mass for Michael & May O' Brien, Goldsmith's Lot.
Tuesday 14th 7.30pm: -----
Wednesday 15th 9.00am: Mass in the Convent.
Thursday 16th 7.30pm: **Enrolment Ceremony for Communion. Scoil Chartaigh Naofa.**
Friday 17th 9.00am: -----
Sunday 19th 10.30am: Mass for Harry & Margaret Corcoran, Killina & Helen Corrigan & Dan & Mary O' Meara, Killurin.

THE ISLAND

Saturday 11th 6.00pm: Mass for Michael Conroy, Deerpark.
Saturday 18th 6.00pm: Mass for Joe, Mary & Gus Lowry, Castletown.

MUCKLAGH CHURCH

Saturday 11th 7.30pm: 1st Anniversary Mass for Bill Daly, St. O' Hara's.
Sunday 12th 9.00am: Mass for Carthage Morrissey & deceased members of the Morrissey & Moran families.
Sunday 12th 12noon: Mass for Elvis Tierney, Beechmount Park.
Monday 13th 6.00pm: **Celebration of Mass at the Old Church, Lynally.**
Tuesday 14th 9.00am: -----
Wednesday 15th 7.30pm: Month's Memory Mass for Betty Martin Cullen, Prosperous, Naas.
Thursday 16th 9.00am: -----
Friday 17th 7.30pm: -----
Saturday 18th 7.30pm: Mass for Ita & Frank Dunne.
Sunday 19th 9.00am: Mass for Joe & Ellen Healion, Spollenstown, Tullamore.
Sunday 19th 12noon: Month's Memory Mass for Josephine Molloy, Roscore.

Perpetual Adoration: of the Blessed Sacrament takes place:-
Killina Church - every Monday from 3pm to 10pm.
The Island - every Tuesday from 2pm to 3pm.
Mucklagh - every Thursday from 9.30am to 8.00pm.
Holy Hour Convent, Killina - every Thursday - from 2pm to 3pm.

Notices for Newsletter: Anyone wishing to send in notices for the Newsletter should now send them to rahanparish@gmail.com Most of the Newsletter is put together on Tuesday, the deadline for notices is now Wednesday night as it will be printed on Thursdays. Thank You

Offertory/Plate: Killina €126.00	The Island €215.00	Mucklagh €1,020.00
Dev Fund: Killina & The Island €625.00		Mucklagh €590.00

Adoration in The Island Church Time Change: Please note, from Tuesday 21st of October the time for Adoration in The Island Church will change to 2.00pm - 3.00pm.

Please remember in your prayers Ollie Lowry, Castletown, who was involved in a serious accident recently. We pray that he will have a full and speedy recovery.

Thank You From Fr Johnny: I would like to express my sincere gratitude to everyone who turned out to wish me well on Monday night last. The Mass and liturgy was most uplifting and impressed everyone present. Fr Martin and the Organising Committee worked hard to put it all together. The celebration was a wonderful witness of Parish Unity. Those who baked and catered were rewarded by the massive numbers who returned to the school gym afterwards. Our visitors are still talking about the event. It was all a very humbling experience for me. Words of gratitude are insufficient to express my appreciation for your kindness & friendship. Thanks indeed to everyone who gave me cards and gifts. Let us continue to walk together in spirit and in prayer working in the Lord's Vineyard. Fr. Johnny.

October 22 - Feast day of St John Paul II. October 19th Mission Sunday.

Mucklagh Community Development: LOTTO: Tuesday 7th October numbers drawn 1-2-5-12. No Jackpot Winner No match three Winner. Next week's Jackpot €10,400. Next week's match three €450. Thanks to everyone for the continued support in our weekly lotto.

