

Rahan Parish

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH and THE ISLAND

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2nd Sunday of Advent 8th December 2019

‘Once again, we come to the Holiday Season, a deeply religious time that each of us observes, in his own way, by going to the mall of his choice.’ We might recognize ourselves in the above statement! We are so used to the commercial side of Christmas – the frenzy of ads and gift-buying, the extravagant decorations and parties – that it is easy to forget what we are really celebrating

KILLINA

Sunday 8th 10.30am:

Mass for Joseph & Mary Cantwell, Tully

Monday 9th 7.30pm: Mass for the Feast Day of the Immaculate Conception (Adoration before & after Mass)

Tuesday 10th 7.30pm:

Mass for Joe Smith, Tullabeg & remembering his brother in law Seamus Murphy, Portarlinton & Dublin

Friday 13th 7.30pm:

Sunday 15th 10.30am:

THE ISLAND

Saturday 7th 6.00pm:

Mass for the deceased members of the Daly family, Ballina Cross

Monday 9th 6.00pm:

Mass for the Feast Day of the Immaculate Conception

Saturday 14th 6.00pm:

Mass for Lil & Joe Daly, Ballina, Ballycumber & their daughter Kathleen Foyle And her husband John

MUCKLAGH:

Saturday 7th 7.30pm:

Mass for Bernie O’ Connor (nee Condron), Canada and her father Paudge & her sister Joan, Glaskill and also for John O’Donoghue, Lynally Grove

Sunday 8th 9.00am:

Mass for Bill & Ann Coonan, Beechmount Park

Sunday 8th 12noon:

Mass for Con Dunne, Roscore

Monday 9th 7.30pm:

Mass for the Feast Day of the Immaculate Conception

Tuesday 10th 9.00am:

Wednesday 11th 7.30pm:

Mass for Michael Betson, Healy Street

Thursday 12th 9.00am:

Friday 13th 7.30pm:

Mass for Margaret & Bernie Ward, their sons John, Paddy & Lawrence, their daughter in law Tracy & their granddaughter baby Ellen & also for Mick & Winnie Ward & Jack & Mary Ward

Saturday 14th 7.30pm: Mass for Paddy & Carmel Reynolds, Ballard & the deceased members of the Reynolds

And Derham families and also for Sean Healion & his parents Joe & Ellen Spollenstown
Mass for Joe Heavey, Ross

Sunday 15th 9.00am:

Sunday 15th 12noon:

Perpetual Adoration: of the Blessed Sacrament takes place:-

Killina Church - every Monday from 3pm to 10pm.

Mucklagh - every Thursday from 9.30am to 8.00pm.

Offertory/Plate:

Killina €160.00 **The Island** €125.00

Mucklagh €655.00

Development:

Killina & The Island €240.00

Mucklagh €355.00

Our Parish Christian Community: Welcomes **Ayla-Grace Carroll**, Kilcormac who was baptised in St. Carthage’s Church, Killina on the 30th November and **Lucie Rose Tarmey**, Roscommon and **Fiadh Elizabeth Neville**, Brocca Road, Mucklagh who were baptised in St. Colman’s church on the 30th November

Rosary: Every Monday night at 7.30pm in Cahill’s, Adam’s Villas. Cahill’s is the 4th house on the left. All are very welcome to attend

Rahan Parish Christmas Confessions: Confessions will take place before and after all weekend masses on the 14th and 15th December. Many thanks to one and all for the great support

Rahan Parish Christmas Carol Service: Our Christmas Carol Service this year will take place at 7.00pm on Sunday 8th December in The Island Church. Many thanks to one and all and to the choirs and to the local people of the Island area for their warm hospitality and huge preparations

Rahan Parish Christmas Draw: Our annual parish Christmas draw takes place on Sunday 15th December in Newtown School at 2.00pm. 2 draw cards have now been dropped into each house of the parish. Many thanks to all those who distributed the draw cards. The usual prizes of €500, €300, €200, €100, 5 turkeys, 5 hams, 5 bottles of brandy, 5 bottles of whiskey, 5 christmas cakes and lots of other donated prizes will be available. Many thanks to everybody for your huge support for the Parish of Rahan and good luck to one and all

Christmas Trees & Parish Preparations: A huge word of thanks to many people who are enhancing the 3 churches of the parish with the Christmas trees, cribs and decorations inside and outside the churches. The great efforts of one and all is deeply appreciated

Mucklagh Christmas Bazaar: Sunday 8th December 2pm to 5pm, All welcome for a fun afternoon of Face painting, tea & treats, Colouring competition, etc and a visit from Santa. **For Details:** on all of the above or if you wish to book Mucklagh Community Centre please contact us on 057 93 56886 or email adminmcc@mucklagh.ie. Keep up to date on our Facebook page Mucklagh Community Centre or our webpage

The Island Christmas Tree: Lights will be switched on **Saturday 7th December after the 6.00pm evening Mass**

