

RAHAN PARISH

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

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4th Sunday of Easter (Vocations Sunday) 22nd April 2018

This Good Shepherd Sunday, the gospel describes Jesus as the 'genuine' Shepherd who wants a personal relationship with each one of us and who would lay down his life for us. The gospel emphasizes the importance of relationship as the shepherd knows his flock and cares for them

KILLINA

Sunday 22nd 10.30:

Mass for James & May Hanlon, Agall

Tuesday 24th 7.30pm:

Mass for Theresa Gaye, Killeranny

Wednesday 25th 9.00am:

Mass in the Convent

Friday 27th 9.00am:

Sunday 29th 10.30am:

THE ISLAND

Saturday 21st 6.00pm:

Mass for Edward & Mary Cornally, Ballina & deceased members of the Cornally Family, Dernagun & deceased members of the Dunne Family, Bel Air

Saturday 28th 6.00pm:

Mass for John & Moira Ryan, Birr their son Harry, Sr. Josephine Grimes & the deceased Members of the Ryan Family, Birr & the Grimes Family, Kinnitty

MUCKLAGH:

Saturday 21st 7.30pm:

Mass for Peter & Elizabeth Coughlan & their son Ambrose, Cloonagh

Sunday 22nd 9.00am:

1st Anniversary Mass for Paul Barone, Screggan

Sunday 22nd 12noon:

Mass for James, Peter & Mary Dempsey, St. O' Hara's

Sunday 22nd 3.00pm:

1st Anniversaries for John & Mary Egan, St. Colman's Terrace
And John's sister Eileen Mc Loughlin, Banagher

Tuesday 24th 9.00am:

Wednesday 25th 7.30pm:

Mass for Patsy & Kathleen Rigney their daughter in law Maura & son in law Frank

Thursday 26th 9.00am:

Friday 27th 7.30pm:

Mass for Rosy & John Horan O' Moore St, Tullamore

Saturday 28th 7.30pm:

Mass for Michael O' Reilly, The Fingerboard

Sunday 29th 9.00am:

Sunday 29th 11am: Please Note Time Change: Mass for Joe, Margaret & Karl McGee, Dublin

Sunday 29th 1.00pm:

Ceremony of Confirmation Rahan Parish. We welcome Bishop Smith to our Parish

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 €125.00

The Island €135.00

Mucklagh €720.00

Dev Fund: Killina & The Island €230.00

Mucklagh €280.00

Trocaire to Date: Killina & The Island €2,221.00

Mucklagh €3,463.00

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

In Memory: Please remember in your prayers the repose of the souls of **Damien Flaherty**, Screggan (son of Aine and the Late Vincent Flaherty) who died on the 12th April. His funeral took place on the 15th April in St. Colman's Church, Mucklagh followed by burial in the adjoining Cemetery, **Mary Moran (nee Hanlon)**, Tullamore (sister of Betty Kidney, Cornalaur) who died on the 15th April, her funeral took place on the 18th April in Tullamore followed by burial in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Killeigh, **Bridie Gonoude**, Mucklagh who died on the 16th April. Her funeral took place on the 19th April in St. Colman's Church, Mucklagh followed by burial in the adjoining Cemetery, and **Malachy Grogan**, Cloonagh & Liverpool (brother of the late Fr. Colm Grogan) who died in Liverpool recently and his burial of Ashes took place in Mucklagh on the 21st April. May they rest in peace

Vocations Sunday 22nd April: A special Collection will take place this weekend 21st/22nd April in the three Churches of the Parish

Confirmation in Mucklagh Church: Please note that the 12noon Mass on Sunday 29th April will be moved back to 11.00am to facilitate the 1.00pm Confirmation Ceremony. Apologies for any inconvenience this may cause. This decision is made in relation to traffic for the two occasions. Every good wish to one and all in preparations for the Confirmation Day 2018

A Special Word of Thanks: On his own behalf and that of his family, Fr. Guinan wishes to express his gratitude to all who attended the wake or funeral for his brother Sean, and for all the prayers and expressions of sympathy. I have had the pleasure of offering Mass and praying for your intentions in the Holy Land this past week. Wishing every blessing to all. F. Guinan

Killina Presentation Secondary School: Students will speak at the 12noon Mass on Sunday 22nd April in relation to the Zambia Emersion Programme. Refreshments will be available in Mucklagh Community Centre afterwards. All are welcome

Churchgate Collections: Killina Presentation Secondary School: will have a Churchgate Collection next weekend, the 28th/29th April at all Masses in the Island, Killina and Mucklagh Churches. Proceeds in aid of the Parent's Council for the school. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

The Irish Cancer Society: will hold it's Annual Churchgate Collection in Rahan Parish on the 26th and the 27th May. We are looking for collectors for Mucklagh. If you are in a position to help please contact Mary at 021 484 0597 or email mmorrish@irishncancer.ie.

