

RAHAN PARISH

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

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2nd Sunday of Advent 9th December 2018

Advent takes us out into the wilderness. The wilderness is untamed, hostile, frightening. Like the forces that oppose the church. *Lord, we can do nothing without you.* Yet, it was in the wilderness that John heard the word of God. We will cope with hostility and fear if we are accustomed to listening to the word of God. Into our desert and darkness, our failures and fears, come, Lord Jesus, come

KILLINA

Saturday 8th 10.30am:

Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sunday 9th 10.30am: Mass for Pat, Joseph & Mervyn Guinan & David Finnamore & the Guinan family, Ballincloghan

Tuesday 11th 7.30pm:

Mass for Joe Smith, Tullabeg

Wednesday 12th 9.00am:

Mass in the Convent

Friday 14th 9.00am:

Sunday 16th 10.30am:

Mass for Johnny & Molly Monaghan, Tullabeg

THE ISLAND

Saturday 8th 6.00pm:

Mass for the deceased members of the Kennedy family, Clonshanny

Saturday 15th 6.00pm:

Mass for P.J. Leonard, Ballincur

MUCKLAGH:

Saturday 8th 9.00am:

Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday 8th 12noon:

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Saturday 8th 7.30pm:

Mass Paddy & Carmel Reynolds, Ballard,

And the deceased members of the Derham & Reynolds families

Sunday 9th 9.00am:

1st Anniversary Mass for Sean Healion, Spollenstown, Tullamore

Sunday 9th 12noon:

Mass for John O' Donoghue, Lynally Grove, Mucklagh

Tuesday 11th 9.00am:

Wednesday 12th 7.30pm:

Mass for Natasha White, Adam's Villas

Thursday 13th 9.00am:

Friday 14th 7.30pm:

Mass for Jack Rigney, Screggan

Saturday 15th 7.30pm:

Rahan Parish Christmas Carol Singing Mass. All are very Welcome

Sunday 16th 9.00am:

Mass for Joe Heavey, Ross, Screggan

Sunday 16th 12noon:

Mass for Bill & Ann Coonan, Beechmount Park

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.

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| Offertory/Plate: | Killina €185.00 | The Island €165.00 | Mucklagh €716.00 |
| Dev Fund: | Killina & The Island €605.00 | | Mucklagh €380.00 |
| St. Catherine's Church of Ireland Collection: | Killina & The Island €665.00 | | Mucklagh €1,085.00 |

St. Catherine's Church of Ireland Tullamore: Many thanks for your very kind generosity and support for the Church of Ireland collection held last weekend.

In Memory: Please remember in your prayers the repose of the souls of **Harry Ryan**, Longford Town and Mullingar, Co. Westmeath (father of Fiona Murray, Mucklagh) who died on the 28th November. His funeral took place on the 2nd December in St. Mel's Cathedral, Longford followed by burial in Ballymacormack Cemetery, **Eithne Higgins (nee Grogan)**, Tubber, Moate, Co. Westmeath (sister of the late Paddy & Fr. Colm Grogan & aunt of Carthage & James Grogan, Cloonagh, Mary Cantwell, Kileranny who died on the 1st December. Her funeral took place on the 4th December in the Church of the Holy Family, Tubber followed by burial in Kilcurley Cemetery, Tubber and **Sr. Marie Therese O' Malley**, Kilcock, Kildare and Newport, Co. Mayo who died on the 3rd December. Her funeral took place on the 5th December in St. Patrick's Church, Newport followed by burial in Kilbride Cemetery, Newport. May they rest in peace

Sunday 16th December: The Annual Rahan Parish Christmas Draw will take place in Scoil Charthaigh Naofa Newtown at 2.00pm (Please note time change from 3.00pm to 2.00pm). Two tickets will be distributed to each house in the next few days and many thanks to all who help with the draw and thanks to those who are distributing the tickets to all areas of the parish. There will be the usual prizes of 500, 300, 200, 100, 5 turkeys, 5 hams, 5 bottles of whiskey, 5 bottles of brandy, 5 boxes of biscuits, 5 boxes of sweets and many other donated prizes are very welcome. Tickets can be returned to the parochial houses and many thanks to everybody for your great support

Christmas Confessions: Confessions will take place before and after all Masses on this weekend of the 8th & 9th December

Christmas Carols: The Christmas Carols will take place this year at the 7.30pm Mass on Saturday 15th December with choirs of the parish and members of Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann taking part. All are very welcome and many thanks to everyone for all the preparations.

