

RAHAN PARISH COMMUNITY

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

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The Ascension of the Lord (World Communications Day) 8th May 2016

As well as the feast of the Ascension today is World Communications Day 2016. This year's theme is 'Communication and Mercy: A Fruitful Encounter'. The theme was chosen to coincide with the Holy Year of Mercy called by Pope Francis to highlight the mercy of God. In his message for the 50th World Communications Day, Pope Francis talks about how our every word and gesture should express God's compassion, tenderness and forgiveness.

KILLINA

Sunday 8th 10.30am: -----

Tuesday 10th 7.30pm: -----

Wednesday 11th 9.00am: -----

Mass in the Convent.

Friday 13th 9.00am: -----

Saturday 14th 11.00am: -----

1st Holy Communion Ceremony, Scoil Charthaigh Naofa

Sunday 15th 10.30am: -----

Mass for Dinny Kelly, Goldsmith's Lot

THE ISLAND

Saturday 7th 6.00pm: -----

Mass for Joe & Mary Heaton & the deceased members of the Heaton Family, Kilpatrick

Saturday 14th 6.00pm: -----

Mass for Frank Hickey, Brockagh

MUCKLAGH CHURCH

Saturday 7th 7.30pm: -----

Mass for Mary Fahey, Charleville Road, her husband Paddy, daughter Breda
And her sister Anne Crowley

Sunday 8th 9.00am: -----

Sunday 8th 12noon: -----

1st Anniversary Mass for Michael Walsh, Screggan
And also for Bridget & Anthony Flanagan, Roscore

Tuesday 10th 9.00am: -----

Wednesday 11th 7.30pm: -----

Mass for Martin & Maureen O' Dwyer, Tipperary

Thursday 12th 9.00am: -----

Friday 13th 7.30pm: -----

Mass for William Healion, Ross Road & his parents Johnny & Mary

Saturday 14th 7.30pm: -----

Sunday 15th 9.00am: -----

1st Anniversary Mass for John Conroy, Ross

Sunday 15th 12noon: -----

Mass for Michael & Mary Fletcher, Glaskill

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 €230.00	The Island €135.00	Mucklagh €681.00
Dev Fund:	Killina & The Island €165.00		Mucklagh €760.00
Troaire Extra:	Killina & The Island €00.00	Mucklagh €100.00	Total to date: €5,014.00
Ukraine Collection:	Killina & The Island €515.00	Mucklagh €1,140.00	Total €1,655.00
Fr. Johnny's Fiji Appeal:	Killina & The Island €1,635.00	Mucklagh €4,337.00	Total to date €5,972.00

In Memory: Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of **Mary O' Meara, nee Corrigan**, Killina, (wife of Benny O' Meara) who died on the 29th April. Her funeral took place on the 1st May in Killina Church with burial in Rahan Cemetery. May she rest in peace.

Our Parish Christian Community: Welcomes **Niall Thomas Moran**, Bohernagrisna who was baptised in The Island Church on the 30th April, **Rian Thomas Finnerty**, Tullabeg who was baptised in Killina Church on the 30th April and **Ronan Aidan Liggan**, Carrickmacross, Co. Monaghan who was baptised in Killina Church on the 1st May.

Fr. Johnny McEvoy Fiji Cyclone Appeal: A Special Collection took place at the three churches of the parish last weekend. A total of €5,972.00 has been raised to date. A huge word of thanks to all and well done.

Eucharistic Ministers on Duty in Mucklagh for May: Saturday 7.30pm Mass: 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th May Kathleen Kenaney & Tony Reynolds. Sunday 9.00am Mass: B. O' Mahoney & M. White. Sunday 12noon Mass: Eileen Byrne, Maura Dolan & Sean Heaney.

Holy Father's Collection for Ukraine: A collection took place in the three churches of the parish for the Holy Father's Appeal. A total of €1,655.00 was collected. Many thanks for the great generosity of all involved.