Bake Sale: To raise funds for the benefit of the Irish Wheelchair Association a cake sale will take place on the weekend of December 15th at all 3 churches of the parish. Fr. Guinan and friends have committed to make a Camino and to raise at least €1,000.00 each for the benefit of the association. We need all our good cooks to go to work and do some baking. We will also need assistance with organising and covering all masses on that weekend. A meeting will take place on Monday 9th December at 8.15pm in the side chapel of Mucklagh Church

Mucklagh Community Development: Mucklagh Community Centre Lotto Results: Lotto Draw for Tuesday December 3rd. The numbers were ,7-14-18-27. No Jackpot winner. One match 3, Alberta Kennedy €150. Next Weeks Draw: **Jackpot is €12,000 match 3 is €150.** Lotto tickets only €2, they can be purchased from any of our lotto promoters, Daybreak, Kelly's, The fingerboard and Mucklagh Community Centre. Why not give a gift of Mucklagh community Lotto, 5 draws for €10, 10 draws for €20, 26 draws for €50 and 52 draws for €100. Thanks for your continued support. **Social Dancing:** Is on every Thursday night in Mucklagh Community Centre. 9pm to 11pm. Beginners welcome, no partners required. **Coffee Morning:** Why not join us for a cup of Tea and a chat on Tuesday mornings 9.45 in the centre. **Active Age:** meet every Tuesday 2pm to 4pm in Mucklagh community Centre. All Welcome. **Crochet:** Classes are up and running every Thursday 7pm to 9pm. €10 per class. If anyone is interested in running a knitting class can you contact us at the centre. **Toddler Group:** Toddler Morning is on Wednesday Mornings at 10am. Parents, grandparents and Childminders welcome. **Irish Grinds:** Irish Grinds for Junior Cert and Leaving cert, higher and lower is up and running on Tuesday evenings from 4.15 to 5.15 for Junior Cert & 5.15 to 6.30 for Leaving Certs. Contact Mucklagh Community centre for further details. **Music Lessons:** Majella Killeen teaches Tin whistle and keyboard. Keyboard provided. Cost for 6 weeks is €48. **Multi Skillz family:** for children, every Friday from 4.45 to 5.45. Contact Maria Lambe 086 358 2066. **Irish dancing:** for children every Friday 5.45pm to 6.45pm with Ricky Lawless. **Walking Soccer:** A great way to keep fit and have some fun takes place in Mucklagh Community Centre on Wednesday evenings, Men's from 7-8 and Women's from 8-9pm. **Sports for All:** takes place on Thursday evenings from 7-8. Contact Brendan for more details 087 980 4357. **For Details:** on all of the above or if you wish to book Mucklagh Community Centre please contact us on 057 93 56886 or email adminmcc@mucklagh.ie. Keep up to date on our Facebook page Mucklagh Community Centre or our webpage

Pollagh Heritage Group: would like to invite people to the launch of their book " The Story of Brickmaking in Pollagh, County Offaly" in Pollagh Community Centre on Sunday December 8th at 2pm. The book will be on sale on the day. Refreshments served.

Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: Led by Bishop Tom Deenihan, Bishop of Meath. Tuesday 13 – Thursday 22nd October 2020. €1,850.00 per person sharing. Single room supplement €650.00. For more information/bookings contact Niamh on 01 8085201

The Stoma Support Group: meeting will take place on Tuesday 10th December 6.30-8.30pm in the Dóchas Offaly Cancer Support Group Centre. Please contact Anne on 086 3074846. All are welcome

Call Service: Our Friendly Call Service is a FREE telephone support for older people in the community which can help reduce the isolation and loneliness experienced by some older people. If you know anyone who would benefit from this free, confidential service contact the centre on 05793-53177 for further information.

Shamrock's Notes: LOTTO: The numbers drawn were 11,21,27,30. One match 3 wins €200. Maureen Connaughton (R Molloy). Jackpot next week is €6800 and the draw is in Rahan Clubhouse on Monday 9th December

Results: Well done to the U15 footballers on winning the semi final against K/K in the division 3 league. They will take on Broughan's in the final. Date to be confirmed. Final score – Shamrock's 2-12 K/K 3-06

Fixtures: Good look to the U15 footballers on Sunday the 8th when they take on Broughan's in the division 3 league at 12pm in Cappincur. **Lotto Syndicate:** This week will see the launch of the Rahan community alert Euro millions Lotto syndicate with the support of Shamrock's GAA. The Syndicate gives ticket purchasers the opportunity to participate in two weekly Euro millions draws for an entire year for only €30. A great opportunity to participate in the syndicate and maybe purchase a handy Christmas present also. All support is greatly appreciated.

Dates for your Diary:

Sunday 8th December: Annual Rahan Parish Carol Service in the Island Church at 7.00pm.

Sunday 15th December: Annual Rahan Parish Christmas Draw in Scoil Charthaigh Naofa, Newtown at 2.00pm

Sunday 29th December: Annual Carol Service in Rahan Church of Ireland at 4.00pm. All very welcome