

RAHAN PARISH COMMUNITY

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

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3rd Sunday of Easter 30th April 2017

In the Breaking of Bread, the two disciples were able to name the stranger who had walked with them as the Risen Lord. The allusion to the Mass is pretty obvious. When we gather as a group of disciples we too turn to the Scriptures, to make sense of our experience and broaden the horizons of our understanding. We may, like the Emmaus disciples, be 'astounded' by the claims of our faith that, in Jesus, we have God's pledge of eternal life.

KILLINA

Sunday 30th 10.30am: Mass for Theresa Gaye, Killeranny
Tuesday 2nd 7.30pm: Monthly Parish Community Devotions & Mass in honour of Our Lady Queen of Peace
Wednesday 3rd 9.00am: Mass in the Convent
Friday 5th 7.30pm: Mass for all those on the List of the Dead
Sunday 7th 10.30am: -----

THE ISLAND

Saturday 29th 6.00pm: Mass for James & Annie Boland, Deerpark & deceased family members
Friday 5th 6.30pm: Mass for all those on the List of the Dead
Saturday 6th 6.00pm: Mass for John & Agnes Sammon, Clonshanny

MUCKLAGH

Saturday 29th 7.30pm: Mass for Thomas & Elizabeth Mooney, Lynally
Sunday 30th 9.00am: Mass for The Mollin Family, Agall
Sunday 30th 12noon: Mass for Joe, Margaret & Karl McGee, Dublin
Tuesday 2nd 9.00am: -----
Wednesday 3rd 7.30pm: Mass for John, Mary, Joseph & Jean Mullooly, Roscommon
Thursday 4th 9.00am: -----
Friday 5th 7.30pm: Mass for all those on the List of the Dead & for Norah Mc Donald, Screggan
Saturday 6th 7.30pm: Mass for Peter & Betty Owens, Beechmount Park
Sunday 7th 9.00am: Mass for Kathleen White Screggan
Sunday 7th 12noon: Mass for Michael Walsh, Screggan
Sunday 7th 3.00pm: Annual Mass for the Pioneer Association

Vocation Sunday 6th/7th May: A collection will take place at all Masses over the weekend for Vocations. Many thanks for your great generosity

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:	Killina €230.00	The Island €105.00	Mucklagh €730.00
Dev Fund:	Killina & The Island €345.00		Mucklagh €345.00
Divine Mercy (Lourdes Fund):	Mucklagh €670.00		
Trocaire to date:	Killina & The Island €2,003.00		Mucklagh €3,014.00

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration: in Mucklagh Church every Thursday. Adorers urgently needed for the hours 11.00am-12noon and 2.00p.m-3.00p.m or any hour. For more information please contact 057 9351923 or 057 9351367

In Memory: Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of **Ann White (nee Grimes)**, Pearse Park, Tullamore (mother of Audrey Rogers, Mucklagh) who died on the 24th April. Her funeral took place in Tullamore on the 26th April with burial afterwards in Clonminch Cemetery and **Tom Hogan**, The Green, Clara (father of Fr. John Hogan, Clara and P.P. Multyfarnham) who died on the 19th April. His funeral took place in Clara on the 24th April with burial afterwards in the Monastery Cemetery, Clara May they rest in peace

Our Parish Christian Community: Welcomes **Finn Michael Martin**, Charleville Road who was baptised in St. Colman's Church on the 22nd April and **Calvin John Joe Delaney**, Derrycooley, who was baptised in St. Charthage's Church on the 22nd April

Wedding Bells: Congratulations to **Darren Buckley**, Newtown, Rahan and **Tara Fourie**, Killiskea, Tullamore who were married in St. Carthage's Church, Killina on the 20th April. We wish them many happy years together

Pilgrimage to Fatima: Centenary year pilgrimage to Fatima on October 16th for 4 nights with Marian Pilgrimages. Cost €550.00. For more information please contact Fr. Frank Guinan

Life in the Spirit Seminar: Day Chapel of the Church of the Assumption, Tullamore. Every Wednesday at 7.45pm sharp from 19th April – 31st May. Inspirational speakers each week

Eucharistic Ministers on Duty in The Island for May: 6th May: K. Looby, 13th May: A. Minnock, 20th May: G. Minnock & 27th May: M. Minnock

Lough Derg 2017: Season opens for One Day Retreats on Monday 1st May. Retreats continue on May 6, 7, 9, 13, 14, 16, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28 & 29. Advance booking is essential. Tel. 071 9861518 (from NI 0035371 9861518) or email info@loughderg.org. The Three Day Pilgrimage season begins on Thursday 1st June, pre-booking not required. You are invited to walk in the spiritual footsteps of your ancestors and be part of the unbroken link of Lough Derg as a place of continuous prayer for over 50 generations (1,500 years).

