

Rahan Parish

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH and THE ISLAND

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Feast of the Holy Family 26th December 2021

How important it is that every child coming into the world be welcomed by the warmth of a family! External comforts do not matter: Jesus was born in a stable and had a manger as his first cradle, but the love of Mary and of Joseph made him feel the tenderness and beauty of being loved. Children need this: the love of their father and mother. It is this that gives them security and, as they grow, enables them to discover the meaning of life. Mary and Joseph taught Jesus primarily by their example: in his parents he came to know the full beauty of faith, of love for God and for his Law, as well as the demands of justice, which is totally fulfilled in love

KILLINA

Sunday 26th: St. Stephen's Day 10.30am: Mass for Pat, Joseph & Mervyn Guinan, Cappaloughan & David Finnamore, The Mealaghans

Tuesday 28th 6.00pm: Month's Memory Mass for Martin Minnock, Tullybeg. **Please Note: 6.00pm Mass**

Tuesday 28th 7.30pm: -----

Thursday 30th 7.30pm: -----

Sunday 2nd 10.30am: Mass for Violet Lowry, Newtown

THE ISLAND

Sunday 26th: St. Stephen's Day 10.00am: -----

Sunday 2nd 10.00am: -----

MUCKLAGH:

Sunday 26th: St. Stephen's Day 9.00am: -----

Sunday 26th: St. Stephen's Day 12noon: Mass for Breda & Pat Joe Conroy & baby Patrick & the deceased Members of the Conroy family, Ballard

Wednesday 29th 7.30pm: -----

Thursday 30th 9.00am: -----

Friday 31st: New Year's Eve 7.30pm: -----

Saturday 1st: New Year's Day 11.00am: **Parish Mass for World Day of Peace
And The Solemnity of Mary Mother of God** and also
1st Anniversary Mass for Elizabeth (Betsy) Flanagan, Cloonagh West

Sunday 2nd 9.00am: -----

Sunday 2nd 12noon: Mass for Nora Kenaney, Mucklagh

Offertory/Plate 19 th Dec:	Killina: €115.00	The Island: €151.00	Mucklagh: €431.00
Development 19 th Dec:	Killina & The Island: €190.00		Mucklagh: €558.00

Please Note: On New Year's Night 1st January, 2022 which is a Saturday Night, there will be no Vigil Mass for Sunday 2nd January, 2022. Mass will take place on Sunday 2nd January, 2022 in The Island Church at 10.00am & Killina Church at 10.30am & Mucklagh Church at 9.00am & 12noon. A Rahan Parish Mass for World Day of Peace, will take place at 11.00am in Mucklagh Church on New Year's Day, 1st January, 2022. All are very Welcome. Many Thanks to one and all

Adoration: Mucklagh: 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

Adoration: The Island: On Tuesdays from 5.00pm-7.00pm & Saturday after Mass until 8.00pm. All are very welcome

Our Parish Christian Community Welcomes: Danny Tom Egan, Deerpark, Ballycumber who was baptised in The Island Church on the 18th December and Hunter Denis Delaney, Bristol, U. K who was baptised on the 19th December in St. Carthage's Church, Killina

Christmas Offerings: Frs. Martin and Frank would like to thank you most sincerely for your very generous Christmas Offerings and for all the other collections throughout the year. Thanks to one and all.

Mucklagh Church: Volunteers needed for the cleaning and hoovering of Mucklagh Church and well done to all involved at the moment in keeping the church looking so well. Many thanks to one and all. Please contact Aine on 086 0875490 or Margaret on 087 9244379

Christmas Preparations in the Churches: Many thanks to each and every person for the huge dedicated work and great support in the three churches of the Parish of Rahan, inside and outside in preparation for the Christmas Ceremonies. The massive work of one and all is greatly appreciated

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People: ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to 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.

Offaly Volunteers: If you are interested in registering your voluntary organisation or becoming a volunteer contact 083 – 0154669 for more information or register on www.volunteeroffaly.ie

Mary's Meals: WANTED: Your loose change to feed a child in school in the Third World. It only costs €18.30 per school year to feed a child. Buckets for donations are available in Flynn's Centra, The Fingerboard, Hanlon's Butcher's, Tyrrell's Cake Shop and Galvin's for Men, Tullamore. For more information please contact Rose on 087 2393853.

Thank You from Mary's Meals, Offaly

Raffle for Hamper: To support Mary's Meals Offaly. Tickets can be purchased in **Cafe 4 You in the Bridge Centre** or from **Rose on 087 2393853**. Thank You for your support

Mucklagh Community Centre: Lotto: 21/12/2021. Numbers drawn by Clubforce App 2 16 21 & 22. No Match 3 Winner. No jackpot Winner. Next Draw Tuesday December 28th. Jackpot € 7,800 Match 3 €300.

Wishing everyone a Happy and Safe Christmas from all at Mucklagh Community Centre.

Shamrock's Notes: Lotto: Shamrock's lotto numbers this week 8, 14, 28 and bonus 7. No jackpot or match 3 winners. 4 lucky dip winners Elizabeth Sweeney, John Cotter, Damien Bryant and Daybreak each winning €25. Jackpot next week's €17,800 and €500 for match 3.

Happy Christmas: Nollaig Shona Daoibh go léir to all of our supporters, friends and family. We hope you have a safe and enjoyable Christmas.

Prayer for beginning a New Year: Let's end this year with a thankful heart and start the New Year with peace and faith. Let us release the bitterness and frustrations of the past year. Let us move into the next year knowing that God loves us and wants the best for us. Let's pray that the New Year will be focused on healing ourselves through repentance and the renewing of our minds. We were not meant to do life alone! We can bring the light of hope into our own heart, home, and world.

Parish Office Christmas Opening Hours: The Parish Office will be open on Wednesday 29th December from 9am-5.00pm. Thank You

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