

RAHAN PARISH

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

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5th Sunday of Lent 18th March 2018

I remember once hearing someone describe their home as a domestic church, a place of 'indiscriminate welcome'. As we continue our journey through Lent, and soon into Holy Week, let us listen carefully to these words of Jesus. He came for all. He wishes to draw all people to himself. Are our churches, parishes, communities and homes open to all, outsiders included? Are they places of welcome and inclusion, where all who enter experience God's love?

KILLINA

Sunday 18th 10.30am: Mass for James & Margaret McDermott, Dernanaugh, their son Patrick & daughter in law Anne

Tuesday 20th 7.30pm: -----

Wednesday 21st 9.00am: Mass in the Convent

Friday 23rd 9.00am:

Sunday 25th 10.30am: Mass for James & Mary Kate Lynam, Ballincloghan

THE ISLAND

Saturday 17th 6.00pm: **Vigil Mass for Sunday**

Saturday 24th 6.00pm: Mass for Michael & Bridget Larkin & deceased members of the Gray family, Kilpatrick

MUCKLAGH:

Saturday 17th 7.30pm: **Vigil Mass for Sunday**

Sunday 18th 9.00am: Mass for Thomas & Mary Minnock & also Bernard Minnock, The Derries

Sunday 18th 12noon: Mass for Rosemary Fletcher, Glaskill

Tuesday 20th 9.00am: -----

Wednesday 21st 7.30pm: Mass for John Monaghan, 'Melrose', Screggan

Thursday 22nd 9.00am: -----

Friday 23rd 7.30pm: Mass for Siobhan Kelly, Brocca, her Grandad Patrick Casey, her Uncle Padraig & her cousin Dean

Saturday 24th 7.30pm: Mass for Paddy & Brig Barron, Charleville Forest

Sunday 25th 9.00am: Mass for those for all those who have died through Suicide or Accidents

Sunday 25th 12noon: Mass for Brigid, William, Winnie & Mary Owens, St. Colman's Terrace

And the Geoghegan & Clarke families, Glaskill

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 €115.00	The Island €125.00	Mucklagh €710.00
Dev Fund:	Killina & The Island €290.00		Mucklagh €295.00

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

A Special Mass: Will take place on Sunday 25th March at 9.00am in St. Colman's Church for those who have passed away through Suicide and for the consolation of their families

Our Parish Christian Community: Welcomes **Culann James Dooley**, Tullamore who was baptised in St. Colman's Church on the 10th March

In Memory: Please remember in your prayers the repose of the souls of **Catherine Monaghan**, The Heath, Screggan, who died on the 7th March. Her funeral took place in St. Colman's Church, Mucklagh on the 12th March followed by burial in the New Cemetery and **Jim Doody**, Convent Road, Tullamore (husband of Mary (nee) Mooney, Lynally) who died on the 12th March. His funeral took place in the Church of the Assumption, Tullamore on the 16th March followed by burial in Clonminch Cemetery. May they rest in peace

Rosary: for the Protection of Life will be held at the Mass Rock in Rahan at 2.30pm this Sunday 18th March. All welcome

1st Confessions: Congratulations to the children of St. Colman's N.S. who received the sacrament of 1st Confession on Tuesday 13th March in St. Colman's Church and the children of Scoil Charthaigh Naofa, Newtown who received the sacrament of 1st Confession on Thursday 15th March. Well done to their families and teachers who prepared them so well

Chrism Mass: The Blessing of the Holy Oils will take place in the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar on Wednesday 28th March at 7.00pm. All are very welcome, especially those involved in ministry. **(The Mass in Mucklagh Church will take place at 9.00am in the morning on this day and please note there will be no evening Mass)**

40 Hours Eucharistic Adoration: 40 hours of Eucharistic Adoration will take place in the HOSPITAL CHAPEL TULLAMORE from Friday March 23rd at 5.00pm until Sunday March 25th at 9.00am with Mass. All adoration centres are asked to attend and do an hour of Adoration over that weekend and pray for the protection of all human life and the retention of the 8th Amendment. Please bring a family member or friend along also if you can

Confessions for Easter: will take place in the three churches before and after all Masses next weekend 24th & 25th March. Palm Sunday

O.S.P.C.A: Will hold a Churchgate Collection this weekend 17th/18th March at all Masses in Mucklagh and Killina. A permit has been granted for this collection

Mucklagh Active Retirement: are in action from 3pm to 5pm every Tuesday. All Welcome.

