

RAHAN PARISH COMMUNITY

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

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3rd Sunday of Lent 19th March 2017

No one is perfect. This might seem like the most obvious statement in the world, but it's important to remember. We live in a time when people's thoughts and actions are more widely recorded and open to scrutiny than ever before. A small mistake can cost someone their reputation or livelihood. An opinion expressed, particularly online, can invite a world of insults. It appears to be easier than ever to take the moral high ground, and to dismiss a person entirely based on one thing we know about them. This is not the way Jesus treated people, and it is not how he sees us.

KILLINA

Sunday 19th 10.30am: Mass for Margaret & James Mc Dermott & their son Patrick, Dernanaugh
Tuesday 21st 7.30pm: -----
Wednesday 22nd 9.00am: Mass in the Convent
Thursday 23rd 6.30pm: **1st Confessions for the 2nd Class Pupils of Scoil Charthaigh Naofa, Newtown**
Friday 24th 9.00am: -----
Sunday 26th 10.30am: Mass for James & Mary Kate Lynam, Ballincloghan & Myrna Mc Dermott, New York

THE ISLAND

Saturday 18th 6.00pm: -----
Saturday 25th 6.00pm: Mass for Michael & Bridget Larkin & deceased members of the Gray Family, Kilpatrick

MUCKLAGH

Saturday 18th 7.30pm: Mass for Frances O' Donoghue, Glaschoill
Sunday 19th 9.00am: Mass for Joseph & Mary Egan, Mucklagh & deceased members of Egan & Gallagher Families
Sunday 19th 12noon: Mass for Rosemary Fletcher, Glaskill
Sunday 19th 3.00pm: Month's Memory Mass for John Egan, St. Colman's Terrace
Tuesday 21st 9.00am: -----
Wednesday 22nd 7.30pm: -----
Thursday 23rd 9.00am: -----
Friday 24th 7.30pm: Mass of Remembrance for Victims of Depression & Tragedy
Saturday 25th 7.30pm: Mass for Lily Martin & her daughter Betty Martin Cullen, Dillon Street
Sunday 26th 9.00am: Mass for the Condon Family, St. Colman's Terrace
Sunday 26th 12noon: Mass for Michael & Kathleen O' Hanlon, The Fingerboard & their parents & deceased family members

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.

Holy Hour/Adoration: Mucklagh Church on Monday evening 7.30pm-8.30pm (1st Monday of the Month)

Offertory/Plate: Killina €150.00	The Island €216.00	Mucklagh €710.00
Dev Fund: Killina & The Island €210.00		Mucklagh €310.00

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration: in Mucklagh Church every Thursday. Adorers urgently needed for the hours 11.00am-12noon and 4.00p.m-5.00p.m or any hour. For more information please contact 057 9351923 or 057 9351367

Our Parish Christian Community: Welcomes Medbh Ann Cummins, 'Claragh', Screggan, who was baptised in St. Colman's Church on the 11th March

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

Chrism Mass: The Blessing of the Holy Oils will take place in the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar on Wednesday 12th April at 7.00pm. All are very welcome, especially those involved in ministry. **(The Mass in Mucklagh will take place at 9.00am in the morning on this day and please note there will be no evening Mass)**

Trocaire Boxes: Boxes are available now at the church doors

Churchgate Collection: The O.S. P. C. A. will hold their collection at all Masses in Mucklagh and Killina this weekend 18th & 19th March

Mass of Remembrance: A Mass of Remembrance for victims of Depression and Tragedy will take place in Mucklagh Church on Friday 24th March at 7.30pm. All are very welcome to come along

Silver Jubilee Celebrations for Fr. Martin Carley: A meeting will take place in Killina Church at 8.00pm on Wednesday 22nd March. All are very welcome

Rahan Social Services: Chiropodist will be in Rahan Hall on Friday 24th March from 10.30am-12.30pm and from 1.00pm onwards. All toes welcome

Rahan Drama Group: This weekend, 17th, 18th & 19th March, Rahan Drama Group present their production of It's the Real Mc Coy, written by Tommy Marren. Tickets are available by calling 086 0886648. A huge word of thanks to each and every member of the Drama Group for their great and wonderful efforts in providing three great evenings of entertainment for the whole community. Many thanks to all

Mucklagh Community Centre Art Classes: Aileen Kavanagh will commence Art Classes in Mucklagh Community Centre. Please contact Aileen on 087 6370171.

Mucklagh Community Centre Social Dancing: Gerry Tynan from Ballinasloe will run a two hour Social Dancing class on Sunday evenings from 3.30pm until 5.30pm in Mucklagh Community Centre. Classes will begin Sunday 26th March and cost €10 for the two hours. If you are interested please contact Mucklagh Community Centre to book your place 05793 56886.

