

PARISH OF RAHAN

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

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4th Sunday of Easter Sunday 26th April 2015.

Today is Good Shepherd Sunday and World Day of Prayer for Vocations, a day when all of us are invited to reflect on the meaning of God's call and to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Jesus is the Good Shepherd. He laid down his life for the flock, that is, you and me, the Church. In a general way he invites everyone in the Church to share in the work of caring for the flock in our own place and in our own time. But he also calls some from among us to a life-long commitment as priests and religious. Called to be Shepherds of the flock of God. Priests and religious are called to share in the life and work of Jesus the Good Shepherd. If today you should hear God's voice calling you to be a Diocesan priest or religious, harden not your hearts. And if you do not hear God calling you to this way of life, then do everything in your power to encourage those who are called to it and who struggle even with faltering steps to follow the footsteps of Jesus the Good Shepherd.

KILLINA

Sunday 26th 10.30am: Mass for the deceased members of the Carroll, Family, Glaskill.
Tuesday 28th 7.30pm: Mass for the Tom, Kathleen & Canice Cantwell & deceased family members, Tullyhill.
Wednesday 29th 9.00am: Mass in the Convent.
Friday 1st 7.30pm: **Mass for all those on the List of the Dead.**
Sunday 3rd 10.30am: Mass for Charlie & Mary Scully, Killina.

THE ISLAND

Saturday 25th 6.00pm: Mass for Jim & Kathleen Rigney, The Island & deceased family members.
Friday 1st 6.30pm: **Mass for all those on the List of the dead.**
Saturday 8th 6.00pm: Mass for Maureen Sammon & deceased family members, Brockagh.

MUCKLAGH CHURCH

Saturday 25th 7.30pm: Mass for Jim & Margaret O' Neill, their son Donal & son-in-law Michael Fox.
Sunday 26th 9.00am: Mass for Michael O' Reilly, The Fingerboard.
Sunday 26th 12noon: Mass for Michael English, Adam's Villas.
Tuesday 28th 9.00am: -----
Wednesday 29th 7.30pm: Mass for Rosy & John Horan, O' Moore Street, Tullamore.
Thursday 30th 9.00am: -----
Friday 1st 7.30pm: **Mass for all those on the List of Dead &**
For Patsy Fletcher & his parents Patrick & Catherine, Glaskill.
Saturday 2nd 7.30pm: Mass for Peter & Betty Owens, Beechmount Park.
Sunday 3rd 9.00am: Mass for Kathleen White, Screggan.
Sunday 3rd 12noon: 1st Anniversary Mass for Margaret McGee & her husband Joseph & son Karl, Dublin.

Perpetual Adoration: of the Blessed Sacrament takes place:-

Killina Church - every Monday from 3pm to 10pm.

The Island - every Tuesday from 6pm to 7pm.

Mucklagh - every Thursday from 9.30am to 8.00pm.

Holy Hour Convent, Killina - every Thursday - from 2pm to 3pm.

Offertory/Plate:	Killina €115.00	The Island €107.00	Mucklagh €820.00
Dev Fund:	Killina & The Island €130.00		Mucklagh €240.00

In Memory: Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of **Paddy Kubacki**, Church Hill, Tullamore who died recently. His funeral took place in St. Colman's Church, Mucklagh with burial in the New Cemetery, **Bernie Carroll**, (sister of Eilish Carroll, Dillon St and Bernard Carroll, Blueball) who died on the 22nd April. Her funeral took place in Our Lady of Lourdes Church Drogheda on the 25th of April with burial afterwards in Newtown Cross Lawn Cemetery and **Annie Rooney**, The Meelaghans and formally Cloonagh who died on the 20th April. Her funeral took place on the 22nd April in Killeigh with burial afterwards in the local cemetery. May they rest in peace.

St. Joseph's Y.P.S: The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 28th April after the 7.30pm Mass in Killina.

Vocations Sunday: The annual collection for the support of students will be taken up today after all Masses.

Confirmation Day 19th April: Congratulations to the 36 candidates from the parish who received their Confirmation last Sunday at 1pm in Killina Church. Many thanks to the teachers Mr. Hayden and Ms. O. Connor for their work in preparation for the Ceremony. Thanks also to all who prepared the Church and grounds for the day.

Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration: You are invited to Knock on the 26th April (today) for the third National Pilgrimage of the Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration. This will be the First Official Pilgrimage in the refurbished Basilica. All groups, organisations and Apostolates are very welcome. The most Rev. Michael Smith, Bishop of Meath will celebrate Mass and Father John Harris OP will deliver his talk at 1.15pm in the Basilica. Activities are also planned for teenagers, youth and children. More details will be available from the notice board in your local Churches. Please contact Carmel at 93 51367 or Joan at 93 51923 for booking your trip to Knock as soon as possible.

Active Retirement: Safe-T lights are now available at €20 each. Great in a power-cut, use as night light also. Contact Carmel on 087 9530377.

Progressive 25: Benefit Night for Gemma Deegan. €700 in prizes. ON Friday 8th May in Ballykilmurray Community Centre. Admission is €10 and commencing at 9.00pm. Refreshments served.