Saint Padre Pio's Glove: will be at the Ark Centre 23 Mitchell Terrace Athlone on Saturday 18th of October 2014 from 11.00am until 7.30pm. Blessings will take place all day with St Padre's Glove and a Mass of thanksgiving will take place at 8.00pm. All are most welcome. Further details from Paul Woods on 087 7828283

Rahan Comhaltas: Our Trad for Trocaire event takes place on Friday the 17th from 7:30 – 9 PM in Scoil Charthaigh Naofa, Newtown, Rahan. Everybody is welcome to attend, so lets raise the roof and raise some cash as well for those who are worse off than ourselves. Can anybody who has a blue Trocaire tee shirt please wear it on the night to help promote these events. Also Set dancing classes are running in the GAA rooms, Tullabeg each Thursday night from 9PM, for more details you can contact Mike on 086 3883156. You can always catch up with all our news and events www.rahancomhaltas.com.

Seanós Dancing Lessons: by Sharleen Mc'Caffery in the GAA rooms, Tullabeg, Rahan on Wednesday nights. Juniors from 7 – 8PM and Seniors from 8 – 9PM. Please contact 086 0886648 if interested. Start date is Wednesday 15th October.

Foroige: Mucklagh Foroige meeting from 7pm – 8pm in Mucklagh GAA on Monday 13th. Breda McGuire from Offaly/Westmeath Foroige will give a talk.

Mucklagh Schoolboys/girls Soccer: The club is appealing for players to join in the following age groups - U10 boys (born in 2004) contact Brendan 0879804357. U16 boys (born in 1999) contact Alan 0857883362. U10 girls (born in 2004), U12 girls (born in 2002) and U14 girls (born in 2000) Contact Marcus 0857371802.

Rahan Women's Group: Are hosting a Style Night, with clothes from Fashion Cabin, on Monday 13th Oct in Rahan Hall starting at 8.00pm sharp. All welcome.

The Irish Cancer Society's Care to Drive: service is currently seeking volunteer drivers to drive local patients to and from their hospital chemotherapy treatments in Dublin. We are looking for volunteers to pick a patient up at their home, drive them to the door of the hospital, then when they have finished treatment, to pick them up again and bring them home. The service is free to the patient and all drivers expenses are paid. Telephone the Irish Cancer Society on 01 2310 566 / 01 2316 642 or email transport@irishcancer.ie

The Carers Association: are holding a Fundraising Night in Hugh Lynch's, Tullamore on the 25th Oct. Doors open at 9pm. Featuring DJ Proud Mary, raffle and light refreshments on the night. Admission €5. Tickets available from The Carers Association, Market Square or contact 057 9322920 and also we have a Care Support training module starting in Tullamore October 15th. We also provide one day specific workshops. For further information please contact the above number or e mail training@carersireland.com

Offaly Domestic Violence Support Services: provide information, support and advocacy to women affected by Domestic Abuse. We offer one to one confidential support, information Line telephone support. Accompaniment to court and other services. We can meet you at our office in Tullamore, or at any of the following centres: Birr, Edenderry, Ferbane, Banagher, Shannonbridge and Clara. Contact 057 9351866, Monday to Friday 10am-4pm

Mission Sunday: 19th October: The theme "That You May Have Life" (John 10:10) has a particular resonance among Irish people in recent years. Many people have lost their jobs, their security for old age; they have experienced the pain of emigration, of separation and stress of all sorts. Many live with uncertainty and sadness, seeking a meaning to life. Mission month provides us with an opportunity to reach out here at home, in order to assure our neighbours that their pain has not gone unnoticed. Being missionary is bringing Christ to others, proclaiming in our behaviour the dignity, specialness and beauty of every human life, while allowing ourselves to be touched and guided in our daily lives by the values of the Gospel. Our daily choices bring either life to others and ourselves, or they result in darkness. The usual annual collection for the Missions will be held at all Masses on that weekend.

Pope Francis provided the prayer below for the Synod of Bishops on the Family

Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
in you we contemplate
the splendour of true love,
to you we turn with trust.
Holy Family of Nazareth,
grant that our families too
may be places of communion and prayer,
authentic schools of the Gospel
and small domestic Churches.
Holy Family of Nazareth,
may families never again

experience violence, rejection and division:
may all who have been hurt or scandalized
find ready comfort and healing.
Holy Family of Nazareth,
may the present Synod of Bishops
make us once more mindful
of the sacredness and inviolability of the family,
and its beauty in God's plan.
Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
graciously hear our prayer.