

# RAHAN PARISH COMMUNITY

## KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

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4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 31<sup>st</sup> January 2016

Today we celebrate the beginning of Catholic Schools Week. Our Catholic schools are such special places, for Jesus Christ is at the centre of all we do. He's there in our classrooms not just when we pray but when we play too. He's there in our Religion lessons, but also in Maths as we share our pens and pencils. Jesus is there on the yard when we invite others to play our games and when we care for those who fall. Our Catholic schools are places where we, following in the footsteps of St. Therese of Lisieux, do ordinary things with extraordinary love.

### KILLINA

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> 10.30am:

Mass for Jimmy McLoughlin, Murrough.

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> 7.30pm:

Mass for Joe & Margaret Keyes & their daughter Anne Kelly, Killina.

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> 9.00am:

Mass in the Convent.

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm:

**Mass for all those on the List of the Dead.**

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> 10.30am:

Mass for Joe Corcoran & Katie Corcoran, Aghadonagh, Rahan & 'Do this in Memory' Mass for the pupils of St. Carthage's National School.

### THE ISLAND

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> 6.00pm:

Mass for Patrick & Mary Daly, Ballybrumcullen.

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> 6.30pm:

**Mass for all those on the List of the Dead.**

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> 6.00pm:

Month's Memory Mass for Marion Cantwell, Aghadonagh.

### MUCKLAGH CHURCH

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm:

1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Mass for Jack Galvin, Cloonagh.

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> 9.00am:

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Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> 12noon:

1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Mass for Margaret Dunne, Roscore & remembering her husband Tommie.

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> 9.00am:

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Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> 7.30pm:

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Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> 9.00am:

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**Ceremony of Light for the 6<sup>th</sup> Class Children of St. Colman's National School.**

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm:

**Mass for all those on the List of the Dead** and Peter McDonald, St. O' Hara's.

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm:

Mass for Michael Carter, Charleville Road.

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> 9.00am:

Mass for Ivan Conroy, Beechmount Park.

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> 12noon:

Mass for John Gonoude, Mucklagh &

'Do this in Memory' Mass for the pupils of St. Colman's National School.

**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.

<b>Offertory/Plate:</b>	Killina €300.00	The Island €215.00	Mucklagh €770.00
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<b>Dev Fund:</b>	Killina & The Island €610.00		Mucklagh €430.00
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**In Memory:** Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of **Patrick J. Kelly**, (husband of Jo) Roadhouse, Mucklagh who died on the 23<sup>rd</sup> January. His funeral took place on the 25<sup>th</sup> January in St. Colman's Church with burial afterwards in the adjoining New Cemetery, **John Mooney**, (ex Garda, Rahan and last surviving member of the 1948 Junior Hurling Team) Navan Road, Dublin who died on the 22<sup>nd</sup> January and his funeral took place in Navan Road, Dublin on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January with burial afterwards in Mainham Cemetery, Clane, Co. Kildare and **Mark Lafferty**, late of Aylesbury and London, United Kingdom (son of Martin Lafferty, Tegan Court) who died on the 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 2015 and who's funeral took place in London. May they rest in peace.

**Our Parish Christian Community:** Welcomes **Sophie Ann Healion** Spollenstown, Tullamore who was baptised in St. Colman's Church on the 23<sup>rd</sup> January.

**Eucharistic Ministers on Duty in The Island for February:** 6<sup>th</sup> Feb: M. Minnock, 13<sup>th</sup> Feb: K. Looby, 20<sup>th</sup> Feb: A. Minnock and 27<sup>th</sup> Feb: G. Minnock.

**Candlemas/February Offerings:** Will be taken up next weekend and for the next few weekends. Please use the special envelope in your box for this. If you use another envelope please write your name and address on it so it can be recorded to your envelope number. As always thanking you for your support and generosity.

**Life in the Spirit Seminars:** taking place at St. Brigid's Parish Centre, Clara. Commencing Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> January at 8.00p.m., and continuing for seven weeks. Guest speaker each week. Come and be renewed in your faith".