Preparations for Christmas: A huge word of thanks to each and every person who help each year with the preparations in and outside the three churches. Thanks for the cribs, the trees and all the help with the decorations

Our Parish Christian Community: Welcomes **Dan Joe Keyes**, Brackagh, Blueball who was baptised in St. Colman's Church, Mucklagh on the 1st December, **Harry Jack McDonald**, Killina who was baptised in St. Carthage's Church, Killina on the 1st December and **Maximilian Peter McEvoy**, Brocca Road, Mucklagh who was baptised in St. Colman's Church, Mucklagh on the 2nd December

Priesthood in the Diocese of Meath: Christ will enlighten you. See dioceseofmeath.ie/vocations. Please think about a vocation to the priesthood and pray for vocations to the priesthood and the religious life

Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Holy Land 2019: Bishop Deenihan will lead the 2019 Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land from November 4th – 12th. Full details will be available shortly. Enquiries to MAP Travel at 01 8783111, patricia@maptravel.ie or Gerry MacCormack info@kingscourtparish.ie 042 9667314.

Booking Masses: Due to the large amount of people who are booking Masses for the Parish of Rahan it is a fact in the future, people may be asked to share a Mass in the three churches of the Parish. Due to the demand for Masses to be said for our deceased loved ones, we would like to facilitate all families who request a Mass. Also, we usually give priority for a 1st Anniversary Mass and a Month's Memory Mass to families who have had a recent bereavement. In these cases families who have booked a Mass for a particular day may be asked to share their Mass with another family. Many thanks to one and all for your great and wonderful support for the Parish of Rahan throughout all the years

Memories of Rahan: Copies of Aidan Grennan's book *Memories of Rahan* are available from Aidan on 087 3153434 or Martina on 087 6402138. Email is: aidangrennan1709@gmail.com. The cost is €12 per copy. It is hoped to have the book available in some shops, early next week.

Rahan Community Alert: Reminder: Now that we are back in the long dark evenings we remind people who have the monitor alarms to wear them at all times. Also, anyone who thinks they might be entitled to get one of these alarms please contact Ann on 087 9851819 for an application form and for more information

Clodagh Active Retirement: We have 8 heavy duty folding tables available for hire for any of your occasions which needs extra display area. Contact 087 9530377

St. Colman's National School: Enrolment for the school year 2018/2019 is now open in St. Colman's National School Mucklagh. Please collect an Enrolment Form from the office and return as soon as possible.

Mucklagh Community Development: Lotto: The numbers drawn were 12, 15, 21, 27. No Jackpot winner, one match 3, Angela Conroy c/o Paddy Tyrrell, €150. Thank You for your continued support.

Tuesday 9.30 to 11.00am: Coffee Morning 2.00pm to 4.00pm Active Age, **Wednesday** 4.30pm to 5.30pm RINKA kids fitness. Contact mucklaghcd@gmail.com for information and bookings.

Mucklagh Community Centre Christmas Fair: takes place on Sunday 9th December from 2-5pm in the Community Centre. There will be something for everyone Wheel of Fortune, Cake Sale, Bric a Brac and many other attractions. Santa Claus will of course be there plus face painting, colouring competition etc. So please come along & support. Cakes for the cake sale can be left in the Centre from 10.30am. The lighting of the Christmas Tree will take place at 5.00pm immediately after the Fair.

Flower Demonstration: by John Spain will take place on Tuesday 11th December at 7.30pm in the Community Centre. Admission €5 to include tea & treats. All are welcome to attend.

Shamrock's Notes: Lotto: The numbers drawn were 1,9,17,32. 2 match 3's win €200 each. Ann Keenan (M. Kenaney) and Kieran Larkin (E. Larkin). Jackpot is €12,600 next week and the draw is in Rahan Clubhouse.

Results: Junior Football League Final: Shamrock's vs Erin Rovers. Final Score – Shamrock's 4-06 Erin Rovers 2-06