

Rahan Parish

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH and THE ISLAND

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The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 15th August 2021

'Only God could say what this new spirit gradually forming within you will be. Give Our Lord the benefit of believing that his hand is leading you, and accept the anxiety of feeling yourself in suspense and incomplete.' This poem comes to mind as I think about today's celebration of the Feast of the Assumption, when we recall Mary's role in the life of Jesus and in salvation. In our Gospel extract we meet Mary, pregnant and celebrating with her relative Elizabeth. Given the circumstances, it would be understandable if she was unsure and fearful. Her future is uncertain, as is that of her soon-to-be born son. She cannot yet comprehend the enormity of what is to come. But Mary seems content to wait. When Elizabeth proclaims Mary as 'blessed', Mary bursts into prayer, praising God for his greatness and for 'looking upon his lowly handmaid'.

KILLINA

Sunday 15th 10.30am: Mass for the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
and for Tom & Mary Bridget Looby, Derrycooley & also for Bernadette Claffey, Ballydrohid, Tullamore

Tuesday 17th 7.30pm: -----

Thursday 19th 7.30pm: -----

Sunday 22nd 10.30am: -----

THE ISLAND

Saturday 14th 6.00pm: Mass for the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday 21st 6.00pm: Mass for David & Mary Conroy & their sons Fr. David & Stephen, Deerpark

MUCKLAGH:

Saturday 14th 7.30pm: Mass for the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

For Jacinta (Gerry) Flaherty, Cloonagh

And Month's Memory Mass for Baby Kai Gavin Dunne, "Duinn Breathnach", Mucklagh

Sunday 15th 9.00am: Mass for the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sunday 15th 12noon: Mass for the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday 18th 7.30pm: Mass for Frank & David O' Flaherty, Rahan Road, Tullamore

Thursday 19th 9.00am: -----

Friday 20th 7.30pm: Mass for Sean & Julia O' Kelly & family, Bunatarn

Saturday 21st 7.30pm: -----

Sunday 22nd 9.00am: Mass for Patsy Murphy, Coologue, Fivealley, Birr

Sunday 22nd 12noon: -----

Offertory/Plate:	Killina: €146.00	The Island: €112.00	Mucklagh: €401.00
Development:	Killina & The Island: €157.00		Mucklagh: €415.00

Tax Rebate Forms: Forms can be handed into the parochial houses as soon as possible. Many thanks for your huge kindness and generosity

Our Parish Christian Community: Welcomes **Fiadh Blaitnaid Mc Courtney**, Beechmount Park who was baptised in St. Colman's Church, Mucklagh on the 7th August

Wedding Bells: Congratulations to **Dylan Kelly**, Castletown, The Island and **Shannon Mulpeter**, Clonshanny who were married in St. Carthage's Church, Killina on the 5th August. We wish them long and happy lives together

Adoration: Mucklagh: Continues as usual 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

Rahan Cemetery Devotions: The cemetery devotions which usually would take place on the 15th August will not take place at the moment due to current restrictions and the dangers of large gatherings during this time of Covid-19. Many thanks to all who keep Rahan Cemetery looking so well. Your great work is greatly appreciated

Killickfeehan Cemetery Devotions: The cemetery devotions which usually would take place in August will not take place at the moment due to current restrictions and the dangers of large gatherings during this time of Covid-19. Many thanks to all who keep Killickfeehan Cemetery looking so well. Your great work is greatly appreciated

Offaly Hospice: Please support Offaly Hospice Charity Shop, Offaly St, Tullamore our shop is open Tuesday to Saturday 10.30am to 4.30pm. All donations of Ladies, Gents and Children's Clothes & Shoes along with Bric a Brac welcome. Contact Chris on the Offaly Hospice Shop phone number 083 0994754 for further information.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People: ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of 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 U20 Footballers: Every good wish to Sean, Kieran, Jack & Oisín from the Parish of Rahan and all of the U20 Footballers in the All Ireland Final against Roscommon on Sunday 15th August in Croke Park. We wish you every success on the day and for the future

Appeal for Volunteers: The committee of the Killina Presentation Resource Centre, based at the former convent, is seeking new members and volunteers who would be willing to help out with gardening, painting, cleaning etc. Great progress has been made to date but more support is needed to create a community centre we can all be proud of. Please contact killinacentre@gmail.com if you would like to get involved.

Mucklagh Community Centre: Lotto: 10/08/2021. Numbers drawn by Clubforce were 14, 15, 24 & 29. No Jackpot Winners. No Match 3 Winners. Next Draw Tuesday August 17th in Mucklagh Community Centre. Jackpot €4,000 Match 3 €300. Thank You for your Continued Support. The Lotto Team.

Shamrock's Notes: Lotto: The Shamrock's lotto numbers drawn were 9, 11, 13, 32. There was no jackpot winner. There was one match 3 winner winning €600. **Congratulations to:** Michael Hickey c/o J. Hennessy. Next week's draw takes place on 16th August for a jackpot of €1500. and €200 for a match.

Offaly u20 Footballers: The very best of luck to Sean, Kieran, Jack and all of the Offaly u20 footballers in the All Ireland final against Roscommon on Sunday in Croke Park. We hope to see a huge crowd there cheering on the lads but also, we would ask you to decorate the parish in Offaly colours to show your support.

Division 1 Football League: Hard luck to our Division 1 footballers who were narrowly beaten by Ferbane on Friday evening in horrendous conditions. Attention now turns to the Championship on Saturday week where they will face Tullamore in the first round.

Division 4 Hurling League Final: Hard luck to our Division 4 hurlers who were beaten on Sunday evening against Carrig & Riverstown on a final score line of 2-19 to 3-18.

U15B 2020 Championship: Well done to the U15 hurlers who beat CRC Gaels 3-12 to 2-12. A brilliant result for Shamrocks who put on a fantastic display of hurling against a strong CRC Gaels team. Every player was outstanding and their willingness to work for each other was the difference between the two sides. Next up is a final on Wednesday against Kinnitty/Lusmogh in Mountbolus at 7pm.

Last Man Standing: Shamrock's are starting a Last Man Standing competition which begins on Friday. For more information, contact Eoin on 0857409463 or check the Shamrock's GAA page on Twitter or Facebook.