

Rahan Parish

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH and THE ISLAND

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2nd Sunday of Christmas 5th January 2020

Christ came to share his divine life. Henceforth, we are all equal. In him, there is no more privilege or priority, only love and humility. Christmas has revolutionized the world, it forever challenges and critiques all the barriers and walls of separation! In the humble child of Bethlehem, God wants to show how he loves each of us and how worthy we all are to be loved. By taking the lowest place, Jesus opens for everyone a path of dignity and hope. God had to come to us, that we can learn how to be truly human

KILLINA

Sunday 5th 10.30am:

Mass for Violet Lowry, Newtown, Rahan

Monday 6th 7.30pm:

Feast Day of the Epiphany of the Lord

Tuesday 7th 7.30pm:

Mass in honour of Our Lady Queen of Peace of Medjugorje

Friday 10th 9.00am:

Sunday 12th 10.30am:

Mass for Elizabeth & Martin Byrne, Derrycooley

THE ISLAND

Saturday 4th 6.00pm:

Mass for Frank & Bernadette Feery, Bohernagrishna, Ballycumber

Sunday 5th 6.00pm:

Vigil Mass for the Feast Day of the Epiphany of the Lord

Saturday 11th 6.00pm:

Mass for Peter Hickey, Brockagh

MUCKLAGH:

Saturday 4th 7.30pm:

Mass for Peter & Mary Geraghty, Killurin

Sunday 5th 9.00am:

Sunday 5th 12noon:

Mass for Sean & Nora McIntyre & the deceased members of the Kelly family, Ballard

Sunday 5th 7.30pm:

Vigil Mass for the Feast Day of the Epiphany of the Lord

Monday 6th 9.00am:

Feast Day of the Epiphany of the Lord

Tuesday 7th 9.00am:

Wednesday 8th 7.30pm:

Thursday 9th 9.00am:

Friday 10th 7.30pm:

Mass for the Grogan family. Cloonagh

Saturday 11th 7.30pm:

Mass for P.J. Barron & his parents Paddy & Brigid, Charleville Forest

Sunday 12th 9.00am:

Sunday 12th 12noon:

Mass for Eileen & Paddy Bracken, Roscore, Blueball

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 22nd Dec:

Killina €125.00

The Island €140.00

Mucklagh €715.00

Development 22nd Dec:

Killina & The Island €590.00

Mucklagh €1,015.00

In Memory: Please remember in your prayers the repose of the souls of **Kathleen (Katie) Walsh (Nee O' Brien)**, Beechmount Park, Mucklagh who died on the 27th December. Her funeral took place on the 30th December in the Church of the Assumption, Tullamore followed by Cremation in Newlands Cross, Crematorium and **Ann Tobin (nee Maher)**, Tullamore & Cullohill, Co. Laois who died on the 28th December. Her funeral took place in the Church of the Assumption, Tullamore on the 31st January followed by burial in the New Cemetery, Mucklagh. May they rest in peace
Our Parish Christian Community: Welcomes **Oisín Francis Bermingham**, Derrycooley, Rahan and **Thomas William Feighery**, Blueball who were baptised in St. Carthage's Church, Killina on the 28th December and **Naoise Freya Burns**, Vancouver, Canada who was baptised in St. Colman's Church, Mucklagh on the 28th December

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.

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Church of Ireland Carol Service 29th December: A huge word of thanks to all who came along to the Church of Ireland in Rahan last Sunday for the annual carol service. Many thanks also to Deirdre Byrne and Grace Minnock for leading the music and singing. A great evening of carols took place and well done to one and all

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

Mucklagh Community Development: Presentation to Mucklagh Community Development: Members of Clodagh Valley Athletic Club which ran for over 20 years in Mucklagh have kindly donated €767 to Mucklagh Community Centre and to MRI Community Games. Mucklagh Community Development would like to thank them most sincerely for their generous donation.

Christmas Lotto Draw which took place on Monday 30th December . The numbers drawn were: 2, 16, 20 & 22. No Jackpot Winner. Match 3 Carmel Heeney. €150. C/O Fingerboard. **Christmas Draw Winners:** €500 Teresa Hefferan, €250, David Flanagan, Peter McMorris, Martin Conroy & Kathleen Cleary, Gin -Declan Doolan, Whiskey - Arlene Cronly, Vodkas - Sheila Kenny, Baileys - Ita O Kelly, Chocolates & Wine, Adam Walsh, Damien Mannion, P & J Hannon-Dunne, David Flanagan, P.J Martin, Michael Keaney. Thanks for all the support. Wishing you all a very Happy 2020

January; - Operation Transformation Mucklagh launch night is on 7th January at 7pm with cooking demonstration by Hey Pesto. This is an 8 week programme with weigh ins, weekly food plan and exercise. The Aim of Operation Transformation Mucklagh is to take an over all holistic approach not just our Physical health but our mental health as well. All ages welcome. €60 per person ,€100 per family, children free with paying adult. There will be weekly programmes and information evenings on mental health, exercise and nutrition for all ages. Contact us for more details

Coffee Morning . Why not join us for a cup of Tea and a chat on Tuesdays mornings 9.45 in the centre. Cost €1.

Mens Coffee morning commencing January 16th, a great way for men of all ages to meet for a chat.

Active Age will resume in January, every Tuesday 2pm to 4pm, All welcome.

Multi Skillz will resume on Friday January 10th 4.45 to 5.45. Contact Maria 086 358 2066.

Music classes for tin whistle and keyboard will resume in January, contact us for information

Crochet Classes will resume on 6th of February. €10 per class. If anyone is interested in running a knitting class can you contact us at the centre.

Knitting If anyone is interested in starting up a knitting class, contact us.

Toddler Group: Toddler morning every Wednesday 10am to 11.30am. €3 per family. Parents, grandparents and Childminders welcome.

Irish Grinds: Irish Grinds for Junior Cert and Leaving cert, higher and lower will resume on January 7th.

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 and will resume in January.

Sports for All takes place on Thursday evenings from 7-8 and will continue in January. Contact Brendan for more details 087 980 4357.

Shamrock's Notes: Lotto results: The numbers drawn were 12, 26, 31 & 32. No jackpot winner. One match 3 wins €200. Michael Kenaney Jnr (M. Kenaney). Jackpot next week is €7,400 and the draw is in Kelly's Wishing all Volunteers, Players, Supporters, Sponsors and their families a very Happy New Year. Thank you to everyone for their continued support throughout the 2019 and look forward to lots of success on the pitch in 2020.

Important Dates for 2020:

1st Confession Mucklagh: Wednesday 4th March at 6.00pm

1st Confession Killina: Thursday 19th March at 7.00pm

Confirmation: In Mucklagh Church on Thursday 12th March, 2020 at 11.00am

1st Communion Mucklagh: Saturday 2nd May, 2020 at 11.30am

1st Communion Killina: Saturday 9th May, 2020 at 11am

Parish Office Christmas Opening Hours: The Parish Office will resume as normal on Wednesday 8th January, 2020 from 12noon – 8.00pm. Thank You