

# RAHAN PARISH COMMUNITY

## KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

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2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent 21<sup>st</sup> February 2016

**Do we know Jesus?** To be known and recognised by another has a strong connection with feeling understood and accepted. To be known and recognised in love offers us an even deeper experience which can be life-giving affecting our sense and development of meaning and purpose. It is part of our human nature to negotiate this reality. People around Jesus, even those who know him quite well, often fail to understand who he is and what he is about.

### KILLINA

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> 10.30am:

Mass for John Cummins, Dernanaugh

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> 7.30pm:

Mass for a Private Intention

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> 9.00am:

Mass in the Convent.

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> 9.00am:

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Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> 10.30am:

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Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> 2.00pm:

**Mass with Senior Citizens in Killina Presentation Secondary School**

### THE ISLAND

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> 6.00pm:

Mass for Jimmy Kinahan & deceased family members, Kilpatrick

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> 6.00pm:

Mass for Stephen & Mary Malone & deceased family members, Ballybrumcullen

### MUCKLAGH CHURCH

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm:

Mass for Tom Lawless & his parents Molly & Tom, Clonminch & High Street

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> 9.00am:

Mass for Michael, Annie, Mary, Frank & Alo Condron, St. Colman's Terrace

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> 12noon:

Mass for Celine Molloy, Ballydownan, Geashill

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> 9.00am:

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Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm:

Mass for Bernard Carroll, Brocca Road

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> 9.00am:

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Friday 26<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm:

Month's Memory Mass for Pat Joe Kelly, Mucklagh

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm:

Mass for John Monaghan, 'Melrose', Screggan

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> 9.00am:

Mass for George, Mary & Paddy Walsh, Healy St. Tullamore

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> 12noon:

Mass for Patrick & Emily Lambe, their son Gussie & their daughters

Sr. Pacifique, Sr. Albert & Josie & her husband Pat, Glasshouse, Blueball

**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.

**Confessions:** Will be available before and after all Masses in the Parish next weekend for the Year of Mercy.

**Offertory/Plate:**

Killina €160.00

The Island €135.00

Mucklagh €711.00

**Dev Fund:**

Killina & The Island €195.00

Mucklagh €240.00

**In Memory:** Please remember in your prayers the repose of the souls of **Regina Mc Mahon**, Kilbeggan (sister of Fr. Ray Kelly) who died on the 11<sup>th</sup> February. Her funeral took place on the 13<sup>th</sup> February in Kilbeggan with burial afterwards in the Relic Cemetery, **Jim Plunkett**, Killeigh (brother of Mary Condron, Glaskill) who died on the 14<sup>th</sup> February. His funeral took place in Killeigh on the 16<sup>th</sup> February with burial afterwards in Castlebrack Cemetery and **John Brennan**, Clara (father of Nora Lavin) who died on the 15<sup>th</sup> February. His funeral took place in Clara on the 17<sup>th</sup> February in Clara with burial afterwards in the Monastery Cemetery, Clara. May they rest in peace.

**Our Parish Christian Community:** Welcomes **Conor Daniel Sheeran**, Ballina, Ballycumber who was baptised in The Island Church on the 14<sup>th</sup> February.

**St. Joseph's Y.P.S.:** The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February after the 7.30pm Mass in Killina. All are welcome.

**Stations of the Cross:** Will take place every Friday Evening during Lent at 7.10pm in Mucklagh Church.

**Hospital Chapel Tullamore:** Could you do 1 hour Adoration per week? If so please ring 085 1162668

**Rosary & Divine Mercy:** Every Monday night at 7.30pm in Cahill's house Adam's Villas. Everyone welcome.

**Lent and the Annual Trocaire Boxes:** are available at the doors of the three churches.

**Mucklagh Community Development: Lotto:** draw 16/02/16 numbers drawn 8-14-15-30. No Jackpot Winner No Match three winners. Next week's jackpot €12,000 and match three win/share €300. Thanks to everyone for the continued support.

**Dochas Offaly Cancer Support Group:** Offaly St, Drop In Centre. Mon-Thur 10am-2pm. Phone Support 9328268.

**Rahan Community Alert:** A reminder again to everyone to remain vigilant at all times and be on the alert for anything suspicious, thankfully our area is having a quite time but that doesn't mean we should lower our guard. Remember too, in all cases first priority is to ring the guards on 9327600 also don't forget to keep an eye out for elderly neighbours. Personal Security alarms and 'bottles for fridge can be had from Ann at 087 985 1829. Thanks again for your cooperation.

