

RAHAN PARISH COMMUNITY

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

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5th Sunday of Lent 2nd April 2017

In today's Gospel Jesus is surrounded by a culture of death. The disciples are afraid to go back to Bethany, the Jews want to stone Jesus to death, Mary and Martha are distraught over the death of their brother Lazarus, and Lazarus himself lies bound in the darkness of the tomb. It appears as if there is no hope. Jesus weeps for his friend and for those around him

KILLINA

Sunday 2nd 10.30am

Mass for Edward & Annie Larkin, Ballincloghan

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

Tuesday 4th 7.30pm: Monthly Parish Community Devotions & Mass in honour of Our Lady Queen of Peace

Wednesday 5th 9.00am:

Mass in the Convent

Friday 7th 7.30pm:

Mass for all those on the List of the Dead

Sunday 9th 10.30am:

Mass for the Carroll Family, Glaskil

THE ISLAND

Saturday 1st 6.00pm:

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

Friday 7th 6.30pm:

Mass for all those on the List of the Dead

Saturday 8th 6.00pm:

Mass for Joe & Mary Heaton & deceased family members, Kilpatrick, The Island

MUCKLAGH

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.

Tuesday 4th 9.00am:

Mass for the Cleary Family, Rathcabbinn

Wednesday 5th 7.30pm:

Mass for Siobhan Kelly, Brocca Road

Thursday 6th 9.00am:

Friday 7th 7.30pm: Mass for all those on the List of the Dead & for Tom & Rose Mc Dermott, Arden & their sons Micky & Stevie & their daughters Lily Dignan & Peggy Smith

Saturday 8th 7.30pm:

Mass for John Joe & Elsie Lambe, Roscore

Sunday 9th 9.00am:

Mass for Isaac & Bridget Bryant, Cloonagh

Sunday 9th 12noon:

Mass for Dermot & Eithne Colbert & deceased family members, Dublin

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 €210.00

The Island €120.00

Mucklagh €703.00

Dev Fund: Killina & The Island €235.00

Mucklagh €365.00

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

Our Parish Christian Community: Welcomes **Daniel John Cusack**, Glaskill who was baptised in St. Carthage's Church, Killina on the 25th March and **Joshua Gerard Murray**, Beechmount Park who was baptised in St. Colman's Church on the 25th March

Our Lady Queen of Peace: The Parish prayer group continues on Tuesday 4th April at 7.30pm in Killina Church. All are very welcome

Confessions for Easter: Confessions will take place in the three churches before and after the weekend Masses on next weekend the 8th & 9th April. Many thanks to so many people for your great attendance for confession

World Meeting of Families Collection: A collection will take place this weekend in all the Churches of Ireland, to help support the World Meeting of Families gathering with Pope Francis in 2018. Many thanks for your great generosity

World Meeting of Families 2018: Pope Francis has personally chosen Dublin to be the host diocese for the World Meeting of Families from 21-26 August 2018. Planning for this great national and international celebration of faith is well underway. Hosting this important event requires an enormous amount of planning and funding.

Chrism Mass: The Blessing of the Holy Oils will take place in the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar on Wednesday 12th April 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)**

Feast of the Divine Mercy: The Annual Celebrations for Divine Mercy Sunday will take place in the parish on Sunday April 23rd in Mucklagh Church starting at 2.45pm with Mass at 3.00pm. The Novena of Chaplets starts on Good Friday. All are very welcome

Pioneer Association: The Annual Pioneer Association Mass will take place in Mucklagh Church on Sunday 30th April at 3.00pm. All are very welcome

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 28-03-17 The numbers drawn were 8,15,27,32. No winner'. Next week's jackpot €12,000, next week's match 3 share €600. Thank you very much for your continued support.

Mucklagh Community Centre: Would like to invite you and your family to 'Buy a Brick ' Unveiling in Mucklagh Community Centre on Saturday April 8th at 3.00pm.

Rahan Community Alert: Attention all, public meeting takes place in Rahan hall on Wed next 5th April at 8pm regarding CCTV cameras for our area. It's important for people to come along and voice their opinions as to where they think cameras should be located at strategic points to follow the movement of vehicles and also as applications must be in pretty soon to avail of funding for this project. Cameras are there to deter rather than catch but if you behave then no need to worry. All welcome.

Mucklagh Tidy Village's Group: would like to thank all who attended the meeting this week. The group will be in contact with residents of the village and surrounding townlands over the coming weeks to ask for your support. You can help in many ways but, as a starting point, could you consider the following small steps to enhance our village – keep an eye on the roadside immediately outside your house, remove litter and weeds; plant colourful flowers in your garden; consider how you can reduce waste and conserve our natural resources – local stores are running promotions on rainwater butts - they are easy to install and will reduce the demand on our mains water supply. Small steps from everyone will yield large returns to the community. Thank you!

Community Games: Best of luck to the u-15 girls soccer team who will be competing in the community games Leinster semi-final and hopefully final this Sunday in Carlow. Also best wishes to our mini-rugby team who will also be hoping to claim gold in Carlow on Sunday. For all the up to date information, check out our facebook page.

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: 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. 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 8,13,15,26. 2 match three winners. Damian Bryant (Kellys) & Stephen Boland (C Healion) win €200 ea. Jackpot €13000 next week & draw in Kelly's.

Results: Hard luck to the U14 hurling team last Saturday against Coolderry. Final score Shamrock's 3-06 Coolderry 7-07. **Senior B Football Championship:** First round of the football championship is on the 8th April against Walsh Island in Geashil at 6.30.