

RAHAN PARISH COMMUNITY

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

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We all have moments of worry and anxiety. Many people are anxious about the future, planning their lives and stretching forward months and sometimes years. We can worry about finance, about relationships, about the world, our communities. In today's Gospel, Jesus urges us not to worry about material things. We should not be enslaved by possessions. We are asked 'what really rules our lives?' Worry is unproductive. We all know this but that's not very helpful when we are actually anxious about something. Jesus is urging us in today's Gospel to free ourselves of worry. Jesus is not calling us to apathy or a life of carelessness but to realise that nothing was ever achieved by worrying

KILLINA

Sunday 26th 10.30am: Mass for Patrick & Emily Lambe, their son Gussie & their daughters Sr. Pacifique, Sr. Albert And Josie & her husband Pat, Glasshouse, Blueball

Tuesday 28th 7.30pm: Mass for Joseph & Elizabeth Kidney, Cornalaur

Ash Wednesday 7.30pm: **Mass & Blessing & Distribution of Ashes (No Mass in the Convent)**

Friday 3rd 7.30pm: **Mass for all those on the List of the Dead**

Sunday 5th 10.30am: Mass for Michael & Ronnie Grennan, Murrough

THE ISLAND

Saturday 25th 6.00pm: -----

Ash Wednesday 6.00pm:

Mass & Blessing & Distribution of Ashes

for Dan Fogarty & deceased family members, Castletown

Mass for all those on the List of the Dead

Friday 3rd 6.30pm:

Saturday 4th 6.00pm:

Mass for Nora Molloy & deceased family members, Deerpark

MUCKLAGH

Saturday 25th 7.30pm:

Mass for the deceased members of the Grogan Family, Cloonagh

Sunday 26th 9.00am: -----

Sunday 26th 12noon:

Mass for James, Peter & Mary Dempsey, St. O'Hara's

Tuesday 28th 9.00am: -----

Ash Wednesday 10.00am:

Mass & Blessing & Distribution of Ashes (With children of Mucklagh School)

Ash Wednesday 3.00pm:

Ceremony of Confirmation. We welcome Bishop Smith to Our Parish

Ash Wednesday 7.30pm:

Mass & Blessing & Distribution of Ashes

Thursday 2nd 9.00am: -----

Friday 3rd 7.30pm:

Mass for all those on the List of the Dead

Saturday 4th 7.30pm:

Month's Memory Mass for Kathleen Maxwell, Screggan

Sunday 5th 9.00am:

Mass for Patrick Carroll, Kilcormac

Sunday 5th 12noon:

Mass for Colin Dunne, "Woodview", Roscore & his aunt Marie Farrell, Dublin

And also for Geraldine O'Brien, Agall

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 €130.00	The Island €130.00	Mucklagh €630.00
Dev Fund:	Killina & The Island €175.00		Mucklagh €225.00

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 **Senan Aidan O'Reilly**, Meelaghans Cross, Tullamore who was baptised in St. Colman's Church, Mucklagh on the 18th February

Eucharistic Ministers on Duty in The Island for March: 4th Mar: M. Minnock, 11th Mar: A. Minnock, 18th Mar: K. Looby, 25th Mar: G. Minnock

Confessions: Will be held a half an hour before all Masses in the Parish next weekend 4th & 5th March, as we begin the season of Lent

Senior Citizens Party: A very sincere Thank You and Well Done to all the members of Shamrock's GAA for their great hospitality and goodwill in preparing a great day for our Senior Citizens Party. Many thanks also to those who provided the food and Comhaltas Ceolteoiri Eireann for the great entertainment and Killina Presentation Secondary School for the venue

Midlands Simon Community: Would like to express their most sincere thanks and appreciation to you for your help and support with our recent Church Gate Collection held in your Parish.

Churchgate Collection: Rahan Junior Badminton will hold their Churchgate Collection at all Masses on the weekend of 4th & 5th March (Next Weekend). Your support is greatly appreciated

Atlantic Hearing Services: Holds a hearing clinic in Finlay's Pharmacy, Tullamore by appointment. Contact 087 9622244 for more information. Home visits also available. Hearing tests are conducted free of charge

Mucklagh Community Centre: Are now taking bookings for Birthday Parties for more information contact 05793 56886 or 085 1261216.