Mucklagh Active Age Group: We meet every Tuesday from 3.00p.m to 5.00p.m in Mucklagh Community Centre. Everybody Welcome.

Mucklagh Community Development: Lotto: draw 14/03/17 numbers drawn 1,13 ,19 ,26. No jackpot winner, no match 3 winners, Next week's Jackpot €12,000 and next week match three win/share €300. Thanks for all the continued support.

Coffee Morning in Mucklagh Community Centre: Every Tuesday Morning after 9AM Mass, €1 for Tea/Coffee. All Welcome.

Annual Card Game: in Rahan Hall on Good Friday night at 9.30pm. Great prizes and raffle on the night. If anyone wants tickets contact: Mossy 0876470533, Liam 0879286701, Brendan 0868174851 or Marie 080879668172. Please support.

Killickfehan Graveyard: Cemetery Devotions 2017 is on Saturday 19th of August at 7.00pm. (No 6.00pm Mass in the Island on that evening.) Clean-up in the graveyard will be on the last Friday of every month at 7.00pm starting on April 28th. The committee would welcome friends and relatives of loved ones in the old cemetery to come along and help out.

Mucklagh Community Development: Caretaker CE Scheme: We are currently advertising for the following vacancy on our Community Employment Scheme. Caretaker Mucklagh Community Centre job ref number: 2029720, If you are interested in applying for this position please contact your local Employment Services, quoting the job reference number. Employment Services Office is located in the Department of Social Protection, Tara Buildings, Castle Street Tullamore. You can contact the scheme supervisor on 05791-35512 for further information.

Community Games: Well done to all the swimmers who participated in the county finals in Birr last weekend. Congratulations to the following who have qualified to represent Offaly in the national finals in May: Tom O'Rourke, Conor Kinnarney, Roisin Byrne, Evan Larkin, Adam Larkin, Darragh Rusk and Hannah Corbie. Congratulations also to Abigail Dolan and John Hickey who came third in their respective art competitions at county level. Best of luck to the handwriting participants and the table quiz team in the county final in Gallen Community School, Ferbane next week. Please check out our facebook page for updates.

Rahan Comhaltas News: Happy Saint Patrick's Day to all our friends and relatives. We hope you all had a good holiday and enjoy the rest of the weekend. We will have performed at a few venues over the weekend and hopefully have brought a smile to many people's lives. Last week we did a whistle stop tour of two schools in Tullamore, St. Josephs and St. Philomena's. Thanks to Deirdre and Siobhan for doing St. Joseph's and Deirdre, John, Shauna and Aoife who did St. Philomena's. We played some simple tunes and provided some examples of Seanos dancing and a bit of singing. It's great to see the kids respond to music and if we did not know the National Anthem before the visit we do now as it was sung in each class. Our music classes are coming to an end in three weeks time as our third semester of music lessons will be complete. Preparation for the Offaly Fleadh in Tubber is now under way and practice is in full flight for the competitions. The evenings are getting longer and the music is getting better around Rahan. We are looking forward to the long run in to the Fleadh and our Summer Sessiún.

Business and Professional Women's Club Open Meeting: Speaker: Brenda Kiernan President Tullamore Show. Wednesday 22nd March at 8.00pm in The Bridge House. All Welcome. Admission €5.

Migraine Association of Ireland: is delighted to announce a Free Public Information Seminar which will take place in Laois on Thursday, March 30th. The Seminar will take place in the Maldron Hotel, Portlaoise from 7.00pm -9.00pm.

Shamrock's Notes: Lotto Numbers: The numbers drawn were 12,16,25,30. One match three. Jack Cummins (J Kearney) winning €400. Jackpot next week €13,000 and the draw is in Kelly's Mucklagh.

Kevin Dundon Cookery Demonstration: With Mother's Day just around the corner and you are wondering what to get her why not get a ticket to see Kevin Dundon cook up a storm on March 28th in the Court Hotel. Tickets may be purchased from the Court Hotel, Kelly's Shop, Flynn's Shop and can also pm on facebook. It plans on being a great night with lots of new delicious recipes being cooked so please come along and support Shamrock's.

Results: The Senior Football team went out on Saturday afternoon to play their second League match against the County Champions Rhode. Overall the lads played very well and showed no fear against the County Champions. Final score Shamrock's 0-10 Rhode 1-14. The Junior Football team went out on Sunday morning to play their second League match against Tubber. It was a great match to watch and the lads showed great work rate but both Senior and Junior teams need to work more on their shooting

skills in order to win a Championship. Final score Shamrock's 1-08 Tubber 1-08.