Tullamore BPW Club: Meeting, Wednesday 25th April at 8pm in the Bridge House. "Understanding Dementia". All welcome. Admission Free.

Coffee Morning for Coeliacs: at the Foxy Bean, beside Spar Shop, Bridge Street, Tullamore, on Saturday 28th April at 10.30am. For more details telephone: 087-2563439.

Mucklagh Community Development Lotto: 17/4/2018. Numbers drawn were 4, 11, 16, 31. No Jackpot winner. 4 match 3 winners: Conor O' Donoghue c/o Kevin Casey, Kathleen Stones c/o Paddy Tyrrell, Gretta Flynn c/o Fiona Murray, Denis Coyne c/o Philip Barron. Thank you for your continued support. Mucklagh Community Development Lotto would like to Congratulate Willie, William & Callum Cronley on their recent jackpot win of 12,000 euros in the Lotto . We wish them all the best.

Weekly Classes & Activities in the Centre: **Step or Circuit Classes**, Contact Maria Lambe on 0863582066, **Pilates Classes**, Contact Tanya Dempsey on 0863532240, **Pilates Classes**, Contact Elaine Carroll on 0863892882. **Active Age...** Tuesdays 3pm to 5pm...all welcome, **Coffee Morning:** Tuesday 9am to 11am all welcome. Contact the centre for any queries on 057 93 56886

Mucklagh Community TXT Alert: A public meeting will be held in Mucklagh Community Centre on **Wednesday 2nd May 2018 at 8pm** with a view to setting up TXT Alert in Mucklagh & the surrounding areas. This is an essential & effective way of helping to reduce rural crime. This can only be done with the full co-operation of the community and so we are appealing to residents from Mucklagh Village & all the surrounding areas to attend. The service cannot be provided by just one or two volunteers. Sgt. Graham Kavanagh & Garda. Clair Comerford will be in attendance on the night to outline how the service works. So please come & do your bit the help make our Area a safer place to live.

Rahan Drama Group: DVDs of the play 'Anyone can Rob a Bank' (costing €8) can be ordered through Aidan Grennan on 087 3153434.

VOLUNTEER IN AFRICA: Humanitarian Volunteers are looking for volunteers to travel to Kenya on 17 June 2018. The volunteers will work on a humanitarian project for two weeks. No experience required and no age restrictions. Support and Supervision provided. Volunteers will also visit the resting place of the Venerable Edel Quinn. No large fundraising. Volunteers will pay their own costs. If you can assist teaching English, or assist with sports, games, arts, crafts or more, then you can make a real impact on the lives of the poorest and those without hope. **Contact Denis Humanitarian Volunteers on 086 8520271.**

Shamrock's Notes: Lotto: The numbers drawn were 11-14-20-22. No Jackpot Winner. 2 x Match 3 =€100 each. Emily Grennan (J Kearney) & James Rock (Kellys). Jackpot €8,000 next week. Draw in Kellys.

Results: U17 Hurling League: Shamrock's vs Na Fianna Final Score Shamrock's 5-13 Na Fianna 0-05

Hurling Championship Round 2: Shamrock's vs Clodiagh Gaels Final Score – Shamrock's 4-15 Clodiagh Gaels 4-12

Junior Hurling Championship: Shamrock's vs Tullamore Final Score – Shamrock's 0-09 Tullamore 1-09

U15 Football: Shamrock's vs Ferbane/Belmont Final Score – Shamrock's 4-11 F/B 5-02

Letter of thanks from Meath Diocesan Adoration Committee in relation to 40 Hours Adoration in Meath diocese in 7 locations:

Dear Father, On behalf of the Meath Diocesan Adoration Committee, we wish to express our sincere thanks to Bishop Michael Smith, priests, religious and lay people, for their support of the 40 Hours Adoration for the Protection of Life, that was held in 7 locations in our diocese. The response was incredible and from reports, the attendance averaged about 26 people per hour in all locations, Mullingar, Navan, Drogheda, Kells, Kilcloon, and Tullamore. Some had up to 100 people for a lot of the hours A very special thanks to the priests in each of the 7 locations who were so supportive and worked so hard with the Eucharistic Adoration members to make it so successful. A big thanks to the organisers at each location for all the work leading up to the 40 Hours and for the work over that weekend. It was a very blessed weekend and will bear much fruit.

John Howard Chairman Bartle Ó Curraoin Secretary