The Seed, The Sower, and The Soil.

Rahan Parish Fr. Michael PP 087-2900844 Fr. Frank 057 9378181. Mucklagh Parish Secretary 057 93 78181. Wed 9.am -5 pm 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time 16th July 2023

Killina:Sunday 16th: 10.30am:Deceased members of the Guinan family, Roscore Tuesday 18th: 7.30pm: Peter, Elizabeth and Joe Leonard, Ballykeenaghan Thursday 20th: 7.30pm Feast of Saint Apolinaris Sunday 23rd: 10.30am: Lists of the Dead

Sunday 23rd: 2pm: Golden Jubilee Celebrations for Fr Nicholas Clavin

The Island: Saturday 15th: 6pm: Teresa Kelly (nee Sammon) m.m. Saturday 22nd: 6pm: John Molloy Dublin and his mother Nora Mucklagh:

Sat. 15th: 7.30pm : Paddy & May Fogarty, Barney & Bridget Pyke, Kai Gavin Dunne

Sunday 16th: 9am: Intentions of all Parishioners Sunday 16th: 12noon: Olive Flynn, The Fingerboard. Tom, Rose, Mary, Philip and Nan Lynam Wednesday 19th: 7.30pm: Intentions of our sick Thursday 20th: 9am Lists of the Dead Friday 21st: Intentions of Parishioners Saturday 22nd July: 7.30pm: For a successful harvest Sunday 23rd: 9am: John Claffey Anniversary

Sunday 23rd: 12noon: Mary Walsh Screggan 1st Anniv, Paul Keyes, his mother Dolores and sister Carmel

Offertory/Plate: Killina €145 The Island €105 Mucklagh €930 Development Fund: Killina and The Island €271 Mucklagh €344 Adoration: Mucklagh: Thursday 2-6pm Killina: Monday 3-10pm Adoration: The Island: Tue 3pm—8 pm and Saturday after Mass



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Please pray for: Kitty Dold Smyth, Charleville Road **Fr Nicholas Clavin** On Sunday next 23rd July Fr Nicholas Clavin will celebrate the Golden Jubilee of his Ordination to the Priesthood with family, friends and parishioners. **Mass at 2pm in Killina Church**... Fr Nicholas is a native of the Derries, Rahan and was ordained to

priesthood on 17th June 1973 in All Hallows College Dublin for Diocese of San Diego, California where he has served for the past 50 years . As a parish community we congratulate Fr Nicholas on the occasion of the celebration of his Golden Jubilee and we pray God's continued blessings on his life and ministry.

Prayer to Discern Your Vocation Almighty God, You have made me to know you, to love you, and to serve you, and thereby to find and fulfil myself. I know that you are in all things and that every path can lead me to you, But, of them all, there is one path especially by which you want me to come to you. Since I will do what you want of me, I pray you; send your Holy Spirit to me; Into my mind to show me what you want of me; Into my heart to give me the determination to do it, and to do it with all my love, with all my mind, and with all my strength, right to the end. Amen.

Rahan Community Hall <u>Dance</u> Saturday 26th August Music by Glenn Flynn Adm €10 Tickets on Sale from Hall Committee members. Refreshments Served. Church Gate Collections Please give <u>two weeks</u> notice of same to Parish Office Rahan Comhaltas Summer Seisiúns Rahan Hall <u>Tuesday July 18th</u> at 8.30 pm Mucklagh Church Summer Clean up Morning on this Tuesday at 10am Shamrock's Lotto: 7, 13, 23. Bonus number 5. Next week €10,000. Congratulations to Bea Buckley on winning the €15,000 Jackpot last week Mucklagh Community Centre: Lotto: 12, 22, 27, 30. Next week €6,400



Today's Gospel: The Importance of God's Word. How many words were spoken to us when were young. How many seeds were dropped into the soil of our minds and hearts during the springtime of our lives. Those words came from our parents and from many others. We heard words of greeting and welcome, words of correction and chastisement, words of warning and caution, words

of comfort and consolation. But human words, no matter how necessary, will never fully nourish us. We need the word of God. The word of God gives us guidance in times of doubt, reassurance in times of difficulty, comfort in times of sorrow, correction in times of foolishness, challenge in times of laziness and sloth, warning in times of danger, and hope in times of despair. God's word is never a negative word. It is a word spoken in love. Just as food nourishes the body, so the word of God nourishes the mind, the heart, and the spirit. At times we are mere hearers of the word. But those who "keep the word", that is, who act on it, are transformed by it.

Prayer after Holy Communion at Mass: Father, in celebrating this Eucharist, we have shared Faith in the Resurrection of Christ and renewed Hope in our own. We have pledged ourselves, yet again, to live the commandment of Love, and sought pardon at the Fountain of Forgiveness. Sustain us, Lord, with the Food of Life, as we go upon our way: May the Bread of Heaven be our strength, May the broken Body of Christ bring us healing; may the Spirit of the Risen Christ renew our youthful generosity; may the Sacred Heart of Jesus give us compassion. May the Crucified Christ of Calvary help us bear our daily burden. Amen

A Sure Way to Happiness by Helen Steiner Rice



Happiness is something we create in our mind, It's not something you search for and so seldom find. It's just waking up and beginning the day, by counting our blessings and kneeling to pray. It's giving up thoughts that breed discontent, and accepting what comes as a gift heaven-sent, It's giving up wishing for things we have not, and

making the best of whatever we've got. It's knowing that life is determined for us, and pursuing our tasks without fret, fume, or fuss. For it's by completing what God gives us to do, that we find real contentment and happiness, too.

Sunday next is National Day of Prayer for Granparents and the Elderly



Prayer for Granparents Lord Jesus, you were born of the Virgin Mary, the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne .Look with love on grandparents the world over. Protect them! They are a source of enrichment for families, for the Church and for all of society. Support them! As they grow older, may they continue to be for their families strong pillars of Gospel faith, guardians of noble domestic ideals, living treasuries of sound religious traditions. Make them teachers of wisdom and courage, that they may pass on to future generations the

fruits of their mature human and spiritual experience. Lord Jesus, help families and society to value the presence and role of grandparents. May they never be ignored or excluded, but always encounter respect and love. Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed in all the years of life which you give them. Mary, Mother of all the living, keep grandparents constantly in your care, accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage, and by your prayers, grant that all families may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland, where you await all humanity for the great embrace of life without end. Amen!

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