



Rahan Parish

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2nd Sunday of Advent 4th December 2022.



Killina: Sun 4th: Mass 10.30am: Joe Minnock, Derrysesker, m.m.

Joseph and Mary Cantwell

Tues 6th: Mass at 7.30pm: Pat and Rose Molloy, Cornalaur

Thursday 8th: Mass at 9.30am: Feast of Immaculate Conception (Holy Day)

Sunday 11th: Mass at 10.30am: Intentions of the Sick

The Island: Sat 3rd: Mass 6.00pm: Dec of the Kennedy & Fallon families, Clonshanny

Thursday 8th: Mass at 6.30pm: Feast of Immaculate Conception (Holy Day)

Saturday 10th: Mass at 6.00pm: Joseph and Elizabeth Daly, their daughter Kathleen and her husband John, Ballina and Dan and Annie Clavin and daughter Margaret

Mucklagh: Sat 3rd: Mass at 7.30pm: Paddy & Carmel Reynolds, Ballard & dec members of the Reynolds and Derham families, Bernie O' Connor (nee Condron), Canada, her father Paudge & her sister Joan, Glaskill Avenue, Con Dunne, Roscore & dec relatives

Sunday 4th: Mass at 9.00am: Intentions of Parishioners

Sun 4th: Mass at 12noon: Gerry and Eileen Murray, Margaret Murphy, Charleville View

Wed 7th: Mass at 7.30pm: John O' Donoghue, Lynally Grove, Una and Paddy Murtagh,

Rahan Rd, and Ann and Howard Tourtellotte, New York

Thur 8th: Mass at 7.30pm: Feast of the Immaculate Conception (Holy Day)

John, Margaret & Richard Larkin & the Bonney family Ross

Friday 9th: Mass at 7.30pm: Annie Fletcher, Glaskill 1st Anniversary

Saturday 10th: Mass at 7.30pm: Sean Healion & his parents Joe and Ellen, Spollenstown

& Pat, Joseph & Mervyn Guinan, Cappaloughan & David Finnamore, The Meelahans,

Julia Guinan Leonard & husband Peter, Ballinasragh & dec members of the Guinan family

Sunday 11th: Mass at 9.00am: Ann and Bill Coonan, Beechmount Park

Sunday 11th: Mass at 12noon: Michael and Ellen Clavin, Lynally

Offertory/Plate: Killina €345 The Island €250 Mucklagh €972

Development: Killina and The Island €350 Mucklagh €618

Adoration: Mucklagh: Thursdays 2pm-6pm **Killina:** Mondays 3pm-10pm

Adoration: The Island: Tue 5pm-7pm & Saturday after Mass until 8pm

RIP: Sean Dolan, Adam's Villas and Ian Flanagan, New Zealand

Mass of Healing and Anointing: will be celebrated on Friday 9th December at 7.30pm in Mucklagh church. At the Mass the Sacrament of Anointing will be available to all who wish to avail of it. The Sacrament of Anointing is a great source of healing for all sickness and ailments of mind, body soul or spirit and healing for all experiencing stress, bereavement and sadness in any way.

Advent thoughts: God has no phone, but I talk to him. He has no facebook, but He is still my friend. He does not have twitter, but I still follow Him.

Rahan Hall Christmas Variety Concert on Sun 4th December at 3pm. Lots of local choirs and local groups participating. **Admission 5 euro.** **Santa** will be present with gifts for all children Tea & coffee served. All Buns & cakes welcome.

Christmas Mass Bouquet Cards now available in Parish Office & Sacristies of our churches. Suggested donation €5 per card – All will be remembered at Christmas masses

Shamrock's Lotto: 19, 23, 27. Bonus number 8. Next week €25,000

Mucklagh Community Centre: Lotto: 1, 10, 13 & 19. Next week €3,000

Parish Penance Service: Our Parish Penance Service for Christmas will take place on Friday 16th December in Mucklagh Church at 7.30pm A number of visiting priests will be available for confessions.

Christmas Eve: In addition to our usual Christmas Mass schedule we are suggesting an additional Special Mass for children and families on Christmas Eve at 4pm in Mucklagh Church. All help with organising same appreciated and for which there will be a Planning Meeting on Wednesday next at 8.15pm in Mucklagh church

Christmas Offerings: Christmas Eve and Christmas Day are Offering Days for the support of the priests of the parish. Offering Envelopes available at back of church or in yearly box of envelopes. Thanks to everybody for their support and generosity during the year.

We look forward to our Senior Citizen's Christmas Dinner organised by Mucklagh Community Centre, Shamrock's GAA and Rahan Hall Committees which takes place on Sunday 11th December in Mucklagh Community Centre at 2pm. We need names of those attending/not attending by Monday 5th Contact Centre 057 9356886

Parish Draw: Our annual parish Christmas draw takes place on Sunday 18th December in Rahan Hall at 7.00pm. The usual prizes of €500, €300, €200, €100, 5 Turkeys, 5 Hams, 5 bottles of Brandy, 5 bottles of Whiskey, 5 Christmas cakes and lots of other donated prizes will be available. Many thanks to everybody for your support and we rely as always on the area distributors to hand in 2 draw tickets to each household. Each line is 2 euro or a card for 10 euro.

Today's Gospel: The Straight Way Before the motorways a journey took ages, with twists and turns, corners and hills. Now much has been made straight. John's message was that we would live along a path where words and actions match, and where kindness matches convictions. John the Baptist was a man on one mission – to be the messenger of the one he did not know. His life had a vision and a purpose, like when we are really committed to people or to causes or to the poor or to peace in the world. John was the man of desert food and desert dress; he took time out to find what the biggest thing in life was and then kept following it, often not knowing where it would go. The human heart is complicated and we know that. We need that one who will touch our hearts with love and forgiveness and guide us himself in ways that are straight, and whose hand will guide us along straight paths when we need it. God's guiding is gentle. John found that Jesus was a gentler guide: no name-calling, no bringing the axe to the tree, but calling each of us his friend, and nourishing the tree rather than cutting it down. Jesus would melt the snow to make a path, not hack at it and destroy in the process. Our hearts can be melted by the love of God and love of others. Think of or remember a time when you made a decision to follow the way of Jesus. Offer this to him again. Lord God, make our hearts like you

St. Vincent De Paul Christmas Appeal: The Annual Church Gate

Collection for the Society will take place after all Masses on this Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th December. You have been very generous in the past and we sincerely thank you for your support. All donations are greatly appreciated.



This weekend marks the second Sunday of Advent. Things we might do for Advent; Go to daily Mass. Go to Confession. Visit the elderly. Give an hour to Eucharistic Adoration.

We hope to have the webcam installed in the Island Church for this Saturday night



