

Rahan Parish
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 4th Sunday of Easter 30th April 2023



Killina Sun 30th 10.30am Ann Foran Cappaloughan 1st Anniv.

Tues 2nd: 7.30pm: Intentions of all who are ill

Thursday 4th: 7.30pm: Intentions of all recently bereaved.

Friday 5th: 9am First Friday Feast of Blessed Edmund Rice **For Lists of Dead**

Sunday 7th: 10.30am Eileen and Dinny Kelly Goldsmith Lot

The Island: Saturday 29th: 6pm: Pe and Kit Daly and their Grandchildren Catriona and Edwin White and deceased relatives Deceased of Offaly Comhaltas

Friday 5th: 6pm First Friday Feast of Blessed Edmund Rice **For Lists of Dead**

Saturday 6th: 6pm Lists of the Dead

Mucklagh: Saturday 29th: 7.30pm .Louis Maher m.m

Sunday 30th : 9am Intentions of Parishioners and friends

Sunday 30th : 12 noon: Joe, Margaret and Karl Mc Gee and deceased relatives

Monday 1st May St Joseph the Worker Mass for Vocations to Religious Life

Wednesday 3rd 7.30pm World Press Freedom Day

Thurs 4th : 9am Mass Intentions of all who are ill

Friday 5th : 7.30pm First Friday Feast of Blessed Edmund Rice for Lists of Dead

Saturday 6th : 7.30pm Michael and Mary Galvin Cloonagh

Sunday 7th: 9am Deceased members of The Larkin Family St Colman's Terrace and Kathleen White Screggan

Sunday 7th: 12 noon Michael Walsh Anniv. Anne Craven & Deceased members of the Craven Family Mucklagh

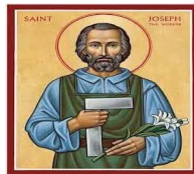
Offertory/Plate: Killina €420 The Island €175 Mucklagh €1,025

Development: Killina and The Island €183 Mucklagh €397

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

Adoration: The Island: Tue 3pm—8 pm and Saturday after Mass

Pray for Joe Neville Lynally, RIP



Vocations Sunday is celebrated this weekend. A special day of prayer and financial support for those preparing and studying for priesthood and religious life. **The Second Collection as people leave Mass this Sunday will go towards their support, education and upkeep.** Please be as generous as you can. "Vocations are born in

prayer and only in prayer can they persevere and bear fruit" "Dear young people do not bury your talents, the gifts God has given you. Do not be afraid to dream great things." Pope Francis.

Prayer for Vocations God our Father, send workers into your harvest. May the Spirit we received in baptism Touch the hearts of many to offer themselves in priesthood, religious life and other forms of service. Give the parents and families of our diocese the wisdom and courage to support young people In searching for and following the call of God in their lives

Monday is the 1st of May Feast of St Joseph the Worker Please note Mass at 10am in Mucklagh will be offered for vocations to priesthood and Religious Life and that our Lord will bless us all in our own vocations to Come and Follow Him

First Friday Calls to the sick and housebound will take place on Wednesday in the Island , on Thursday in Rahan and on Friday in Mucklagh . If anyone wants a visit at home, in hospital or in a nursing home please contact either Fr Michael or Fr Frank

Shamrock's Lotto: 3, 7, 15. Bonus number 3. Next week €13,000.

Mucklagh Community Centre: Lotto: 3, 17, 22 & 23. Next week €4,400

Today's Gospel: The Good Shepherd. What does it mean to be the Good Shepherd? Jesus explains it to us with convincing clearness. The shepherd knows his sheep and the sheep know him. How wonderful and consoling it is to know that Jesus knows us one by one; that for him we are not anonymous persons; that our name - that name which is agreed upon by loving parents and friends - is known to him! For Jesus we are not a "mass", a "multitude"! We are individual "persons" with an eternal value, both as creatures and as redeemed persons. He knows us. He knows me and loves me and gave himself for me. Jesus wants everyone to be a "good shepherd". Every Christian by virtue of baptism, is called to be himself a "good shepherd" in the environment in which he lives. You parents must exercise the functions of the Good Shepherd with regard to your children; and you, too, children, must be edifying with your love, your obedience, and above all with your courageous and consistent faith. Also the mutual relations between husband and wife must be marked by the example of the Good Shepherd, in order that family life may always have that nobility of sentiments and ideals willed by the Creator, because of which the family has been defined the "domestic Church", So also at school, at work, in playgrounds and places of leisure, in hospitals and where people are suffering, let everyone always try to be a "good shepherd" like Jesus.



Rahan Parish Golf Classic: in both Tullamore and Esker Hills Golf Clubs on **Friday 16th June 2023** to raise funds for our Parish.

Team of 4 €200 which includes food on the course. We are seeking sponsorship from businesses and households. **Main Sponsor/s are €500** which will include a team entry names of which we need as soon as possible so as to be included on all literature promoting the golf classic. Thanks to Phil O Reilly Undertakers, NIS Ltd and Supermacs who

have already offered main sponsorship. However additional main sponsors are still invited and welcome. **Sponsorships of Tee Box is €50 and of a Green is €100 . Sponsorship Envelopes, Letters inviting sponsorship and Invitation Letters for teams are available at back of all of our churches and Time Sheets are now open .** To book a time for Tullamore Contact Paddy Guinan 086 8282741 or Esker Hills contact Gerry Buckley 087 9290722 We encourage all parishioners, friends of our parish and natives of the parish to support and participate in whatever way you can and make the Golf Classic a great social and financial success . Many Thanks Fr Michael and Fr Frank



Pieta House, Darkness into Light Saturday next 6th May 4.15am. We will assemble at gates of Mucklagh Old Cemetery and walk to Screggan Cross and back. Cup of Tea afterwards in Community Center. All support of stewards ,musicians and singers welcome.to set up along the route to encourage people as they walk. We encourage households along the route to light candles outside of homes

Offaly Fleadh in Killina this Sunday 30th. We welcome all visitors to our parish for all competitions in the Secondary school

Thanks to all who have returned **Trocaire monies.** Amount received **€5,990 to date** Remaining can be returned as soon as possible



May Devotions: Why not set up a May altar at home with children grandchildren and family members to include item like a statue of Our Lady , Rosary beads, a candle ,May flowers We encourage people to pray the Rosary for the month of May. If families and /or neighbors want to gather for the Rosary during May Fr Michael and Fr Frank will gladly join them . No fuss just a cup of tea and a biscuit .Contact either priest to arrange same