



**Rahan Parish**  
**Fr. Michael PP 087-2900844**  
**Fr. Frank 057 9378181. Mucklagh**  
**Parish Secretary 057 93 78181. Wed 9.am -5 pm**  
**4th Sunday of Advent 24th December 2023**

**Killina: Sun 24th: 10.30am:** Ellen Dunne and deceased members of the Hickey family Roscore, John and Anne Buckley Goldsmiths Lot .

**Christmas Eve: Mass at 9.00pm:** Mass and Blessing of crib. Mass Bouquets

**Christmas Day: Mass at 10.30am:** Sadie Kirwan 1st Anniversary

**Tues 26th: 10am Feast of St Stephen**

**Wed 27th: 10am Feast of St John the Apostle**

**Thurs 28th: 10am Feast of The Holy Innocents**

**Sun 31st: 10.30am:** Intentions of Christmas Mass Bouquets

**The Island: Saturday 23rd: 6pm:** Mass Bouquets

**Christmas Eve: Mass at 6.00pm:** Mass & Blessing of Crib. Dan and Mary Fogarty and their son Martin Castletown

**Christmas Day: Mass at 10am** Special Intention. Mass Bouquets

**Saturday 30th: 6pm:** For a Happy and Joy filled New Year

**Mucklagh: Saturday 23rd: Mass at 7.30pm:** Eamon Walsh St Colman's Terrace

**Sun 24th: Mass at 9am:** Deceased members of the Egan and Gallagher families

**Sunday day 24th: 12noon:** Bridget Moran, Ballylynan,( sister of Mary Hooper)

**Christmas Eve: Mass at 4.00pm:** Children's Mass of the Nativity & Blessing of Crib

**Christmas Eve: Mass at 7.30pm:** Mass and Blessing of the Crib. Mass Bouquets

**Christmas Day: Mass 9.00am:**The Galvin family, Tullamore & the White family, Scraggan

**Christmas Day: Mass at 12noon:** Sean Murray, Ballyshannon

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**Fri 29th:7.30pm Feast St Thomas Beckett** Annie Fletcher, husband Patsy & relatives

**Sat 30th: Mass at 7.30pm** Breda and Pat Joe Conroy Ballard and their Great Grandson Patrick and Deceased Family Members

**Sunday 31st: 9am :** Betsy Flanagan 2nd Anniversary

**Sunday 31st: 12noon:** Nora Kenaney Mucklagh and formerly Patrick St. Tullamore

**Offertory/Plate: Killina** €230 **The Island** €135 **Mucklagh** €880

**Development Fund: Killina and The Island** €232 **Mucklagh** €1790

**Adoration: Please Note No Adoration for the next 2 weeks**

**Pray for** Sr. Marie Walsh formerly Killina Convent. Johnnie Flaherty, Chaleville View

**Christmas Mass Schedule in our 3 churches**

**Christmas Eve** 4pm Mass In Mucklagh . **Christmas Eve** 6pm Mass In The Island

**Christmas Eve** 7.30pm Mass in Mucklagh **Christmas Eve** 9pm Mass in Killina

**Christmas Day** 9am Mass in Mucklagh **Christmas Day** 10am Mass in The Island

**Christmas Day** 10.30am Mass in Killina **Christmas Day** 12 noon Mass in Mucklagh

**Christmas Candles** are available at all masses for people to bring home for lighting on Christmas day at the family meal. **Also bring home a copy of A Family Christmas**

**Dinner Prayer** which is also available for saying at Christmas day meal. **Children** please feel free to bring a candle and prayer to grandparents inside or outside our parish or to anyone who may be lonely or sad for Christmas.

**Parish Christmas Draw** Thank you for your support for our parish draw which realised a profit of €8,000. Thanks to committee who helped and those who donated extra prizes. Many thanks to all. See results on website

**Prize Draw** Please come early to Christmas Masses for singing of carols



**Shamrock's Lotto:** 6, 20, 21. Bonus number 2. Next week €12,400.

**Mucklagh Community Centre: Lotto:** 8, 11, 16, 17. Next week €11,200 .

**Today's Gospel - Annunciations** announce the coming of the Lord, favour from God. Life is full of little and big annunciations. Ways in which we make the Son of God alive within the world. Any time we find genuine help, compassion, justice, all the gifts of God's Spirit, then this is annunciation. It can be an annunciation of new faith and love of God. What Mary got at annunciation was the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit and the Son of God in her womb. We are the people who find grace and hope in the middle of everything. If we have been gifted, we give. Someone let me out of the carpark and I let the next person out. Someone visited me in hospital and I did the same later. Our Christmas way of celebration and helping others is a response. Don't ask how did you get over the Christmas, but did Christmas get into you! Let the big mystery of God's love get deeply into us this time of year.

**Shared Christmas Mass Bouquet Cards** available in Parish Office and church Sacristies Donation €5 per card. All will be remembered at Christmas masses

**Additional Christmas Eve Mass** for children & families at 4pm in Mucklagh church .

**Confession** on Saturday 23rd in Killina and Mucklagh from 3-4pm and in The Island on Saturday 23rd before and after the 6pm Mass .

**Rahan Comhaltas Table Quiz** in the Thatch Rahan December 30th at 8.30pm. All proceeds in aid of the **Gaza emergency fund**. A great night for family and friends.

**The 2024 Parish Pilgrimage** will be to Assisi, Loreto & other places, Sept 24-30. Cost is €995 per person sharing Contact Laura 057 9355050 (Mon to Fri,) 9am to 5pm

**Fr. Michael and Fr. Frank** wish everybody peace and joy for Christmas and blessings for the New Year, and thank you all for your help, support and generosity. . Welcome home to all parishioners who are studying, working or living abroad. We welcome all who are visiting our parish for Christmas and those who have made their home in our Parish in the last year. We invite all family members to join us in celebrating the birth of Jesus at Mass on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day.

**Christmas Offerings:** Christmas Eve and Christmas Day are Offering Days for the support of the priests of the parish. Please use envelope from yearly Box or **Special Envelope** available at all of our churches

**Date for Diaries Parish Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help** will be held on the 4 Tuesdays of February in Mucklagh church at 7.30pm with visiting speakers. Lots of nice singing in prayers, readings and reflections . **Motto for Christmas week** **Jesus First; Others Second; Ourselves Last.**

**Christmas Masses:** In all of our Christmas Masses we will be remembering all homes and families of our Parish and all friends of our Parish. Special prayers will be offered for our sick, for those away from home, for peace in our world, for all married in the year, for all baptised and for all who died during the year

**Christmas Toys** To any of our Masses on Christmas Morning we invite children to bring **one of their small Christmas Toys and during Mass to place it beside the crib**. At Christmas time we give thanks for toys and all of God's blessings. Please put your child's name on the present so that they can recognise it and bring it home afterwards and also please don't bring toys that are battery operated.

**Junior Infants Prayer** Thank you, Jesus for all our toys. Thank you, Jesus for Christmas Joys. Thank you Jesus, for all you've done. Thank you, Jesus for Christmas fun. Thank you Jesus, we would like to say . Thank you Jesus, for Christmas Day. Thank you Jesus, for being a friend . Thank you Jesus, at Christmas end . Amen

**Thanks** to children for decorations for Christmas trees in all of our churches

**Rahan Hall Social Dance** Wed 27th Dec @ 9.30pm Music - Glenn Flynn Adm €10

**Parish Office: Will reopen on Thursday 28th December from 9am-5pm**