Mucklagh Community Centre Art Classes: Aileen Kavanagh will be starting up Art Classes in Mucklagh Community Centre. People can get in contact with Aileen on 087 6370171.

Mucklagh Community Centre Social Dancing: Gerry Tynan from Ballinasloe will run two hour Social Dancing classes on Sunday evenings from 3.30pm until 5.30pm in Mucklagh Community Centre. Classes will begin from Mid 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.

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

Mucklagh Community Development: Lotto: draw 21/02/17 numbers drawn 1 ,14 ,20 , 22. No jackpot winner. Three match 3 winner , Oliver Shortall c/o Philip Barron, Daddy & Ann c/o Peter & James Moran, Tom Naughton c/o Alison O' Kelly €50 each. Next week's Jackpot €12,000 and match three win/share €150. Thanks for all the continued support.

Rahan Drama Group: Just three weeks to go now, until we find out what the Rahan Drama Group have spent the last few months doing! The three-act comedy 'It's The Real McCoy' will be staged in Rahan Community Hall on 17th, 18th, and 19th March, at 8.00pm nightly. Tickets will go on sale soon, costing the regular prices of €10 for Adults and €5 for children.

Lenten Retreat: for young adults (18-40). Married life? Priesthood? Single Life? Religious Life? A time of conversation and reflection about how Jesus is calling you. Eucharistic Adoration, Prayer of the Church, Confession, Testimonies, Holy Mass. Saturday 11th March 9.30am-5.00pm, in Dalgan Park, Navan. A donation will cover the cost of lunch and tea breaks. For more information contact Fr. Joe: 086 6036506, John: 087 2478519, Sr. Una: 090 6481666 or email youthretreats@gmail.com

Rahan Community Alert: Once again we remind people to remain alert for anything suspicious and watch out for elderly neighbours, if you do have any problem ring Tullamore Gardai on 057 93 27600. Wrist Monitor alarms and 'bottle in the fridge' are available from Ann on 087 985 1819. Smoke alarms can be had from Offaly Co Co on 057 93 46800. And for good measure it's the same number to Council if you want potholes filled in so get ringing and save your tyres. Thanks.

Grinds: Need grinds for forthcoming exams? Affordable community based grinds in Mucklagh/Rahan area in Maths, Physics, Science with possibility for further subjects, from degree qualified tutors. These sessions start in the coming weeks based on demand. If interested, please contact Martin on 089-7002711

Scoil Charthaigh Naofa: Enrolment for 2017/2018 is now open. You can download your form from the school website or alternatively you can collect one from the school. For more information contact Claire at 057 9355393

Mission: "A preached mission is being given by the Ceili Community from Saturday 4th to 11th March inclusive at St. Brigid's Parish Church, Clara. All welcome"

The Glamorous Buttons and Bows Event is back; This sale of extravagance is taking place in the Tullamore Court Hotel Sunday 5th March 12 – 5pm. Come and browse at the selection of Evening Wear, Mother of the Bride, Jewellery, Shoes, Bags, Accessories etc. Entry is €5 and all proceeds go to Dóchas Offaly Cancer Support Group. Make it a girl's day out!

Shamrock's Notes: Lotto Numbers: The numbers drawn were 22,24,25,27. No Jackpot winner. One match 3 wins €200. Jimmy D & Emmett K (Tullybeg). Draw in Tullybeg next week for a Jackpot of €13,000.

Senior Citizens Party: Thank you to everyone who helped organise everything to make the day a great success and a very enjoyable day for everyone that was there. Thank you to Killina School, Rahan Comhaltas and all the volunteers. It was great to see so many people turn up and enjoy the day.

Results: Junior Football: Shamrock's 0-03 Clara 5-07. **Senior Football:** Shamrock's 1-15 Tubber 0-14

Dates for your Diary 2017:

Confirmation: For 6th Class pupils, Wednesday 1st March at 3.00pm in Mucklagh Church

1st Holy Communion Killina: Saturday 6th May

1st Holy Communion Mucklagh: Saturday 13th May

Cemetery Sunday Mucklagh: Sunday 4th June at 6.00pm

Cemetery Devotions Rahan: Tuesday 15th August at 7.00pm

Tullamore Show: Sunday 13th August 2017

National Ploughing Championships, Screggan: Tuesday 19th, Wednesday 20th & Thursday 21st September 2017