

RAHAN PARISH COMMUNITY

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

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2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (World Day of Migrants and Refugees) 15th January 2017

John has the integrity of life and the spiritual insight to know who Jesus is. The person of John the Baptist calls us to witness our faith by the integrity of our lives – saying what we think and doing what we say. A man is coming after me who ranks before me. John is not threatened by the emergence of Jesus. Instead, he recognises that Jesus is God and goodness personified: John invites us to rejoice in the goodness, gifts and talents of others. John saw the Holy Spirit of God in Jesus: can we discern and celebrate the presence of God's Holy Spirit in the goodness, kindness, prayerfulness of others? Jesus is sent by God to baptise with the Holy Spirit: can we resolve to live out our baptismal calling more fully by allowing the fruits of the Holy Spirit to flourish in our lives? Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, gentleness, trustfulness and self-control?

KILLINA

Sunday 15th 10.30am: Mass for Elizabeth & Martin Byrne, Derrycooley

Tuesday 17th 7.30pm: Mass for James Gibbons, Newtown

Wednesday 18th 9.00am: Mass in the Convent

Friday 20th 9.00am: -----

Sunday 22nd 10.30am: Mass for the Deceased members of Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann

THE ISLAND

Saturday 14th 6.00pm: Mass for Camillus Corcoran & deceased family members, Killina

Saturday 21st 6.00pm: Mass for Peter Hickey, Brockagh

MUCKLAGH CHURCH

Saturday 14th 7.30pm: Mass for Mary Rickard, Mucklagh

Sunday 15th 9.00am: Mass for Brendan Kilboy, Ballyduff, Clara Road

Sunday 15th 12noon: 1st Anniversary Mass for Michael Doyle, Roscore, Blueball & also for Ted Flynn Charleville Rd

Tuesday 17th 9.00am: -----

Wednesday 18th 7.30pm: -----

Thursday 19th 9.00am: -----

Friday 20th 7.30pm: 1st Anniversary Mass for Pat Joe Kelly, Mucklagh

Saturday 21st 7.30pm: Mass for Michael Carter, Charleville Road

Sunday 22nd 9.00am: -----

Sunday 22nd 12noon: Mass for Patrick & Elizabeth Kelly & their daughters Breda, Kitty, May Anne & Nora, Ballard

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 incl 6th Jan:	Killina €190.00	The Island €280.00	Mucklagh €1,198.00
Dev Fund:	Killina & The Island €505.00		Mucklagh €745.00

Our Parish Christian Community: Welcomes **Anna May Lucia Guinan**, Killina who was baptised in St. Carthage's Church, Killina on the 7th January and **Lovie Patrick O'Gorman**, Sydney, Australia who was baptised in St. Colman's Church, Mucklagh on the 7th January

Our Lady Queen of Peace Prayer Group: The monthly Mass and Devotions in honour of Our Lady Queen of Peace takes place on the first Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm in Killina Church. Many thanks for all the prayers and for the great attendance for the prayer group. Please keep the prayer of the rosary always close at hand. An invitation goes out to each and every person in this whole Parish Community of Rahan and surrounding parishes to come along and pray for our Parishes, our Country and the whole world. And, may Our Lady Queen of Peace intercede for us all.

Our Lady Queen of Peace Monthly Children's Mass: Please note that the Children's Mass will take place on the 26th January, the last Thursday of the month at 7.00pm in Killina Church

Sacrament of Marriage: It is advisable to give six months' notice of your intention to marry to both the Church and the Registrar. All couples getting married must attend a pre marriage course. Contact ACCORD, 9341831 or www.accord.ie Accord is also available for marriage and relationship counselling.

Forthcoming Collections: Those seeking permits for Church Gate collections please take note the following are Diocesan and Parish special collection days. Peter's Pence, Mission Sunday 21st & 22nd October & Vocations Sunday. **Parish Offering Days:** Sunday June 3rd & 4th, September 2nd & 3rd, November 4th & 5th, Christmas, Candlemas (4th & 5th Feb) and Easter Sunday 15th & 16th April. We request that organisations planning church gate collections do not seek Garda Permits on these days.

