

RAHAN PARISH COMMUNITY

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

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4th Sunday of Lent 26th March 2017

From time to time there are fascinating programmes on TV about extraordinary developments in medicine. Recently there were a number of remarkable strides which had been made in curing blindness. It involved inserting a device into a person's optic nerve system. Imagine the blind person's delight as he or she for the first time experienced colours. So imagine then the confusion followed by the delight of this blind man when his blindness was healed by Christ

KILLINA

Sunday 26th 10.30am: Mass for James & Mary Kate Lynam, Ballinclohan & Myrna Mc Dermott, New York

Tuesday 28th 7.30pm: -----

Wednesday 29th 9.00am:

Mass in the Convent

Thursday 30th 7.00pm:

Monthly Parish Community Children's Mass

Friday 31st 9.00am: -----

Sunday 2nd 10.30am

Mass for Edward & Annie Larkin, Ballinclohan

'Do this in Memory Mass' for the 2nd Class pupils of Scoil Charthaigh Naofa

THE ISLAND

Saturday 25th 6.00pm:

Mass for Michael & Bridget Larkin & deceased members of the Gray Family, Kilpatrick

Saturday 1st 6.00pm:

Mass for Johnny & Moira Ryan, Birr & their son Harry & Sr. Josephine Grimes

MUCKLAGH

Saturday 25th 7.30pm:

Mass for Lily Martin & her daughter Betty Martin Cullen, Dillon Street

Sunday 26th 9.00am:

Mass for the Condron Family, St. Colman's Terrace

Sunday 26th 12noon:

Mass for Michael & Kathleen O' Hanlon, The Fingerboard
& their parents & deceased family members

Tuesday 28th 9.00am:

Mass for the Berry Family, Scrub, Killeigh & deceased family members

Wednesday 29th 7.30pm:

Month's Memory Mass for Nellie Ward

Thursday 30th 9.00am: -----

Friday 31st 7.30pm:

Mass for The Owens family, St. Colman's Tce, & the Geoghegan & Clarke families, Glaskill

Saturday 1st 7.30pm:

Mass for James Coyne, Brocca & Ailish Conway, nee Neville, Lynally

Sunday 2nd 9.00am:

Mass for George, Mary & Paddy Walsh, Healy Street

Sunday 2nd 12noon:

'Do this in Memory Mass' for the 2nd Class pupils of St. Colman's N.S.

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.

Clocks go forward this Saturday
Evening 25th March

Offertory/Plate incl St. Patrick's Day: Killina €400.00 The Island €325.00 Mucklagh €1,298.00

Dev Fund: Killina & The Island €225.00

Mucklagh €285.00

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

In Memory: Please remember in your prayers the repose of the souls of **Catherine Martin (Nee Tyrrell)**, Cloncollig, (sister of Paddy Tyrrell, Cloonagh) who died on the 17th March. Her funeral took place in Tullamore on the 20th March with burial in Clonminch Cemetery, **Noel Connolly**, Arden View, (son in law of Maura Bryant, Ballard) who died on the 18th March. His funeral took place on the 22nd March in Tullamore with burial in Clonminch Cemetery and **Margaret Flaherty**, (wife of Johnny) Charleville View who died on the 18th March. Her funeral took place in Tullamore on the 21st March followed by cremation. May they rest in peace

Our Parish Christian Community: Welcomes **Anna May Mooney**, Ross Road, Screggan who was baptised in St. Colman's Church on the 18th March and **Thomas Mark Doolan**, Kilcush, Killina who was baptised in St. Carthage's Church on the 19th March

St. Joseph's Y.P.S: The next meeting will take place on **Tuesday 28th March in Killina after the 7.30pm Mass**

Eucharistic Ministers on duty in the Island Church for April: 1st Apr: G. Minnock, 8th Apr: A. Minnock, 13th Apr (Holy Thurs): K. Looby, 14th Apr (Good Fri): M. Minnock, 15th Apr (Holy Sat): G. Minnock & A. Minnock, 16th Apr (Easter Sun): K. Looby, 22nd Apr: M. Minnock, 29th Apr: G. Minnock

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: Classes will begin this 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 21/03/17 numbers drawn 7,17 ,20 ,26. No jackpot winner, no match 3 winners, Next week's Jackpot €12,000 and next week match three win/share €450. Thanks for all the continued support.