Rahan I.C.A Tour: Will be on Saturday 27th May, 2017. We will be going to Altamont Gardens and Chocolate Factory in Co. Carlow. The cost is €69 per person including Tea, Scones & a Three Course Meal. Men welcome. Enquiries to Aine on 086 0875490 or Alberta on 087 6565404

Coffee Morning/Day at Coleman's: 12 Tegan Court, Mucklagh, from 10am to 6pm on Sat 13 May. This is a fundraiser for Voluntary Services Abroad, a Charity run by medical students from NUI., Galway. This summer Sorcha Coleman will be working as a volunteer in Chikankata Mission Hospital, Zambia. Sorcha has covered all her own travelling and living expenses but must raise a personal target to fund hospital supplies and equipment. Your support would be greatly appreciated

Mucklagh Community Development: Lotto: draw 25/04/17 numbers drawn 3, 6, 10, 21. No jackpot winner. Four match 3 winners, Ellen Sheridan, Susan Bryans c/o Kellys Roadhouse, Arlene and Loyolla Cronly c/o Margaret Dunne, and Gen Finlay c/o J.O.Grady. Each Win €40. Next week's Jackpot €12,000 and next week match three win/share €150. Thanks for all the continued support.

St. Carthage's Boxing Club: Congratulations to St. Carthage's Boxing Club and Nathan Taylor who won the All Ireland Win in the 72kg category last weekend.

Concert: Charleville Castle, Sunday, 7th May at 4.00pm. Tullamore Gramophone Society presents Con Tempo Quartet. Tickets €15 available from Trax, Bridge Centre, 057 932990, from members of the Society or at door. Students €12, Under 12's €5.

National Ploughing Championships: Please make contact soon if any local musician/dancers/choirs/groups are interested in showcasing their talent in September. Also, people with vintage machinery or local crafts to display. Please contact NPA on 059 8625125 or Trina Connolly on 086 8949416

Reminder: A reminder from Rahan Drama Group to say we still have copies of the double DVD of our recent play, 'It's The Real McCoy'. Aidan Grennan is the contact on 087 3153434.

Rahan Community Alert: Another Bank holiday weekend is here so be alert to any strange happenings in your area and watch out for elderly neighbours. Report anything suspicious to Gardai on 057 93 27600. Litter is a huge problem on our roads so think before you throw litter from the car, take it home and help to keep our parish clean for ourselves and visitors. Thanks.

Foróige: is the leading youth organisation in Ireland and has been working with young people since 1952. The purpose of Foroige is to enable young people to involve themselves consciously and actively in their development and in the development of society. We are looking to start Foroige again in Mucklagh in coming Months. There will be an information evening for parents in Mucklagh Community centre in coming weeks

Community Games: Congratulations to Aoibhinn McDonagh who recently came first in the County Handwriting competition and now goes forward to represent Offaly in the National Finals in May. Well done also to Maedbh McDonagh and Shauna Murphy who were runners up in their respective u-10 and u-12 Handwriting competitions. Congratulation also to Caitlin Minnock who recently won the county gymnastics u-15 final and Grace Minnock for u-16 Music. Best of luck to Emily Cunningham in the mixed distance u-12 athletics in the national finals in Abbottstown next weekend and also to the u-15 soccer girls in their attempt to win another Leinster Final. Check out our Facebook page for latest updates.

Anam Cara: The national organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Bereavement Information Evening on Wednesday 10th May from 7.30pm to 9.30pm in the Mullingar Park Hotel, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath.

Shamrock's Notes: Lotto: The numbers drawn were 2-13-15-18. No Jackpot or match 3 winners. Jackpot €13,000 next week & €600 win/share for match 3's. Draw in Kelly's.

Results: On Saturday morning the Under 14 hurlers played Shinrone in the Feile Semi Final. final score Shinrone 2 077 Shamrock's 0 02 Sunday afternoon the Senior Footballers had their second Championship match against Ballycumber. Final score Shamrock's 1-18 Ballycumber 4-08

Fixtures: Sunday 30th April, Senior Hurling Championship, Shamrock's vs K/K in O' Connor Park at 1.30pm. Monday 1st May, U16 B Football Championship, Shamrock's vs Gracefield in Gracefield at 7.00pm. Tuesday 2nd Junior A Hurling Championship, Shamrock's vs Belmont in Rahan at 7.15pm. Friday 5th U16 B Hurling Championship Shamrock's vs Seir Kieran's in Rath at 7.00pm

Rahan Hall Committee: Wish to thank everyone who helped make our card game a great success. To our guys who parked cars, FAS workers, Breda & Liam Mooney for all their expert knowledge and advice, Joe Minnock and Simon Boland, for checking and counting the games, the better health club for use of gym and everyone who donated spot prizes and supported us in any way. There was a total of 29 tables. 1st prize €700 M. Fox & J. Ward, 2nd Prize €400 A. Flaherty & T. Corroon & 3rd Prize €280, J. & F. Brogan, T. & S. Leonard, Angela & Tom, P. Clancy & A. Kelly. Overall Prize money was €1,500. Proceeds of €1316.55 out of which €1,000.00 was donated to Parish Funds. Fr. Martin would like to thank all involved