

# RAHAN PARISH COMMUNITY

## KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

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5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter 24<sup>th</sup> April 2016

When we truly love one another, we are experiencing something of the divine as love comes from God, love is God and God is love. Surely Jesus's command to love one another was nothing new for the disciples and those of their time; the commandment is well known in the Old Testament. But the love Jesus asks of the disciples here (and of us) is to love as he loved, and that is a controversial love for some.

### KILLINA

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> 10.30am:

Month's Memory Mass for John Hickey, Cappaloughan

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm:

1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Mass for Theresa Gaye, Killeranny

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> 9.00am:

Mass in the Convent.

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> 9.00am:

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Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> 10.30am:

Mass for Charlie & Mary Scully, Killina

### THE ISLAND

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> 6.00pm:

Mass for Michael, Pat, Andrew & Joe Birmingham & their sister  
Mary Flanagan & Mick Delaney, Kilpatrick

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> 6.00pm: Mass for Maureen Sammon & deceased members of the Sammon family, Brocca, Ballycumber

### MUCKLAGH CHURCH

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> 7.30pm:

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

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> 9.00am:

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Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> 12noon:

Mass for Michael O' Reilly, The Fingerboard

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> 9.00am:

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Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm:

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

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> 9.00am:

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Friday 29<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm:

Mass for Michael & Florence Guilfoyle, Kilbeggan

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

Mass for Peter & Betty Owens, Beechmount Park  
And also for Joe, Margaret & Karl McGee, Dublin

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> 9.00am:

Mass for Kathleen White, Screggan

Sunday 12noon:

Mass for Dermot & Eithne Colbert, Dublin & 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.

<b>Offertory/Plate:</b>	Killina €150.00	The Island €270.00	Mucklagh €721.00
<b>Dev Fund:</b>	Killina & The Island €255.00		Mucklagh €375.00
<b>Trocaire last week and this week:</b>	<b>Killina &amp; The Island €150.00</b>		<b>Mucklagh €295.00</b>
<b>Vocations Sunday Collection:</b>	<b>Killina &amp; The Island €425.00</b>		<b>Mucklagh €959.00</b>

**Our Parish Christian Community:** Welcomes Amber Lillie Murphy Kelly, Kilbeggan, Co. Westmeath who was baptised in Killina on the 16<sup>th</sup> April.

**Fr. Johnny McEvoy Fiji Cyclone Appeal:** A Collection will take place at the three churches of the parish on the weekend of 30<sup>th</sup> April and 1<sup>st</sup> May (Saturday & Sunday, Next weekend).

**Lough Derg Jubilee Year of Mercy Pilgrimage Season:** opens on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May with One Day Retreats which continue on 2, 7, 8, 10, 14, 15, 17, 21, 22, 23, 28, 29 & 30 of May. Booking is essential. The Three Day Pilgrimage season begins on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June. You may begin the Pilgrimage on any day between 1<sup>st</sup> June and 13<sup>th</sup> August. Pre-booking is not required for the Three Day Pilgrimage. Contact Lough Derg by telephone 071 9861518, email [info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org), [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org).

**Holy Father's Collection for Ukraine:** Bishop Michael Smith has informed us that Pope Francis has asked for all parishes in Europe to hold a special collection at all Masses this weekend for the Church and the people in Ukraine. Many thanks for your great generosity.

**Commemoration Day:** Rahan Hall Committee, would like to invite the whole Parish Community, to a Commemorative Ceremony to raise the National Flag, in commemoration of the 1916 Rising, and also reading of the Proclamation, on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April at 5pm, on the green area outside Rahan Community Centre. Refreshments later.

**Mucklagh Community Development: Lotto:** draw 19/04/16 no's drawn 6 -12 -22 -31. No Jackpot winner. Three match 3 winners Tracey Beatty, C/O Damien Bryant. Brenda Betson, C/O Catch Grogan, and Joe Carty, C/O Cep Carthy, Each win €50. Next week Jackpot €12,000 and match three win/share €150. Thank you for your continued support.

**Rahan Social Services:** The Chiropodist will be available on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April. People from Mucklagh will be seen between 10.30am and 12.30pm and Rahan people will be seen from 1pm onwards. All toes are welcome.

**Rahan Community Alert:** The Mini Marathon is looming large in June and our Chairperson Ann is doing the trip as a fundraiser for our community based CCTV, we are looking for sponsorship and our agents will be calling to doors from now until May 9<sup>th</sup>. At a fiver a line it's not too bad and we hope everyone gives generously for Ann's great effort. Thanks again for your continued support and please report any suspicious goings on.

**Big Maggie:** Tullamore Amateur Dramatic Society (T.A.D.S.) will present "Big Maggie" (a play by John B. Keane) in the Sacred Heart School Hall, Daingean Road, Tullamore from Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April inclusive at 8.30p.m. each night. Admission €10.00 (Concession €8.00)

**Rahan Drama Group:** Anyone interested in ordering a DVD of the recent play, 'My Wife's Family', can do so, by contacting Aidan Grennan, on 087 3153434. The cost is €6.