1st Holy Communion Mucklagh: Congratulations to the 22 children who received their 1st Holy Communion from St. Colman's National School today 7th 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.

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 family for the Mass Intention, for accommodating us to change the time to 11.00am Mass. Many thanks to all.

Fr. Frank Guinan Golden Jubilee of Ordination: A meeting will take place in the meeting room of Mucklagh Church on Wednesday 11th May after the 7.30pm Mass to plan for some celebrations. All are very welcome to attend.

Mucklagh Community Development: Lotto: draw 03/05/16 no's drawn 03-08-14-28. No jackpot winner. One Match 3 winner €150 Ann McIntyre c/o Paddy Tyrell. Next week's jackpot €12,000 and Match 3 win/share €150. Thanks for all 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 1st Communion Photographer: will be in Killina Secondary School on 14th May to take your special snaps on the day. To book your place please contact Teresa on 087 2749147

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

Rahan Drama Group: Anyone interested in ordering a DVD of the recent play, 'My Wife's Family', can do so, by contacting Aidan Grennan, on 087 3153434. The cost is €6.

Mucklagh Community Development Auction: The first event organised by Mucklagh Community Development in the New Community Centre was an enormous Success. The local community got behind the auction from the start by donating goods, vouchers, services and the whole of the parish baked for our home baking stand. At meeting on Tuesday it was confirmed that €14,000 was raised for the auction for Mucklagh Community Centre. As there was so many people involved it would be impossible to thank everyone individually. We would like to thank everyone who donated goods, the people who baked for the auction, the people who purchased goods, in particular we would like to thank all volunteers who worked tirelessly, not only on the day but in the weeks leading up to the auction.

Community Games: Well done to all the children who took part in the draughts competition last weekend. The u-10 team will progress to represent Offaly in the Leinster phase. Best of luck to all our basketball teams, badminton teams, soccer teams, u-10 boys football team and mini-rugby team who will challenge for county honours in the coming days and weeks. A reminder that our Athletics day will be held on Sunday 22nd May in Shamrocks GAA pitch, Mucklagh (Time to be confirmed). 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.

Offaly Cancer Support Group: A ten week Bereavement Support Programme will commence with an information evening on 11th May 2016 at our centre in Offaly St. Tullamore. The programme is open to adults who have been bereaved through cancer. There is no fee for this programme. For more information contact Offaly Cancer Support Group on 057 86 28268 email: info@dochasoffaly.ie

Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Rome: August 19th-27th 2016. Led by Bishop Michael Smith. Reservations to Mullingar Travel, Austin Friar Street, Mullingar, or contact 044 9340587.

Jubilee Year of Mercy Diocesan Pilgrimage To Lourdes: will take place from September 12th-17th 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

St. Patrick's College Maynooth: Diploma in Pastoral Theology and Masters Degree in Pastoral Theology and Diploma in Catholic Education. Please contact 01 7083497 for enrolment.

Shamrock's Notes: Lotto: The numbers drawn were 6,8,19,27. 2 x Match 3's receive €100 each. Willie McCourt (Tullybeg) & Cillian Lambe (E Yeates). Jackpot €10,600 next week. Draw in Tullybeg. **Fixtures:** Wednesday 11th Division 3 Hurling League Shamrock's vs Shinrone in Shinrone at 7.30pm. Friday 13th Buggy Coaches Senior Football League Shamrocks vs Clara in Clara at 7.30pm. Saturday 14th Buggy Coaches Junior Football League Shamrock's vs Tullamore in Mucklagh at 6.30pm. **Results:** Hard luck to the Junior Footballers who lost against Ballinagar last Thursday. Final score Shamrocks 0-14 Ballinagar 2-10. Well done to the Junior Hurling team who beat K/K in the League last Saturday. Final score Shamrocks 2-11 K/K 0-09. Hard luck to the Senior Football team who lost against Cappincur last Tuesday night in the League. Final score Shamrock's 0-09 Cappincur 1-12.

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