

World Day of
Migrants and
Refugees

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"Free to choose whether to migrate or to stay"

Rahan Parish

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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 24th September 2023

Killina: Sunday 24th: 10.30am: Day of Prayer for Migrants and Refugees

Tuesday 26th: Mass at 7.30pm: Feast of Saint Cosmas and Damian

Thursday 28th: 7.30pm: St. Wenceslaus, St. Lawrence Ruiz and companions

Sunday 1st October: 10.30am: Kathleen Lynam Ballinclohan, Rahan

The Island: Sat 23rd: 6pm: Liam Kinahan 1st Anniversary, his parents Willie and Mary & his brothers Harry and Peter, Henry O'Rourke and deceased members of family

Saturday 30th: 6pm: Joe and Joan Maher The Derries

Mucklagh: Saturday 23rd: 7.30pm: Anne (Galvin) Daly, Tegan Court, 1st Anniv. and Sonny and Margaret McGrath, Adam's Villas

Sunday 24th: 9am: Michael Cooney, Clonad, Tullamore

Sunday 24th: 12noon: Michael & Annie White, Pearse Park and Cloonagh and deceased of the White & Grimes families, Callary St, William Wall, Charleville Road

Wed 27th: 7.30pm: Feast of Saint Vincent de Paul

Thursday 28th: 9am: Intentions of our sick and housebound

Friday 29th: 7.30pm: Michael, Gabriel and Raphael Archangels

Aggie White Adams Villas and Paucic McDonald, Screggan

Sat 30th: 7.30pm: Fergus Conroy Killurin

Sun 1st October: 9am: Tom Gallagher Charleville Road.

Sun 24th: 12noon: Alo Cannon & dec. members of the Cannon & Hardy families

Offertory/Plate: Killina €420 The Island €155 Mucklagh € 920

Development Fund: Killina and The Island €195 Mucklagh €428

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

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

Please Pray for Kathleen Flanagan (née Buckley) Clonshask, Oldtown, Athlone and formerly Newtown, Rahan, Eugene Young, Clonaslee and Marie Gath, Kilcormac

New Boxes of Envelopes: will be issued for first Week of October. **Many thanks** to all for your contributions received in the past year. For anyone who contributes yearly, half yearly or quarterly a contribution may now be due. Account details: St. Carthage's Church Current Account BIC: BOFIE2DIBAN: IE30 BOFI 9019 0938 7088 72.



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This Sunday is World Day of Migrants and Refugees

Theme -Free to choose whether to migrate or to stay

"36). The words of the Gospels are a constant admonition to see in the migrant not simply a brother or sister in difficulty, but Christ himself, who knocks at our door. Consequently, even as we work to ensure that in every case migration is the fruit of a free decision, we are called to show maximum respect for the dignity of each migrant; this entails accompanying and managing waves of migration as best we can, constructing bridges and not walls, expanding channels for a safe and regular migration. In whatever place we decide to build our future, in the country of our birth or elsewhere, the important thing is that there always be a community ready to welcome, protect, promote and integrate everyone, without distinctions and without excluding anyone.

Altar Servers We are at present recruiting altar servers from children in fourth class and upwards. Many thanks to children and parents for their co-operation. For children attending schools outside of our parish enrolment forms are available in the sacristies and from Mucklagh parish office. Forms to be returned by Friday next.



Shamrock's Lotto: 4, 10, 18. Bonus number 3. Next week €12,000.

Mucklagh Community Centre: Lotto: 5, 7, 20, 30. Next week €8,600

Today's Gospel: Let God be God. Sometimes we question God's dealings with other people because they seem to receive better treatment from him than we think they deserve. They do not measure up to our often impossible standards. They may be lazy and unreliable. Perhaps they argue and fight constantly. Or they may not have our talents and skills. Consequently, in our opinion, they are unworthy of any favour or special status. So why would God treat them differently? Ironically, as much as we want God to be involved in our lives and as much as we wish to be part of the kingdom of heaven, we do not always want to let God be God. Instead, we want God to be God as we would choose, relating to people on our terms and influenced by our prejudices and biases. Fortunately, however, God's ways are very different from our ways. Unlike many of us, God is not envious or spiteful. He does not have a 'pecking order', placing some people at the top and relegating others to the bottom. God has no favourites. As far as God is concerned, everyone has a unique dignity and equal worth. It can be very difficult to appreciate that, with God, all people are special. Because everyone is important, God's generosity is marvellous and God's mercy is limitless. That is how God chooses to be God and we are challenged to respect God's will. After all, God is our Creator and we are God's creatures. God has rights too and these rights demand that we let God be God



Harvest
Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving for Harvest: At all Masses next weekend we will be giving thanks for the Gift of Harvest - The Fruits of the Earth. We ask that farmers and those with gardens to bring products to our churches next Friday between 1-2 p.m. to form part of a display. All/some of the products will be made available afterwards to St. Vincent de Paul Society who will distribute them to those who need it. **Salt** will also be blessed for those who wish to bless their lands and gardens with it.

First Holy Communion Preparation: Meeting on Thursday 28th September in Mucklagh Church at 8pm. We will have an information meeting for all parents of children preparing for First Communion this year from St. Colman's N.S., Mucklagh and Scoil Charthaigh Naofa. Enrolment forms will be available for parents to fill in.

Rahan Hall: We welcome bookings for sports activities, children's birthday parties etc., For bookings Contact Teresa at 089 4304279

Prayer to the Archangels asking them to protect your family from all harm, whether physical or spiritual.(Feast Day on Friday) O Jesus, our most holy Redeemer, we ask you to bless our home, our family, our household. Preserve us from all evil. St. Michael, defend us against all the wicked wiles of hell. St. Gabriel, obtain for us wisdom that we may understand the holy will of God. St. Raphael, preserve us from ill health and all danger to life. Holy guardian angels, keep us day and night in the way to salvation. Amen.

Five First Saturday Devotions Starting from First Saturday of October at 10am in Mucklagh church we will commence 5 First Saturday Devotions which Our lady encouraged during apparitions at Fatima. **1** Go to Confession **2.** Receive Communion **3** Recite the Rosary **4.** Meditate for 15mins. All encouraged for our personal salvation

Quotations are invited **for the painting of the outside** of Mucklagh church. All intending to quote must have up to date tax clearance and own personal insurance. Quotations addressed to Parish Committee to be received at parochial house Mucklagh by 12 noon on Friday 6th October. For Details of the speck of works contact Fr Michael at 087 2900844.

Jesuit Cemetery Tullybeg Cemetery Devotions: Mass will be offered in the cemetery at 7pm on **this Monday 25th September** for all laid to rest in the cemetery