**Mucklagh Tidy Towns:** April is "Spring Clean" month and we are now approaching the judging season for both the Tullamore Credit Union and National Tidy Towns competitions. Mucklagh TT Group will hold a litter-pick this coming Wednesday evening – meeting at the Church at 7pm. The group will concentrate on the Lynally area this week. Mucklagh TT Group is comprised of approximately 10 volunteers. As such, we cannot cover all of the townlands around Mucklagh for litter-control. We are seeking a volunteer from each area who would monitor litter levels in their area, notify the TT Group when a clean-up is needed and help to organise a group from the area to assist in that clean-up. This would only require a small amount of your time and would be of great benefit to the community. Please contact Maureen at 086-3056700 if you wish to help. We would also like to acknowledge the work done by Darryl O'Dwyer since he took up his post last year.

**BPW:** meeting, Bridge House Wed 27<sup>th</sup> 8pm. Speaker from The Irish Longitudinal Study on Ageing (TILDA). All Welcome. Admission €5.

**Offaly Cancer Support Group:** A ten week Bereavement Support Programme will commence with an information evening on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at our centre in Offaly St. Tullamore. The programme is open to adults who have been bereaved through cancer. There is no fee for this programme. For more information contact Offaly Cancer Support Group on 057 86 28268 email: [info@dochasoffaly.ie](mailto:info@dochasoffaly.ie)

**Community Games:** Congratulations to Lucy O'Rourke and Edel Hickey who came first in their respective Art finals last weekend and will now progress to represent Offaly in the National Finals. Well done to all the children who participated in the swimming gala in the Aura Leisure Centre on 10<sup>th</sup> April. Best of luck to Grace, Caitlin, Martin, Brian and Peter who will be participating in the county talent competition on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm in Citeaux Hall, Ballyskenach. Basketball training is ongoing. Draughts coaching continues on Friday evenings, 8:15pm - 9:15pm in Mucklagh national school. Please check out our Facebook page for all updates. Don't forget the Mucklagh Community Development auction in the community centre on 30<sup>th</sup> April. We would be grateful if anyone with baking skills could donate freshly baked food for the auction.

**Mucklagh Community Development: Auction.** Plans are going well for the Auction which takes place on Saturday April 30<sup>th</sup>. If you have Saleable goods, from electric, electronics, garden, household, agriculture vouchers or services you would like to donate for our auction you may do so by contacting Alison O Kelly 087, 754 8981, Philip Barron, 087 362 5409, Sammy Mc Morris, 086 105 5720, John Leahy 087 207 3226. Email: [mucklaghd@gmail.com](mailto:mucklaghd@gmail.com) or call to our centre from Monday - Friday 9.30 – 12.30. **Also we are calling on people who bake to donate cakes / breads to the cake stand on the day.** All funds raised will go towards Mucklagh Community centre.

**Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Rome:** August 19<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> 2016. Led by Bishop Michael Smith. Reservations to Mullingar Travel, Austin Friar Street, Mullingar, or contact 044 9340587.

**Life in the Spirit Seminar:** Day Chapel Church of the Assumption, Tullamore. Begins Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm for 7 Wednesdays. Contact number 087 9144872/086 3790728

**The Children of Lir:** Blessington Millennium Choir Concert takes place on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May at 8.00pm in the Church of the Assumption, Tullamore. All proceeds in aid of Dochas Cancer Support. Tickets €10 from Parish office 057 9321587 & Teach Dochas, Offaly Street 057 9328268.

**Shamrock's Notes: Lotto:** The numbers drawn were 9-20-27-32. No Jackpot Winner. No Match 3's! Jackpot €10,200 next week. €400 win or share for match 3 next week. Draw in Tullabeg. **Resodding:** has taken place in the goalmouths of Rahan pitch all teams training there are asked to keep off this area until further notice. Thanks, Roger. **U12:** Hurling trip to Mullingar: Parents a trip to Mullingar is being organised for Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> of May. The plan is to go by bus and play a Hurling match against Clonkill who have a strong hurling tradition and from there to watch the West Meath vs Offaly Hurling qualifier. Please let Martin or Sean know over the next few days if free to go as need a decent number of boys available to make it worthwhile. **Results: Minor Football League:** Shamrock's 1-8 St. Vincents 1-8. **Junior Hurling League:** Shamrock's 4-9 Clara 1-20. **Fixtures:** Monday 25<sup>th</sup> Minor Hurling League Shamrock's vs K/K in Kilcormac at 7pm. Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> Buggy Coaches Football League Mid Tier 1, Shamrock's vs Tullamore in Mucklagh at 7.30pm. U16 Hurling League, Shamrock's vs CRC Gaels in Rahan at 7pm. Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> Buggy Coaches Football League Mid Tier 2 Shamrock's vs Ballingar in Mucklagh at 7.30pm. Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> Division 3 Hurling League Shamrocks vs K/K in Rahan at 4pm.