

RAHAN PARISH COMMUNITY

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

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Palm Sunday of the Lords Passion 20th March 2016

Today marks the third anniversary of the election on Pope Francis. His papacy has been marked by a focus on openness, forgiveness and mercy – summed up, perhaps, in his oft quoted remark: ‘Who am I to judge?’ So prevalent is his focus on God’s mercy that Pope Francis has declared this Jubilee Year of Mercy – a special year to receive blessing from God and remission of sins.

KILLINA

Palm Sunday 20th 10.30am:

Larry & Nellie Marshall, Loughroe

Tuesday 22nd 7.30pm:

Please note: No Evening Mass

Wednesday 23rd 9.00am:

Mass in the Convent.

Wednesday 23rd 7.00pm:

Chrism Mass in the Cathedral, Mullingar

Holy Thursday 8.00pm:

Mass of the Last Supper. (Bring Trocaire Boxes) Altar of repose until 10.30pm

Good Friday 3.00pm: The Passion of Christ, Veneration of the Cross & Holy Communion (Bring Trocaire Boxes)

Good Friday 7.30pm:

Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday 9.00pm:

Mass of the Resurrection

Easter Sunday 10.30am:

Mass of the Resurrection for Margaret & James Mc Dermott & their son Patrick, Dernanaugh

Feast of the Divine Mercy: April 3rd. Full celebrations in Mucklagh Church starting at 2.45pm with Mass at 3.00pm. The Novena of Chaplets starts on Good Friday. All are very welcome.

THE ISLAND

Saturday 19th 6.00pm: Mass for the deceased members of the Ryan Family, Birr & Sr. Josephine Grimes, Kinnity

Holy Thursday 6.00pm:

Mass of the Last Supper. (Bring Trocaire Boxes) Altar of Repose until 10.30 pm

Good Friday 6.00pm: The Passion of Christ, Veneration of the Cross & Holy Communion (Bring Trocaire Boxes)

Holy Saturday 6.00pm:

Mass of the Resurrection

MUCKLAGH CHURCH

Saturday 19th 7.30pm:

Mass for Paudge Condron, Glaskill & Frances O’ Donoghue, Glaschoill

Palm Sunday 20th 9.00am:

Mass for Patsy White, Screggan & Manchester

Palm Sunday 20th 12noon:

Mass for Rosemary Fletcher, Glaskill

Tuesday 22nd 9.00am:

Wednesday 23rd 7.00pm:

Chrism Mass in the Cathedral, Mullingar

Wednesday 23rd 7.30pm:

Mass for Thomas & Catherine Conlon & baby son Eugene, Adam’s Villas

Holy Thursday 7.30pm:

Mass of the Last Supper for Joseph & Annie Malone, Ballard

(Bring Trocaire Boxes) Altar of repose until 10.30pm. N.B. No Adoration until after the evening Ceremony

Good Friday 3.00pm: The Passion of Christ, Veneration of the Cross & Holy Communion (Bring Trocaire Boxes)

Good Friday 7.30pm:

Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday 7.30pm:

Mass of the Resurrection for Thomas & Elizabeth Mooney, Lynally

Easter Sunday 9.00am:

Mass for The White Family, Screggan & Kevin Carroll

Easter Sunday 12noon:

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.

Confessions & Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Will take place before & after all Masses in our Churches this weekend

Offertory/Plate:

Killina €300.00

The Island €135.00

Mucklagh €752.00

Dev Fund:

Killina & The Island €220.00

Mucklagh €415.00

In Memory: Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of **Sean Whelan**, Monasterevin (brother of Joan Doyle, Blueball) who died on the 8th March. His funeral took place in Monasterevin on the 10th March, **Seamus Flattery**, Moyvore, Westmeath (brother of Mary Minnock, Ballina) who died on the 10th March. His funeral took place on the 12th March in Forgney, **Gabriel Neville**, Lynally who died on the 10th March in St. Carthage Nursing Home. His funeral took place in St. Colman’s Church on the 12th March with burial afterwards in the Old Cemetery, **V. Rev. Laurie Halpin, Retired P.P.**, Kilbeggan who died on the 12th March. His funeral took place in St. James’s Church, Kilbeggan on the 15th March with burial in the Relic Cemetery and **John Hickey**, Cappaloughan (husband of Nan) who died on the 15th March. His funeral took place on the 18th March in St. Carthage’s Church with burial afterwards in Rahan Cemetery. May they rest in peace.

Our Parish Christian Community: **Ella Grace Hughes**, Glaskill, Screggan, **Katie Rose Fox**, Tullamore, **Jack Patrick Hannon**, Fertaun, Screggan and **Jayden Patrick Tierney**, Beechmount Park who were baptised in St. Colman’s Church on the 12th March and **Sienna Noeline Egan Cassidy**, Clara who was baptised in St. Carthage’s Church on the 13th March.

The Programme for Holy Week and Easter Ceremonies: We start **Holy Week with Palm Sunday.**

Palm Sunday: Blessing of Palms & Sacrament of Reconciliation: Confessions will take place before and after all Masses this weekend and we welcome everyone very warmly.

Chrism Mass: The Blessing of the Holy Oils for the coming year takes place in the Cathedral, Mullingar on Wednesday 23rd March at 7.00pm. All are invited, especially those involved in parish ministry and all parishioners are welcome.