Mucklagh Community Development: would like to offer their heartfelt condolences to Paddy Tyrell and family on the passing of his sister Catherine Martin. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Tyrell and Martin families at this sad time.

Rahan Drama Group: Many thanks to each and every person involved in the production of 'The Real McCoy' on 17th, 18th & 19th March. It was a wonderful play and huge efforts were made by one and all. Many thanks also to those who came along on the three nights

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

Mochuda Preschool Scoil Charthaigh Naofa Fundraiser: There are 14 fitness classes running over 14 hours and also 24 hours of spinning. Classes are €5 per class and include a wide variety e.g. circuits, steps, aerobics etc. Alternatively people can book a bike to spin as part of the 24 hour challenge. It's on April 7th in Rahan Hall, starting at 9.45a.m and running for 24 hours.

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: 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 Tidy Towns Group General Meeting: Will take place on Wednesday 29th March at 9.00pm in Mucklagh Community Centre. Mucklagh Tidy Towns Group has completed extensive work over the past few years, with just a small number of volunteers. In addition to keeping the village litter-free, a number of large projects have been completed including the installation of decorative benches, new flowerbeds, refurbishment of the Turret Gates and levelling of the mounds in front of the gates, painting and maintaining the derelict garage, the Mucklagh bypass sign, and so on. It would be very disappointing if this work were to come to an end but it is not practical to continue this work in 2017 unless additional volunteers are in place. We are looking for people across a number of groups – flower planting, litter-picking, painting, facebook page and PR, history project, etc. If you have an interest in volunteering for a couple of hours per week, or at a time that suits you, please come to this short meeting on the 29th. Thank you!

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.

Shamrock's Notes: Lotto Numbers: The numbers drawn were 6,16,25,27. No jackpot or match three winners. Jackpot next week is €13000 and the draw is in Tullybeg. Thank you for your continued support.

Results: The U21 hurlers went out on St. Patrick's day in awful conditions to play their Championship match against St. Rynagh's. The full time score Shamrock's 1-08 St. Rynagh's 2-10. Hard luck to the team and management who put in such hard work and gave 100% commitment over the last few months, very hard to see it all over after just one match. Hope to see all these young lads out on the pitch in the near future. Our U16's had a comprehensive victory over Ballinamere/Durrow in round two of the league. Shamrock's played some good football and were never in danger of losing the game. Shamrock's now top the group and await semi final draw. Well done lads, keep up the good work.

Colin Dunne Memorial Golf Classic At Esker Hills On Easter Saturday: Plans are well underway for the annual Colin Dunne Memorial Golf Classic, organised by Shamrocks GAA Club. This year, the event takes place at Esker Hills Golf Club on Easter Saturday, 15th April. Generous prizes are on offer and, as usual, the winning team will be presented with the Colin Dunne Memorial Cup and a special memento, compliments of the Dunne family. The format for the Golf Classic is a three-ball scramble and the entry fee is €120 per team. This price includes a meal for each player in the club house. Anyone wishing to provide sponsorship for the Golf Classic may do so for €50. Each donation will be highlighted at a tee-box and also on a board at the golf course on the day. For further information, contact any member of the organising committee, which includes Liam Mooney ([087 9286701](tel:0879286701)), John Mollin ([086 8044993](tel:0868044993)), Brendan Minnock ([0877641711](tel:0877641711)), Gerry Buckley ([087 9290722](tel:0879290722))

U21 Leinster Football Final: Good luck to the Offaly u21 football team who are in the final on Wednesday the 29th March at 7.30pm in Laois and especially Paddy Dunican who is on the panel.

Kevin Dundon: It is with a great regret that the Kevin Dundon cookery demonstration has to be called off. Anyone who has purchased tickets will be reimbursed. Thank you to those who were supporting the event.

A very Happy Mother's Day to all of our Mothers. Have a great Day