

Rahan Parish

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH and THE ISLAND

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6th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Day of Prayer for Temperance) 14th February 2021

The leper in today's gospel ignored the rule of social distancing as did Jesus. The law forbade any contact with lepers. Jesus was motivated by 'go first to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.' There was no one more despised than the leper. Jesus shows the gospel mission: it's not about introducing a distant God to people. It is saying to people that God is more interested in you than you are in God. If you show any signs of a response through trust and love, as the leper did ('of course I want to') then the interest turns into a relationship that is life-giving. God is nearer than we think! Our belief is anchored on the truth be that 'God loved us first'. (1 John 4:19)

Rahan Parish Webcam Mass: on rahanparish.ie

Sunday 14th 11.00am: Parish Mass and Intentions

Wednesday 17th 7.30pm: Ash Wednesday: Mass & Blessing of Ashes

Sunday 21st 11.00am: Parish Mass

Many thanks to one and all for your great support. Although the office is closed to the public, masses for the Webcam Masses and anyone who needs to get a certificate of any kind can be booked through the office on Wednesdays with Suzanne on 057 9321892 and also text or ring Fr. Martin on 087 9774828.

A Word of Appreciation: A word of thanks and grateful appreciation on my behalf and on behalf of my sister Geraldine and our entire family for the recent very kind and wonderful support during our mother's recent illness and after her death. Mary Carley nee Foxe, RIP, Milltownpass. The many kind messages of huge support is gratefully appreciated by our entire family. Thanks to those who sent mass cards, text messages, condolence messages, those who made phone calls and those who gave floral tributes. The kindness of one and all is deeply appreciated. May Mary rest in peace.

Martin Carley, Rahan

Development 7th February:	Parish of Rahan €251.00
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Adoration: Mucklagh: Continues as usual on Thursdays until further notice from 2.00pm-6.00pm. All are very welcome

Adoration: Killina: On Mondays from 3.00pm-10.00pm. All are very welcome

In Memory: Please remember in your prayers the repose of the souls of **Mary Carley, (nee Foxe)**, Milltownpass, Co. Westmeath (mother of Fr. Martin) who died on the 4th February. Her funeral took place on the 2nd February in the Church of St. Joseph, Milltownpass followed by burial in the local cemetery, **Sr. Aine Walsh**, Presentation Sisters, Rahan, U.S.A, Mullingar & formally Durrow, Tullamore, Co. Offaly who died on the 6th February. Her funeral took place on the 8th February in St. Colmcille's Church, Durrow followed by burial in the adjoining cemetery and **Revd Canon David Hutton-Bury**, Brookfield, Tullamore who died on the 8th February. His funeral has taken place in Tullamore May they rest in peace.

Diocese of Meath Safeguarding Website: www.meathsafeguarding.ie
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Season of Lent: Ash Wednesday: 17th February 2021: Blessed Ashes will be available from the three churches in envelopes on Ash Wednesday. We hope to have Mass for Rahan Parish at 7.30pm on Ash Wednesday via the Webcam from Killina Church

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People: ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024

Mucklagh Community Centre: Lotto: 09/02/2021. Numbers drawn were 1, 10, 20 & 29. No Jackpot Winners. No Match 3 winners. Next Draw Tuesday 16/02/2021. Next Week's Jackpot is €6,600 and Match 3 is €600

Annual Tickets are now on sale, €100 for 52 draws. Tickets can be purchased from Daybreak Mucklagh, Centra Fingerboard, Mucklagh Community Centre or any of our promoters. Why Not give a **Valentines Day, Birthday or Thank You present** of Mucklagh Community Centre Local Lotto. €100 for 52 draws, €50 for 26 draws & €20 for 10 draws. Tickets can be purchased by contacting Mucklagh Community Centre [057 93 56886](tel:0579356886), [086 836 4523](tel:0868364523) or [email: adminmcc@mucklagh.ie](mailto:adminmcc@mucklagh.ie). Postal Service available. Thank You for your Continued Support. The Lotto Team.

Mucklagh Community Centre Meals on Wheels: Mucklagh Community Centre has teamed up with KDA for meals on Wheels. Hot Dinners with a dessert are delivered three times per week on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Cost is €5 per meal. For more information ring [086 836 4523](tel:0868364523) or [057 93 56885](tel:0579356885)

Virtual Dance Classes: Mucklagh Community Centre is running Free Virtual Dance Classes for Children from 8 to 14 years in February. Next class is Tuesday 16 February, 10-11am. A variety of music genres and moves to be covered. Limited number of places. Booking is essential. To book your place email adminmcc@mucklagh.ie. For more information, please ring [057 93 56886](tel:0579356886) or [086 836 4523](tel:0868364523).

Zoom Pilates Classes: Pilates classes will be starting through Zoom on Wednesday morning 17th February. Booking is essential. To book your place email adminmcc@mucklagh.ie. For more information, please ring [057 93 56886](tel:0579356886) or [086 836 4523](tel:0868364523).

Shamrock's Lotto: Lotto: The Shamrock's lotto numbers drawn this week were 3, 27, 30 & 32. There was no jackpot winner. There was one match 3 winner winning €200. Congratulations to Debbie Treacy c/o R. Molloy. Next week's draw takes place on Monday 15th February. Thanks for your continued support.

Sponsorship: Thank you to our two main sponsors for the coming year Baby Moon Baby shop and Spollens Bar. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Fundraiser: Our Senior Footballers and Senior Hurlers are organising a fundraiser, where entrants pick the winner of each major sports competition in 2021. Please contact any member of our football or hurling panels for more information.

Sympathies: Our deepest sympathies to P.P. Fr. Martin on the passing of his mother Mary, the Presentation Sisters and family and friends of Sr. Áine and also to friends and family of Reverend Canon David Hutton Bury.

Candlemas/February Offerings: Will be taken up for the next few weekends. Please use the special envelope in your box for this. If you use another envelope please write your name and address on it so it can be recorded to your envelope number. They can be handed into the parochial houses. As always Thank You for your support and generosity

Lent Prayer for Strength and Guidance: Lord God Almighty, shaper and ruler of all creatures, we pray for your great mercy, that you guide us towards you, for we cannot find our way. And guide us to your will, to the need of our soul, for we cannot do it ourselves. And make our mind steadfast in your will and aware of our soul's need. Strengthen us against the temptations of the devil, and remove from us all lust and every unrighteousness, and shield us against our foes, seen and unseen. Teach us to do your will, that we may inwardly love you before all things with a pure mind. For you are our maker and our redeemer, our help, our comfort, our trust, our hope; praise and glory be to you now and forever.