

Do not
be afraid
for I am
with you

Rahan Parish
Fr. Michael PP 087-2900844
Fr. Frank 057 9378181. Mucklagh
Parish Secretary 057 93 78181. Wed 9.am -5 pm
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time 20th August 2023

Killina: Sunday 20th: 10.30am: Bernadette Claffey .

Tuesday 22nd: Mass at 7.30pm: Feast of The Queenship of Mary. Timothy and Mary O'Brien Ballykeenehan

Thursday 24th: 7.30pm: Feast of Saint Bartholomew Apostle

Sunday 27th August: 10.30am: Rememberance Mass for Mike Byrne U.S.A and formerly Derrycooley, Deceased members of Looby family Derrycooley

The Island:

Saturday 19th : 6pm: Kevin Kinahan m.m, Denis Higgins, 1st Anniversary

Saturday 26th: Mass 6.00pm in Killickfehan Cemetery (No mass in the Church)

Mucklagh Sat. 19th: 7.30pm: Dan and Elizabeth Mc Keown Glaskill, Joe, Elizabeth, Patrick, Mary Teresa, Kathleen and Joseph Jnr Galvin, Cloonagh

Sunday 20th: 9am: Patsy Murphy Fivealley Birr

Sunday 20th : 12noon: Pat Ryan Adams Villas Anniversary

Wednesday 23rd: 7.30pm: Feast of St. Rose of Lima and St. Eugene

Thursday 24th: 9am: Feast of St. Bartholomew Apostle

Friday 25th: 7.30pm: Feast of St. Louis of France

Saturday 26th: 7.30pm: Nora and Mattie Smyth, Charleville Road

Sunday 27th: 9am: For all who received exam results

Sunday 27th: 12noon: Mass for a successful Harvest

Offertory/Plate: Killina €150 The Island €100 Mucklagh €670

Development Fund: Killina and The Island €216 Mucklagh €431

Adoration: Mucklagh: Thursday 2-6pm Killina: Monday 3-10pm

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

Rahan Community Hall Dance Saturday week 26th August Music by Glenn Flynn
Adm €10 Tickets on sale from committee Refreshments served

Please pray for Kiity Dempsey, Motmellick sister of Joe O'Brien and Rita Gleeson
Joe Heffernan, Kilcormac Pat Brennan Dublin (cousin of Fr Frank)

CHY3 Forms Can all who received forms please return to parish office

Novena Prayer Our Lady of Knock: continues until 22nd August

Novena Prayer Queen of Ireland, you gave hope to your people in a time of distress, and comforted them in sorrow. You have inspired countless pilgrims to pray with confidence to your divine Son, remembering His promise "Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find". Help me to remember that we are all pilgrims on the road to heaven. Fill me with love and concern for my brothers and sisters in Christ, especially those who live with me. Comfort me when I am sick, lonely or depressed. Teach me how to take part ever more reverently in the Holy Mass. Give me a greater love of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Pray for me now and at the hour of my death. Amen.

Prejudice is a learned trait. You're not born prejudiced; you're taught it.

Charles R. Swindoll

needs. The woman is put before us today as a great example of faith, courage and love.

The Canaanite woman had to face all kinds of obstacles in order to obtain a cure for her daughter. She had to overcome her pride in order to beg. As a Gentile, she knew she was not welcome among the Jews. She had to overcome too the apparent indifference of Jesus and then a put down and rejection. But she was not put off. Why? Because she was not seeking something for herself but for her daughter. Unselfishness enables us to transcend and see past our own



Shamrock's Lotto: 1, 8, 19. Bonus number 5. Next week €11,000.

Mucklagh Community Centre: Lotto: 11, 20, 22, 23. Next week €7,600

Today's Gospel: - : She was a lady like many – the woman of the gospel today. She would fight for her child. So she took on Jesus, the best known religious figure around. Like someone taking on the Taoiseach over a medical card for a chronically ill child, and not letting him off the hook. Jesus was testing her. He saw faith, but he wanted everyone else to see it. So he told her she didn't fit into the local religious sphere because she was foreigner, an asylum seeker or a refugee. She knew she fitted into the heart of Jesus simply because she was the mother of a sick child. Jesus cured her child and praised her faith. She is another of the unnamed ones of the gospel. Like the woman of Samaria, the rich young man, the thief on Calvary – she is herself, and she is all of us. She is everyone, man and woman, of faith. Faith in a surprising God who in Jesus his Son, never says no to goodness. Faith that keeps us energetic and alive, not tired, in soul as well as body. Lord, I believe, strengthen my faith. Donal Neary, SJ

Pope Francis speaks this week On Mary on Feast day of Assumption How good it is to live in gratitude and blessing instead of regrets and complaints, to raise our gaze upwards instead of wearing a long face! May our Mother, assumed into Heaven, help us to climb higher each day through service and praise.

On Love Love alone extinguishes hatred. Love alone ultimately triumphs over injustice. Love alone makes room for others. Love alone is the path towards full communion among us.

Reflection: Home Rules for Adults and Children seen recently in a home. If you sleep on it, make it up. If you wear it, hang it up. If you drop it, pick it up. If you eat out of it, put it in the sink. If you open it, close it. If you empty it, fill it up. If it rings, answer it. If it howls, feed it. If it cries, love it.

Rahan to Clonmacnoise Pilgrimage Walk Join us for a remarkable journey as we embark on the Rahan to Clonmacnoise Ecumenica Pilgrimage. This event, is a unique opportunity to connect with spirituality and history. **On Saturday, September 2, at 9.00am**, we will gather at the Church of St Carthage at Tulbeg, Rahan, to commence this meaningful journey. Whether you seek a deeper connection with your spirituality or simply wish to immerse yourself in the beauty of nature, the Rahan to Clonmacnoise Ecumenical Pilgrimage promises to be an unforgettable experience.

To book a place, please visit Clara Heritage Center Eventbrite page. Registration essential on line €10. Return bus from Clonmacnoise also on line €5 The walk is 30 kilometers Contact Anna Orman claraheritagesociety@email.com



Killickfehan Cemetery: Mass on Saturday 26th August at **6.00pm**

Rahan Cemetery Devotions Many Thanks to all who helped with Rahan Cemetery Devotions on Tuesday last and contributed to making it a great family and community occasion. A special word of thanks to those who maintain the cemetery throughout the year. **Thanks** to all Car Park Stewards, Readers, Eucharistic ministers Sacristans, all who helped with amplification and collection at the gate. **Amount Collected €2,335**

Best Wishes to all who will receive their Leaving Certificate results during the week May they have God's blessings in the future, in college or in the workplace Mass will be offered on Sunday next for all of your intentions

Prayers for those Awaiting Exam Results Lord, I give you the anxiety I feel, I surrender all my worries to you. Clear my mind, calm my heart, Still my spirit, relax my being. May I be satisfied that I did my best. May the path I choose in life bring me satisfaction and closer to you. Amen