Rahan Drama: Just one week to go now, until we find out who exactly robbed the local bank! The play is called Anyone Could Rob A Bank, and was written by Tom Coffey. Our Director is Geraldine Buggy, Assistant Director Fr. Martin Carley, and the cast are: Michael Gleeson, John Gaffey, Carol Robbins, Eddie Grennan, Karen Monahan, Aidan Grennan, Liam Byrne and Martin Minnock. Tickets are on sale from any of the above or by contacting 086 0886648.

Mucklagh Community Centre Lotto Results: Numbers drawn on Tuesday 13/3/2018. Nos drawn 2-4-9-28. No Jackpot Winner. 3 Match 3 winners. Bertha Guilfoyle c/o Jim Guilfoyle, Mary O Kelly c/o Alison O Kelly & Emma Cosgrove. 100.00 each. Thanks to everyone for your continued support.

Mucklagh Active Age: On Tuesday 20th March 2018 we have a talk on Mindfulness, Relaxation & Managing Stress with Imelda & Julie. This talk is also open to everybody & again all are welcome to come along. Light refreshments will be served. So please feel free to come along on the day

Rahan Community Alert: We have an upcoming fundraiser for our CCTV – Race night in Tullabeg Golf Clubhouse on the 19th May. Monitor Alarms available. Those who have them please wear and use them if necessary. Bottles in Fridge also available from Ann on 087 9851819. Be alert and report anything suspicious to 057 9327600

The Annual Glamorous Buttons and Bows: is on Sunday the 18th March in the Tullamore Court Hotel. This fundraiser is for Dóchas Offaly Cancer Support Group. Admission is only €5, with a free entry to a draw for a surprise weekend away compliments of the Tullamore Court Hotel.

PPN (Public Participation Network) Municipal District meetings: Edenderry 21st March at 6.00pm in the Edenderry Library, Tullamore 29th March at 6.00pm in the Tullamore Library. **Topics:** Funding Applications, Do you wish to avail of the following training?, Establishing groups that are representative of specific issues in the following areas: Community Dev: Social Inclusion: Environmental: Contact Offaly PPN @ 0871198591 info@offalyppn.ie

Accord Tullamore: Are looking for Facilitators for their Marriage Care Service. Professional training provided. If interested, please contact ACCORD Tullamore, 0579341831 or accordtull@eircom.net More information on www.accord.ie

Starting your own Business Course (Tullamore): Commencing in the Tullamore Court Hotel on Thursday 22nd March followed by 29th March, 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th April from 7.00-10.00pm. Course fee only €70 or free to JSB or JSA payment recipients. For more information and to reserve a place, contact Local Enterprise Office Offaly on 057 9357480 or visit our website www.localenterprise.ie/Offaly

Shamrock's Notes: Lotto: The numbers drawn were 10, 23, 25 & 30. No Jackpot winner. No match three winner. Jackpot €7000. Match 3 €400 next week. Draw in Tullybeg.

Results: Division 2 Football League Shamrock's vs Walsh Island 10/03/18, Full time score - Shamrocks 1-13 Raheen 2-05. Well done to Shamrocks u13 Footballers who beat Trim On Tuesday evening in Cross County League with a score of 3:8 to 1:1. A brilliant display of team work, slick movement and fitness. Shamrocks have topped the group in this competition.

Colin Dunne Memorial Golf Classic At Esker Hills On Easter Saturday: There are still a few places left in the Colin Dunne golf classic. So don't hesitate, get in there and book your team before it's too late. Plans are well underway for the annual Colin Dunne Memorial Golf Classic, organised by Shamrock's GAA Club. This year, the event takes place at Esker Hills Golf Club on Easter Saturday, 31st of March. 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)), Brendan Minnock ([0877641711](tel:0877641711)), Mossy Clavin ([0876470533](tel:0876470533)) Gerry Buckley ([087 9290722](tel:0879290722))