Holy Thursday Ceremonies: Mass of The Last Supper of the Lord: The Island 6.00pm, Mucklagh at 7.30pm and Killina at 8.00pm. Prayers and Adoration at the Altars of Repose until 10.30pm in all three Churches.

Trocaire Boxes can be handed in this evening to boxes provided. Many thanks.

Good Friday Ceremonies: The Passion of Christ - Mucklagh at 3.00 pm, Killina at 3.00pm, The Island 6.00pm.

Stations of the Cross at 7.30pm Killina; Stations of the Cross Mucklagh 7.30pm,

† † † **Good Friday is a Day of Fast and Abstinence** † † †

Holy Saturday Night – The Resurrection: The Island at 6.00pm, Mucklagh at 7.30pm, Killina at 9.00pm.

Easter Sunday Masses: As on Sundays: Killina at 10.30am and Mucklagh at 9.00am and 12 noon.

Churchgate Collection: Offaly SPCA will hold a church gate collection this weekend in Mucklagh and Killina.

Commemoration Day: We, the members of Rahan Hall Committee, would like to invite the whole Parish Community, to a Commemorative Ceremony to raise the National Flag, in commemoration of the 1916 Rising, and also reading of the Proclamation, on Sunday 24th April at 5pm, on the green area outside Rahan Community Centre. With Refreshments in the hall afterwards.

Mucklagh Community Development: Lotto: draw 15-03-16 no's drawn 05-15-17-30. No Jackpot winner. Four match three winners €40 each - Shane McLoughlin c/o Darragh Burke, Lorraine Larkin c/o Aidan Larkin, Sarah McIntyre c/o Jacinta Merriman and Tony Fox c/o Paddy Tyrell. Next week's Jackpot €12,000 and Match three win/share €150.

Thanks for all the continued support.

'Buy a Brick' for Mucklagh Community Centre: Anyone who wishes to buy a brick for Mucklagh Community Centre may do so by calling to the centre from Monday to Friday from 9.30am to 12.30pm. Also you can e-mail mucklaghcd@gmail.com, or by phone 086 836 4523, 087 635 5409 or 086 944 8623. Thank you for your continued support.

Rahan Fitness Gym: Spin classes @ Rahan Fitness Gym Wednesday mornings at 10am, Monday and Thursday evenings at 8pm. €3 for morning classes. €5 for evening classes. Contact us on our facebook page rahanfitness or text 0852895726.

Mucklagh Community Development: is holding an Auction in April. We are looking for people to volunteer to help out in different areas, such as collecting of items, helping set up auction area, help on the day, serving refreshments, setting up and selling stalls, baking for cake stall. If you have saleable goods such as Furniture, electrical goods, paintings or services such as photography, beauty, hairdressers, garden centres, plumbers, Restaurants, chefs, Electricians, Rugby tickets, GAA matches tickets, Concert tickets, Videographer for weddings. Wedding cake makers, Milliners or Jewellery makers. Wedding Stationary or Invitations, Please feel free to contact Caroline on 0868364523 or alternatively you can also email your suggestions or comments to mucklaghcd@gmail.com

"The Ballycumber Area Defibrillator Scheme": will hold its **AGM** on Wednesday night (March 22nd) at 8pm in the Ballycumber GAA Centre meeting rooms. All welcome to attend.

Jubilee Year Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: will take place from Sept 12-17 and will be led by Bishop Smith. The fare is €719 for full board and inclusive of insurance and travel taxes. To book contact: Pilgrimages Abroad Ltd, Tel 01-6359300. In recent years many young people (18+) have travelled to Lourdes with the diocese seeking to find out more about this famous Shrine: to lend a hand to the pilgrims who are sick or infirmed, to look for some prayer space in busy lives and still to have a good time! Cost €450. If you are interested in travelling this September please contact email: meathyouth@gmail.com

Roscrea Spring Conference: Theme: On St. Carthage – from Rahan to Lismore via Ros Cre – Mochuda's expulsion or triumphant retreat? On Friday 1st to Sunday 3rd April. Bookings please contact Fr. Kevin Daly O.C.S.O. 0505 25600.

The Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration: invites all Parishioners on a **special Year of Mercy Pilgrimage** to Knock Shrine on **Sunday 24th April**. There is a full programme organised for Adults, Teens and Children. The launch of a National Crusade of Prayer for Vocations will take place at the 3 pm Mass. The programme begins at 11.30am. Bishop Kevin Doran is the chief celebrant and homilist Fr Declan Hurley will give a talk on 'Gazing at the face of Mercy' at 1.30pm in the Basilica.

Shamrock's Notes: Lotto: the numbers were 12,20,26,32. No match 3 winners. €400 for match three next week and jackpot €9200. Draw will take place in Kelly's.

Membership: Any player who has yet to pay their membership must do so by giving it to Registrar, Brian Kearney, or any committee member before they are eligible to play.

Results: Well done to the junior football team on a victory against durrow. Final score shamrocks 2-9 Durrow 1-9.

Fixtures: March 20th Division 2 Hurling League Shamrocks vs Seir Kieran's in Claren at 11.00am