

Rahan Parish Fr. Michael PP 087-2900844 Fr. Frank 057 9378181. Mucklagh Parish Secretary 057 93 78181. Wed 9.am -5 pm 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 12th November 2023

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LAMPS

Killina:

Sun 12th November: 10.30am: Pat and Bernie Cunningham, Deceased Priests of the Parish and Deceased members of the Presentation Order A cup of tea will be served after mass this Sunday in Rahan Resource Centre.

Tuesday 14th: Mass at 7.30pm: Margaret and Patrick Hughes and Tommy Duncan Mary and Patrick Walsh

Thurs 16th: Mass at 7.30pm: Feast of St Margaret of Scotland

Sun 19th November: 10.30am: John and Katie Cooney

The Island:

Saturday 11th November: 6pm: Intentions of Parishioners

Saturday 18th November: 6pm: Lists of the Dead

Mucklagh:

Sat 11th: 7.30pm:s Intentions of Parishioners Sun 12th: 9am: James and Nora Hoban Sun 12th: 12noon John Lucey Mucklagh

Wednesday 15th: Janice Keyes, UK and formally Ballard

Thurs 16th: Note no Mass at 9am: Feast of St Margaret of Scotland

Friday 17th: Mass at 7.30pm Colette Grennan, Ross, Catherine and Con Leavy

Ballyduff, Deceased members of the Condron family Ferthaun

Sat 18th: 7.30pm: Paddy Walsh, Agall Sun 19th: 9am: Intentions of Parishioners

Sun 19th: 12noon: Pat Fletcher and his sisters Maureen and Kathleen, Glaskill

Offertory/Plate: Killina €290 The Island €110 Mucklagh €990 **Development Fund:** Killina and The Island €433 Mucklagh €840

Mission Sunday €901 extra received Remaining Envelopes can be returned asap

Adoration: Mucklagh: Thursday 2-6pm Killina: Monday 3-10pm Adoration: The Island: Tue 3pm—8 pm and Saturday after Mass

Pray for: Tommy Bradley, Ballinamuddagh, Moate, father of Corla Sammon,

Castletown, The Island RIP

Farnavilla Cemetery Devotions On Saturday next 18th November at 2pm (weather permitting) we will celebrate Mass at Farnavilla Cemetery, The Island. Many thanks to all who have helped clean up the cemetery for this special occasion.

November Offerings for the support of the Priests are being taken up during these weeks. Please use envelope from yearly box of envelopes or an ordinary envelope with your name and address on it

Pioneer Pledge for the month of the Holy Souls A short-term pledge gives spiritual support to people and their families who live under a shadow of addiction

25's Card Game League continues this Sunday 12th Nov in preparation for Christmas in Mucklagh Community Centre at 8pm,

Book Launch and Reception: Rahan Hall November the 18th at 8 pm The book "Down the Decades" is an insight into life in rural Ireland since 1922. It is written by Tom Minnock in conversation with the late George Griffith based on his life in Clonshanny with photos from down the years. While a nostalgic reminder for the older generation this book also has a message that is a beacon of hope for our young people. **Book** will be available on the night or from Tom Minnock 087 2525265. Price: € 15

Shamrock's Lotto: 15, 20, 26. Bonus number 3. Next week €11,200. Mucklagh Community Centre: Lotto: 3, 26, 21, 31. Next week €10,000

Today's Gospel: I'm not ready – we all think it or say it from time to time. It could be as simple as not being able to find your shoes to leave the house, or a more serious situation like being under-prepared for a work presentation. It can also refer to our emotional state – we might not be ready to talk about an experience, to change a habit, to enter into a relationship, or to let go of a loved one. No one else can tell us if we are ready for a situation or not. It is something only we know. The parable in today's gospel pits two groups in stark contrast –the foolish bridesmaids who failed to prepare, and the sensible ones who were ready with their lamps and oil. Both groups fell asleep on the job, but only one group had laid the groundwork and so were ready for action. Jesus tells us we need to be watchful and ready. As well as having the light of faith, we need the fuel – the actions – to keep it lit so we are ready when the Lord comes.

List of the Dead - To Remember our loved ones, during the month of November has always been seen as an act of charity to the faithful departed from those who still have the gift of life to help them attain their eternal rest. Lists of the Dead Envelopes and blank lists available in all of our churches Please prepare your Altar List of Dead for remembrance at all Masses during November and every First Friday throughout the year. Completed lists may be returned as soon as possible

Fr Willie Doyle Fr John Hogan who is the priest in our diocese in charge of promoting the cause of Fr Willie Doyle towards canonisation will show a video and speak about the life of Fr Willie in Mucklagh Community Centre on Friday 17th of November at 8pm. (Not on 10th as previously advertised) Fr. Willie's association with our parish is that he spent part of his years of novitiate in The Jesuit College in Rahan Fr John will have a First Class Relic of Fr Willie to bless people with.

International Men's Day join us on Saturday, November 18th, at the Charleville Centre in Tullamore to celebrate International Men's Day. Starting at 11am with breakfast, followed by our guest speaker Pat Flanagan, former Offaly senior football manager and we'll cap off the event with a leisurely social walk. It's a fantastic opportunity to connect, share stories and celebrate our community. To secure your spot, contact Declan at 087 699 1226 or David at 087 1782989...

Confirmation

We welcome our children preparing for the Sacrament Communion of First Holy Communion this weekend and their families and our children enrolling for the Sacrament of Confirmation next weekend and their families



40 Hours Adoration, Cathedral of Christ the King Mullingar 24-26 **November** To celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King this year, there will be 40 Hours Adoration in Mullingar Cathedral, beginning with Mass at 7:30 pm on Friday, 24th November and concluding with Solemn Vespers and Benediction at 4 pm on Sunday 26th November. As part of the 40 Hours Devotion, Confessions will be heard in the Ca-

thedral continually from 12 noon to 12 midnight on Saturday 25th November. The hour designated to our parish is Friday 24th from 9pm to 10pm but people are not restricted to this hour. It is hoped that people from the Diocese will come to the Cathedral during this time to pray. Bishop Deenihan has asked that prayers would be offered for the following intentions during the weekend: 1. For the children preparing for the Sacraments and for their families, that they may grow in love for Christ in the Eucharist 2. For a return to the Eucharist in our parish communities 3. For vocations to the priesthood and religious life in our Diocese." Oddly enough, we have lost the prayer of adoration; and everyone, priests, bishops, consecrated men and women, need to recover it, this the ability to be quiet in the Lord's presence."