

RAHAN PARISH COMMUNITY

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

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Pentecost Sunday 15th May 2016

This weekend, we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, the birth of the Church of which we are all a part. The first followers of Jesus, his disciples, were not a particularly brave group of people. We might even wonder why he chose them. Most had fled after his arrest and were absent from his crucifixion. Judas had sold him for thirty pieces of silver. Peter, a man of impulse and short-lived passions, who had proclaimed Jesus as the Christ and promised to follow him into the jaws of death, denied ever knowing Jesus at the first sign of trouble. It was not surprising that three days after his crucifixion they were hiding in a locked house for fear of the Jews as we just heard in the Gospel. These were the men hand-picked by Jesus to be his witnesses. If our faith in Church leaders today is shaken or if our personal weakness or doubt overwhelms us, we need only picture the disciples at this moment.

KILLINA

Sunday 15th 10.30am:

Mass for Dinny Kelly, Goldsmith's Lot

Tuesday 17th:

Kindly Note: No Evening Mass

Wednesday 18th:

Mass in the Convent. **Kindly Note: No Morning Mass**

Friday 20th 9.00am:

Sunday 22nd 10.30am:

Mass for William & Peter Byrne, Derrycooley & deceased family members

THE ISLAND

Saturday 14th 6.00pm:

Mass for Frank Hickey, Brockagh

Saturday 21st 6.00pm:

MUCKLAGH CHURCH

Saturday 14th 7.30pm:

Mass for James & Bridget Sheil, Derrynaugh, their daughter in law Kathleen Sheil
And son in law Pat Lacey

Sunday 15th 9.00am:

1st Anniversary Mass for John Conroy, Ross

Sunday 15th 12noon:

Mass for Michael & Mary Fletcher, Glaskill

Tuesday 17th:

Kindly Note: No Morning Mass

Wednesday 18th:

Kindly Note: No Evening Mass

Thursday 19th:

Kindly Note: No Morning Mass

Friday 20th 7.30pm: Mass for Michael Lloyd & his grandparents Paddy & Lily, Adam's Villas & his nephew Mark

Saturday 21st 7.30pm:

Mass for Jim & Margaret O' Neill & their son Donal & son in law Michael Fox
And Billy Scully, St. O' Hara

Sunday 22nd 9.00am:

Mass for Noel Bryant, St. Columba's Place, Tullamore

Sunday 22nd 12noon:

Mass for James, Ctherine & Gerry Daly, Healy Street

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 €118.00	The Island €115.00	Mucklagh €962.00
Dev Fund:	Killina & The Island €265.00		Mucklagh €445.00
Fr. Johnny's Fiji Appeal:	Killina & The Island €1,655.00	Mucklagh €5,187.00	Total to date €6,842.00

Confirmation Sunday 29th May: Please kindly note that the 12noon Mass will now take place at 11.00am on Sunday 29th May. Many thanks to all who are preparing for the Confirmation Mass at 1.00pm and to the Grace family for changing the Mass time. Many thanks to all.

In Memory: Please remember in your prayers the repose of the souls of **Tom Sammon**, Athlone and Ballycumber (brother of Brendan Sammon) who died on the 8th May. His funeral took place 10th May with burial afterwards in Coosan Cemetery, **Stephen McNeill**, Tullamore who died on the 9th May. His funeral took place on the 12th May in Tullamore with burial afterwards in St. Mary's Cemetery, Navan and **Eileen Kelly (nee Guinan)**, Ballydaly Tullamore and formally Roscore (sister of the late Sr. Asumpta Guinan, Roscore) who died on the 11th May. Her funeral took place on the 14th May in Tullamore with burial afterwards in St. Colmcille's Cemetery, Durrow, Tullamore. May they rest in Peace.

1st Holy Communion Killina: Congratulations to the 21 children who received their 1st Holy Communion from Scoil Charthaigh Naofa on the 14th May. Thanks to all who helped especially the school choir, the readers and a special thanks to their class teacher, Ms Molloy, who put endless work into the preparation for this day. Many thanks to all who prepared the Church inside and outside for the 1st Holy Communion Day. Well done to all.

St. Patrick's Missionary Society Kiltegan: A speaker will talk at all weekend Masses on the 21st & 22nd May for a Diocesan Appeal for the work of St. Patrick's Missionary Society. We have been designated this weekend and all the parishes of the Meath Diocese will have the same appeal. Many thanks for your great kindness.

St. Carthage's Day: A procession will take place in honour of St. Carthage and for the feast day of Pentecost, to an Altar outside Killina Church directly after the 10.30am Mass on this Sunday 15th May. Many thanks to those who help with the canopy for the Blessed Sacrament and to the colour party and we invite the children who made their 1st Holy Communion in our two primary schools to take part with their families from the church to the outdoor Altar in the procession.

