

Happy Easter
Resurrection Day

REJOICE

For He Is
Risen!



Rahan Parish
Fr. Michael PP 087-2900844
Fr. Frank 057 9378181. Mucklagh
Parish Secretary 057 93 78181. Wed 9:30am-5:30pm
Easter Sunday 9th April 2023

Killina

Holy Saturday 8th 7.30pm Celebration of Easter Vigil & Our Lord's Resurrection

Easter Sunday 9th : 10.30 am Mass Our Lord's Resurrection Joe Craven

Tuesday 11th: 7.30pm: Josie Guinan, his wife Julia & deceased relatives

Thursday 13th: 7.30pm: Intentions of Parishioners

Divine Mercy Sunday 10.30am Mass Sr. Oliver Wrafter 1st Anniv

The Island:

Holy Saturday 8th: 6pm Celebration of Easter Vigil Paddy Daly 1st Anniv & his parents Patrick and Mary, John & Agnes Sammon & daughters Nuala and Deirdre Clonshanny

Saturday 15th: 6pm Joe Sammon and deceased family relatives Brockagh

Mucklagh:

Holy Saturday 8th: 7.30pm Celebration of Easter Vigil & Our Lord's Resurrection

Easter Sunday: 6am Outdoor Dawn Mass Our Lord's Resurrection

Easter Sunday 9th: 9am Mass of Our Lord's Resurrection The White family Screggan

Easter Sunday 9th: 12noon Mass of Our Lord's Resurrection Terry Kelly m.m .

Eileen Lucey Mucklagh, Paddy and Eileen Bracken, Roscore, Blueball

Wednesday 12th: 7.30pm Damien Flaherty Screggan

Friday 14th: 7.30pm Paddy Kubacki St Colman's Terrace, Bidy Ward

Saturday 15th: 7.30pm Isaac and Brigid Bryant Cloonagh

Divine Mercy Sunday: 9am Molly Carroll , Derrick Dunne, Judy Carroll

Divine Mercy Sunday: 12noon Kevin Smyth Charleville View

Offertory/Plate: Killina €203 The Island €108 Mucklagh €990

Development: Killina and The Island €366 Mucklagh €568

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

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

Easter Maas Bouquets available at our 3 churches after weekend or daily masses or from either priest or Mucklagh Parochial House during the week. A lovely Easter gift.

TROCAIRE Dates for your Diary: Mucklagh Cemetery Sunday 11th June Mass at 6pm.

Rahan Cemetery Tuesday 15th August Mass at 7pm.

Killickfeehan Cemetery Saturday 26th August Mass at 7pm

Working for a Just World

Trocaire Lenten Campaign Contributions to Trocaire can be returned to Churches or Mucklagh Parochial House. Those in poorer countries of the world need our support to have basic necessities of water, food, clothing, shelter to survive. We encourage each individual and households to give what you can to Trocaire's Lenten Appeal. We give simply so that others may simply live .

Holy Water on Easter Sunday: The new water of Easter will be blessed during the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday. We ordered 400 portable bottles so that you can take holy water home this Sunday. They remind us of the link between the new water of Easter and the life of grace into which we are reborn by our baptism.



Divine Mercy Novena starts Good Friday and continues to Divine Mercy Sunday. (the First Sunday after Easter) Devotions in Mucklagh church.

Confessions from 2.30 pm. **Mass** at 3pm

Easter Offerings for the support of the Priests due this weekend. Please use envelope from box of envelopes or an ordinary envelope and mark "Easter Offerings" with your name on it

Shamrock's Lotto: 2, 11,26 Bonus number 10 Next week €12,400.

Mucklagh Community Centre: Lotto: 6, 16, 17 & 26. Next week €3,800



Today's Gospel: Easter Sunday: Today's Gospel: Easter Sunday In today's Gospel Mary Magdalen is highlighted as the woman who is the first witness of the resurrection. Mary and the two disciples must have been very confused and upset as they tried to understand what had happened to Jesus' body. Reading

this story can bring many emotions for us: fear and confusion at death, or even a feeling of euphoria and joy at the realisation that death is not the end. If we have lost a loved one, we might feel comforted in the knowledge that we will be reunited with them once more. Jesus comes into situations of despair, disappointment and doubt and, as with Mary after this incident, comes in the form of a stranger, gently calling her name. The Risen Lord seems to meet us in familiar territory, where we least expect it. We might ask the Lord today for the strength and courage to allow him to break into our lives once more, to help us to be free of whatever it is that causes 'death' in our lives, to help us to let go, to be open to recognising him in our most painful moments and in the most familiar places. 'God of openness, of life and of resurrection, come into this Easter season and bless me. Look around at the tight, dead spaces of my heart. Bring your gentle but firm love ... Open me. Open me. Open me. For it is only then I will grow and change, for it is only then that I will be transformed. For it is only then that I will know how it is, To be in the moment of rising from the dead.



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 to be included on all literature promoting the golf classic. Thanks to Phil O Reilly Undertakers, NIS Ltd and Supermacs who have offered main sponsorship. However additional main sponsors are still invited and welcome. Sponsorships of tee box €50 and of a green €100 which we will be seeking also in the coming weeks. Please contact Fr. Michael in relation to main sponsorship asap 087 2900844

Easter Sunday: Outdoor Dawn Mass at 6am in **unused part of Mucklagh New Cemetery** at which we will be remembering and praying for all who died since last Easter and those laid to rest in **all** our parish cemeteries. All welcome

Thanks to all who helped with the Easter Ceremonies in our churches. A special thanks to Altar Servers, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Society, Organist, Choir, Musicians , Caretakers ,Collectors and Sacristans.

Congratulations to Fr Paul Connell of Meath Diocese appointed new bishop of Ardagh and Clonmacnoise

Eastertime Prayer: Risen Lord, we greet you with joy this Easter Season, and we thank you for the gift of new life. Bless our food, our family and our friends, and help us to celebrate the springtime in our hearts as we rejoice in the good news of your Resurrection. Alleluia! Amen.

Darkness into light Community Walk Saturday 6th May **Meeting** to organise same on Monday 17th April at 8pm in Community Centre. All help welcome

Many Thanks to everyone for their support and generosity throughout the year which has enabled much good work to be done in our churches and parish. This week we paid Allianz for the parish insurance amounting to €11,259

We wish our parishioners and friends the blessings, joy, peace and happiness of Easter.