Rahan Community Alert: Our Race Night was a great success. Thanks to all who supported in any way. We have decided that because of so many townlands crisscrossing each other it is too difficult to do so we are going with the standard sign. Thanks again for all support.

Community Games: Draughts match for u-10 and u-14 teams against Ferbane will take place on Monday 27th April at 7.30pm in Killina School. Best wishes to both teams. Well done to all the children who competed in the MRI Swimming Gala last weekend in Aura Swimming Pool, Tullamore. Will be in contact with all who are eligible to progress to the county final in Birr on Monday 1st June. Well done also to the U-10 boys Gaelic football team who defeated Clara to progress to the next round. Finally, congratulations to Emily Cunningham and Eoin Corcoran who came 2nd and 3rd respectively in the U-10 Art County Final. For any further information or updates check out our facebook page.

Mucklagh Goes Strictly: is on tonight, April 25th in the Tullamore Court Hotel. We would like to thank our 30 Dancers who have been training around the clock for the last number of weeks. We wish them well on Saturday night and we hope you will be all there to support them. If you would like tickets ring 086 836 4523 or 086 305 6700.

Rahan Drama Group: The DVD of the recent very successful production of "A Wake in the West" is now available. Bookings of the DVD can be got from Mary at 087 2369175 at a price of €6. Well done to all involved.

Mucklagh Community Development: Lotto: draw 21/04/15 numbers drawn 3 - 18 - 19 -2. No Jackpot Winner. 4 Match Three Winners €40 each Shiela Lynch, Aidan Larkin, Susan Bryons and Margaret Halpin. Next week's Jackpot €12,000. Next week's match three €150. Thanks to everyone who support our local lotto.

Tullamore Darkness Into Light Walk: for Pieta House is on the 9th May, 2015 at 4.15a.m. Pre-registration dates are 24th/25th April and 1st/2nd and 8th of May in the Bridge Centre, Tullamore. See Darkness Into Light Tullamore Facebook page for more details.

Fundraising Meet: for all car enthusiasts in aid of IINM Suicide Prevention on Sunday 31st May in Cloncollig Industrial Estate, Tullamore from 2.00pm-6.00pm. IINM candles for sale. For more information contact Paddy White on 086 0543175, facebook IINM Suicide prevention or Paddy Scooby Kelly Facebook. Trophies for the event presented by Danny Barry Motorsport.

Lough Derg Pilgrimage: Season opens Saturday 2nd May with One Day Retreats which continue on 3, 4, 9, 10, 12, 16, 17, 19, 23, 25, 25 of May. Advance booking is essential. The Three Day Pilgrimage season begins on Friday 29th May. You can begin the Three Day Pilgrimage any day between 29th May and 13th August. Pre-booking not required. Contact Lough Derg 071 9861518 or email. info@loughderg.org

Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Led by Bishop Smith 12 -17 September 2015. Return flights, 5 nights. Hotel full board, insurance & taxes €719. There is a special section for sick pilgrims requiring assistance with accommodation and medical supervision in the Accueil Notre Dame. There is a special youth section, 18- 30 years. Fare €350. To book, contact: Pilgrimage Abroad Ltd, 69 Upper O Connell St., Dublin 1. Tel: 01-6359300

Tullamore Parish: Pilgrimage to Fatima (not restricted to Tullamore parishioners) 30th July-5th August 2015. Hotel Cinquentenario 4*. 7 nights €699. Full board (including return flights via Aer Lingus). Spiritual Director: Fr. John Nally. Book through: Pat Kidney at 086 3192399 or P.J. Smyth at 086 8796190.

Shamrock's Notes: LOTTO: The numbers drawn were 1, 4, 11 & 13. There was no Jackpot Winner. 5 x match 3 winners €80 each Oliver Buckley c/o Eoin Larkin. John Larkin c/o Eoin Larkin. Michelle O' Connell c/o Kelly's. Ita Kearney c/o John Kearney and Brendan McEvoy c/o Himself. Jackpot €6,600 next week. Draw in Tullybeg. Hard luck to our u14 footballers who lost by a single point to Na Fianna in the u14A feile football semi final. Well done to our u16 footballers who had a one point victory over Tullamore in the first round of the championship in a very hard fought game. Well done to the junior hurlers who had a draw match against KK and the minor footballers who had a victory over St Vincent's. **Referee Course:** If there is anyone in the club who is interested in taking the foundation referees course there is one on in Kildare is next Tuesday 28th at 7:30 in Clane GAA. If you are interested can you contact Grainne on 0872395659 to book a place.

Fixtures: Sunday 26th Division 1 Football League Shamrocks Vs Ferbane in Ferbane @ 12pm. Monday 27th U16 Hurling Championship Shamrocks Vs Ferbane/Belmont in Rahan @ 7pm Tuesday 28th Division 4 Football League. Shamrocks Vs Ballinagar in Ballinagar @ 7.30pm Wednesday 29th Minor Hurling League. Shamrocks Vs Durrow in Ballinamere @ 7pm Friday 1st May U14 Football Championship Shamrocks Vs St Rynagh's in a Mucklagh @ 7pm.