St. Colman's National School: Are now enrolling for the year 2017/2018 you can download your form from the school website OR alternatively you can collect a form from the school. All enrolments have to be entered by the end of January 2017. Contact 0579341244.

St. Colman's National School Parents Association: Are hosting their annual Table Quiz on the 27th of January 2017 at 8pm in Tullamore Golf Club, Table of 4 is €40.00. The purpose of this Table quiz is to raise funds which will allow us to contribute towards the development of ongoing projects in the school e.g the upgrading of our IT infrastructure for the use by the children. We are hoping that you are able to assist us to make this table quiz as successful as possible.

Mucklagh Community Lotto: draw 10/01/17 No's drawn 10 -24 -29-32. No jackpot winner and no match 3. Next week's Jackpot €12,000 and match three win/share €300 .Thanks for all the continued support.

Community Games: Thank you to everyone who took part or helped out at our 5k fundraiser Road Race through Mucklagh village on 27th December 2016. The event was a great success with 274 runners and walkers taking part. The first male runner home was Paul Buckley, while the first female was Ann-Marie McGlynn. The first male and female juvenile to finish the race was Thomas Coyle and Rachel Donegan respectively. Full results and times available on our facebook page. Thank you also to all our sponsors.

Blood Pressure Check: this Monday Evening with our Operation Transformation. **Note Time and Venue Change:** Private Weight-In and Blood pressure check from 6.30pm to 7.30pm. Keep Fit class at 7.00pm all in **Mucklagh School Gym**. Walk from School at 7.00pm to 7.30pm. Walk on Wednesday evenings, We meet at 8.00pm at Kelly's Roadhouse. Sunday mornings at 9.00am couch to 5k. We meet at Kelly's 9.00am. All welcome. For more information contact Mucklagh Community Centre 085 121 1216 or 086 836 4523.

Grinds: Need grinds for forthcoming exams? Affordable community based grinds in Mucklagh/Rahan area in Maths, Physics, Science with possibility for further subjects, from degree qualified tutors. These sessions start in the coming weeks based on demand. If interested, please contact Martin on 089-7002711

Mucklagh Active Retirement Group: Do you like a game of Cards, indoor bowls, gentle exercises or just like to sit and chat? Then come along to Mucklagh Community Centre on Tuesdays at 3.00pm. All welcome. Mucklagh Community Centre reopens on the 9th of January. We would like to wish all our customers a very Happy New Year.

Senior Help Line: Ireland's only national listening service for older people. We are here to take your call if you are on your own, feeling isolated, worried or would like someone to talk to. Christmas can be a sad time for many people, and in the midst of apparent universal gaiety, some of us can feel very alone. Senior Help Line volunteers are trained older people who understand the ups and downs of life, and are happy to listen, to keep company and to support. **So let us put companionship into our lives this year. LoCall 1850 440 444, no call costs more than 30 cents. All calls completely confidential.**

Shamrock's Notes: Lotto: The numbers drawn were 11-16-25-27. No Jackpot Winner. 2 x Match 3's=€100 each. Triona McDarby (Kelly's) & The O'Moore Grandkids co Anne Moore (L Manley). Jackpot €13,000 next week. Draw in Tullabeg.

Monster Bingo: The Monster Bingo is back on Sunday 22nd of January at 2.00pm in Mucklagh Community Centre. A double book for €25, a single book for €20 or a half book for €10. Anyone interested contact a committee member to purchase some.

Lotto Ticket: A Shamrock's yearly lotto ticket can now be purchased for €100. This also includes a year's membership for a non player.

Golden Jubilee: A great night was had at the Golden Jubilee of the U21 football team of 1966. Thank you to everyone who helped organise it and especially guest of honour Fr. Nicholas Calvin.

Dates for your Diary 2017:

Confirmation: For 6th Class pupils, Wednesday 1st March at 3.00pm in Killina Church

1st Holy Communion Killina: Saturday 6th May

1st Holy Communion Mucklagh: Saturday 13th May

Cemetery Sunday Mucklagh: Sunday 4th June at 6.00pm

Tullamore Show: Sunday 13th August 2017

National Ploughing Championships, Scraggan: Tuesday 19th, Wednesday 20th & Thursday 21st September 2017