**First Responders:** A first responder calling within a few minutes can save someone's life by giving CPR and using a defibrillator. With this in mind we are hoping to set up a first responders group in the Rahan area. We have been donated a Defibrillator by The Mark Heffernan Trust which will be located outside the gym in Tullabeg. We already have 18 people qualified to use it. Those qualified are mostly from Rahan area. We want people from other areas too. Roscore, Derrycooley, Tully, Cornalaur, Agall, Killina, Glaskill and all areas in between. So we're organising more training. Send a text or phone John on 0876639115 to take part. It could be you or someone close to you suffering that cardiac event. HELP SAVE A LIFE visit our Facebook page Rahan First Responders

**Rahan Comhaltas News:** We do not have a lot of news in Rahan Comhaltas this week. Instead a little historical exercise took place compliments of Michael Lynam of Rahan Comhaltas who undertook to do a little project work and try and compile an outline of the first members of Rahan Comhaltas which was founded in 1952. This work was compiled from his memory and old photographs and every effort was made to include everyone but due to the fact it was over sixty years ago some people may have been left out but not forgotten. We will correct this in time. The first committee of Rahan Comhaltas included Joe Minnock from Cappaloughan, Joe Cusack of Tully and Jimmy Minnock of The Island. The first music Teachers at Rahan Comhaltas were the great Dan Cleary, Mick Boland and Sean Grennan. They thought music to the first students of Rahan Comhaltas which included the following: Joe O'Brien, Mick Lynam, Liam Rigney, Dave Waters, Danny Feighery, Nancy Monaghan, Marie Grennan, Sean Monaghan, Carthage Kidney, Eric Mitchell, Jackie Thomas, Pat Cunningham, Tom Nolan. There were also other musicians in the Rahan area at that time who had influence on the Music but who were not members of Rahan Comhaltas and they were: Billy Healion, Jack Scott, Molly Carroll, Mir Finnerty, Brendan Grennan and Jack Foran. Rahan Comhaltas started in 1952 and was also the catalyst for the creation of the Ballinamere Céilí Band during the 1950s which consisted of the following musicians: Dan Cleary (Fiddle), Joe Weir (Fiddle), Mick Mullins (Accordian) Mick Boland, Sean Grennan, Des Coughlan (Banjo), P.J. Pender (Drums), Leon Ronson (Piano), Peter Kilroe (Flute and Saxophone) and Joe Hennessey (vocals). This simple historical exercise was done to document the starting point of Rahan Comhaltas for the purposes of compiling a more detailed historical documentation of that time. We would appreciate any feedback or details which might be used to either correct any errors or add detail to the outline above. It is hoped over time to develop a better historical picture of our organisation and you can help. If you have any information which could assist please contact us at [rahancomhaltaspressoffice@gmail.com](mailto:rahancomhaltaspressoffice@gmail.com) or any committee member and we would only be too delighted to hear from you. We would particularly like to hear from any of the older members of Rahan Comhaltas who could assist.

**'Buy a Brick' for Mucklagh Community Centre:** Anyone who wishes to buy a brick for Mucklagh Community Centre may do so by calling to the centre from Monday to Friday from 9.30am to 12.30pm. Also you can e-mail [mucklaghd@gmail.com](mailto:mucklaghd@gmail.com), or by phone 086 836 4523, 087 635 5409 or 086 944 8623. Thank you for your continued support.

**Mucklagh School Boys & Girls Soccer:** will hold their Annual Churchgate Collection at all Masses on the weekend of 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> February. All contributions will be greatly appreciated.

**Shamrocks Notes: Lotto:** 12, 18, 19, 26. No Jackpot winner & two match 3's. Tony McLoughlin (S Kearney) & Francis Griffith (J Kearney). Next week jackpot is €8,400 in Kelly's Roadhouse.

**Senior Citizens Party:** The Shamrock's Senior Citizens Party is on again this year on February 28<sup>th</sup>. It will be held in Killina School starting with Mass at 2.00pm and a meal will follow. It is always a great day and this year promises to be no different. If you have not received an invite and would like to attend you are more than welcome. If you want further details contact a member of the committee.

**Dates to keep in mind for 2016:**

**The Celebration of 1<sup>st</sup> Penance for First Communion Children:** will take place in Mucklagh Church on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March at 8.00pm and Killina Church on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00pm.

**First Holy Communion:** in Mucklagh Church on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May and in Killina Church on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May.

**The Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation:** will take place in Mucklagh Church on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May at 1.00pm.

**Cemetery Devotions: Mucklagh:** Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 6.00pm and **Rahan Cemetery:** Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August at 7.00pm

**Tullamore Show:** Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August

**National Ploughing Championship: Screggan** – Tuesday- Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> September