Killina Convent and School 1817-2017: To mark the bicentenary of the arrival of the Presentation Sisters in Killina, and to acknowledge their enormous contribution to the education and life of the community of Rahan and far beyond, a weekend of celebration will take place at the end of September 2017. Planning for this event is in the very early stages. If you have any ideas for the celebration or if you wish to help out in marking this very important anniversary, you are invited to contact Carthage Minnock at 087 6799177 or by e-mail at carthyminnock@gmail.com.

Mucklagh Community Development: Lotto: draw 10/05/16 no's drawn 5-14-17-21. No Jackpot winner. One match three winner Ger Guinan c/o B.Foster/M.Guinan. Next week's Jackpot €12,000 and Match 3 win/share €150. Thanks for the continued support.

Scoil Charthaigh Naofa Parents Association: Father's Day Bake Sale Saturday 18th June after 6pm Mass in the Island. Anyone wishing to bake or help on the day please contact Teresa on 087274914

Official Confirmation Photographer: will be in Mucklagh Church on the 29th May after 1.00pm Mass. Please contact Teresa on 087 2749147.

Community Games: Well done to our basketball teams, badminton teams, soccer teams and u-10 boys football team who challenged for county honours last week. Congratulations to the u-13 girls indoor soccer team and the mini-rugby team who won their respective county finals and will now progress to represent Offaly in the Leinster games. A reminder that our Athletics day will be held on Sunday 22nd May in Shamrocks GAA pitch, Mucklagh. Registration at 12:45pm and to commence sharply at 1:30pm. Registration fee €2 per child. Please check out our Facebook page for all updates

AGM: Mucklagh Community Development Company Ltd: An AGM will take place on Wednesday May 25th at 8.30pm in Mucklagh Community centre. All Welcome.

The Annual Knights of St Columbanus: St Oliver's Walk, visiting seven beautiful churches in Drogheda, will be held on both Friday May 27th & Saturday May 28th. The Camino style walk starts from Our Lady of Lourdes Church and follows a 3.2km route finishing at St Peter's Church where the National Shrine of St Oliver Plunkett is located. Walkers can complete the walk at their own pace or even over the two days and they will get their Camino style passport stamped at each church. Full details on www.stoliverswalk.com

Mucklagh Schoolboys/Girls: 7 aside Soccer Tournament on Saturday May 21st in the Harriers. Registration at 12.30pm - €10 per person or €100 per team whichever is cheapest. Will not clash with FA cup final. Contact David 086 1053122 for further details.

Shamrock's Notes: Lotto: The numbers drawn were 5,6,15,28. 1x Match 3 receives €200. Aislinn Mollin (A Mollin). Jackpot €10,800 next week. Draw in Kelly's Roadhouse. **Ploughing Championship:** The club is considering doing the parking at this year's Ploughing Championships which means we are looking for volunteers to help out over the three days. If you are interested in helping out on any of the three days please call or text us on 0877993869. All assistance is greatly appreciated. **Results:** Hard luck to the Minor Football team who lost against St. Vincent's in the play offs last Friday night. Congratulations to the Killina Junior hurlers on winning the Leinster Junior C hurling last Monday. Well done to everyone involved. Great achievement. Killina 3-16 St Colmcilles 0-13. A promising start to the u11/u12 football season this evening against Tullamore. U11s came from 2 points down at half time to win a tight game Shamrock's 2:5 - Tullamore 1:5. U12s went behind early but fought back in the second half. Ran out of time to pull back the half time deficit. Final score Tullamore 6:5 - Shamrocks 4:5. With a panel of 37 players this age group will be one to watch. **Fixtures:** Monday 16th U16 Hurling Championship Shamrocks vs Ballinamere in Rahan at 7.30pm. Tuesday 17th Buggy Coaches Senior Football League Shamrock's vs Ballycommon in Ballycommon at 8pm. Wednesday 18th Buggy Coaches Junior Football League Shamrock's vs Kilclonfort in Kilclonfort at 8pm. U12 Hurling Go Games Shamrocks vs Seir Kieran in Rahan at 7.30pm. Friday 20th U14 Hurling Competition Shamrocks vs Ballinmere/Durrow in Rahan at 7.30pm. Molloy Environmental System Junior A Hurling Championship Shamrock's vs Clodiagh Gaels in Mucklagh at 7.45

Dates to keep in mind for 2016:

Confirmation: Mucklagh: Sunday 29th May at 1.00pm in St. Colman's Church

Cemetery Devotions: Mucklagh: Sunday 5th June at 6.00pm **Rahan Cemetery:** Monday 15th August at 7.00pm and

Killickfehan Cemetery: Saturday 20th August at 7.00pm (no 6.00pm Mass in The Island Church)

Tullamore Show: Sunday 14th August

National Ploughing Championships: Screggan – Tuesday 20th –Thursday 22nd September