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Rome: August 19<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>:** The diocesan Pilgrimage to Rome will take place from the 19<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> August 2016. Reservations to: - Mullingar Travel, Austin Friar Street, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath. Tel 044 9340587 or email [connie.galligan@mullingartravel.ie](mailto:connie.galligan@mullingartravel.ie)

**World Youth Day Krakow, Poland 2016:** WYD is a gathering of young Catholics from around the world with Pope Francis. It is for young people (18-35) who wish to deepen, share and celebrate their faith. From **18th July to 2nd August** the youth of the Diocese of Meath will be participating in this amazing event. Please find information and booking forms available @ [www.dioceseofmeath.ie/youth](http://www.dioceseofmeath.ie/youth)

**Marie Keating Mobile Unit:** will be in Market Square Birr, outside Dochas Offaly Cancer Support Outreach Centre on 9 February from 11 am to 3pm. This is a free cancer community information service for both men and women. No appointment is necessary. There will be a nurse in attendance to give information and advice. The unit will be in Tullamore on Thursday 11 February from 11am to 3pm, in Offaly Street, outside Dochas Offaly Cancer Support Centre.

**Mucklagh Community Development: Lotto:** draw 26/01/16 - numbers drawn 9-21-22-24. No Jackpot Winner. One match three winner Anna Maher wins €150. Next week's jackpot €12,000 and match three win/share €150. Thanks for the continued support.

**'Progressive 25':** Card Game on Good Friday Night, 25<sup>th</sup> March in Rahan Hall at 9.30pm SHARP. €1,000 in prizes. Raffle on the night. Tickets cost €10.

**St. Colmans National School:** Anyone who wishes to enrol their child as an incoming Junior Infant in St. Colman's National School for the coming September 2016 can do so until the end of January 2016 after this your place may not be guaranteed, you can download your form on the school website [www.mucklaghns.ie](http://www.mucklaghns.ie) or alternatively you can ring the school on 0579341244

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

**Ballykilmurray Community Presents Operation Transformation:** in association with Edgewater Clinic. An 8 week individual programme, with group sessions. Medical Screening on first night with GP. Body Fat analysis, individual weigh ins, food plans and exercise plans each week along with group sessions. Open to all ages. Cost: €100 per individual, €200 per family. All funds raised will go towards Ballykilmurray Community Centre. Commencing on 06-01-2016. For more information contact 087 994 2571.

**Rahan Comhaltas:** Driving along the roads around Rahan these days you feel the seasons changing. Even with the changeable weather and unseasonable temperatures you can see the evenings extending and the birds and animals thinking about what needs to be done to get their house in order for the new year. For Rahan Comhaltas and its committee it is much the same. As we head towards February and the longer evening's thoughts have turned to events for the New Year. A committee meeting was held Friday the 19<sup>th</sup> Jan. and the following issues were discussed. Preparation for the Fleadh Cheoil was trashed out with plans put in place for developing the new Grupa Cheoil and Ceili Bands at U12, U15 and U18. All members interested in participating need to make contact as soon as possible and a text was sent to all members with closing date for application. Barbara Gaffey set dance coordinator for Rahan has plans to put together her special set to compete in the Offaly Fleadh in May and we are looking forward to that. Another annual Workshop was discussed and dates were agreed for our Annual Sessiún which will be held from 28<sup>th</sup> June to August 9<sup>th</sup> again this year. The second term of music lessons is now drawing to an end and notice will be sent out to all parents outlining when the third term will commence. We look forward to the endless hours of practice ahead playing music and dancing our way to the Fleadh and the Sessiún. We hope you will travel some of that journey with us.

**Rahan Drama Group:** Rehearsals are going very well for Rahan Drama Group's 2016 production, 'My Wife's Family', by Fred Duprez, This three-act comedy has a large cast of 11. The play will be staged in Rahan Community Centre, on 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> of April.

**Shamrocks Notes: Lotto:** The numbers drawn were 15-16-17-32. There was no Jackpot Winner. 2 x Match 3's €200 each. M. Ryan (Ger White) & Pat Cantwell (J Kearney). Next week's Jackpot will be €7,800. Draw in Tullabeg.

**Sponsorship:** As we approach the start of a new session we are looking for anyone who may be interested in sponsoring a set of jerseys and in return have their name printed on the jerseys. If anyone is interested can they please contact Liam on 087928 6701. **Condolences:** Our thoughts and prayers are with the Kelly family at this time following the sudden passing of Pat Joe.

#### **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 8<sup>th</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.