

Rahan Parish Fr. Michael PP 087-2900844 Fr. Frank 057 9378181. Mucklagh Parish Secretary 057 93 78181. Wed 9.am -5 pm 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 21st January

Killina: Sun 21st Mass at 10.30 am: Sr Marie Walsh m.m James Gibbons, Newtown, Rahan, Martin and Elizabeth Byrne Derrycooley Fr Seamus Dunican Anniversary Tuesday 23rd : Mass at 7.30pm: Christmas Mass Bouquets Thursday 25th Mass at 7.30pm Conversion of St Paul Sunday 28th Reuben Kennedy Anniversary
The Island Sat 20th: Mass at 6pm: Dan, Annie and Margaret Clavin, The Derries, Camillus Corcoran and Deceased family members
Sat 27th: Mass at 6pm Molly and James Minnock Clonshanny Hill
Mucklagh: Sat 20th : Mass 7.30pm: Jimmy Mc Loughlin, Murrough Lizzie Buckley Roscore and Deceased Relatives
Sun 21st : Mass at 12noon: John and Bridie Gonoude, Ted Flynn, Charleville Road
Wednesden 24th & Mass at 7.30pm: Lan Mannay Lyngly

Wednesday 24th : Mass at 7.30pm: Lar Mooney Lynally Thursday 25th : Mass at 9am: Conversion of St Paul Friday 26th: Mass at 7.30pm:Deceased of the Mollin family, Lynally Sat 20th : Mass at 7.30pm: Tony Claffey Blueball, Jack Galvin Cloonagh, Michael Carter , Charleville Road Sun 28th: Mass at 9am: Intentions of Parishioners

Sun 28th : Mass at 12noon: Lucy Kinahan m.m Michael and Kathleen O'Hanlon and their parents and Deceased relatives



 Pray for Vincent Daly, Castlebar and Mont Bolus, Bridie Hannon nee Conway, Manchester and Rahan (Aunt of Andy Minnock, Rahan)
Date for Diaries A Parish Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help will be held on the 4 Tuesdays of February 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th in Mucklagh Church at 7.30pm with 4 visiting speakers. Lots of nice singing, prayers, readings and reflections. We hope you will find time to join us in this

special event and that our Parish Community and families will be all the more enriched for celebrating and sharing in this Parish Novena. Thanksgiving Prayer Cards and Petition Prayer Cards and can be returned to boxes in any of our 3 churches Our Speaker on February 6th will be Fr Derek Ryan, The theme of the night will be Mary the Mother of Jesus, as a woman of and openness to the will and ways of God. Our Speaker on February 13th will be Hilda Campbell The Second Tuesday will be especially geared towards young people but will be inclusive of all . The theme of the night will be Mary's Journey of love and loss.

Our Speaker on February 20th will be **Fr Brendan Corrigan**, **The theme** of the night will be Mary as a person of helpfulness, in visiting her cousin Elizabeth, helping the young couple at wedding of Cana and accompanying Jesus to Calvary.

Our Speaker on February 27th will be **Fr. Joe Campbell. The Theme** of the night will be that of Mary Assumed into heaven. That night will be a special night of remembrance and prayer for all the departed of our families, and communities .

Celebrating a Marriage Anniversary February Month of St. Valentine. **Mass of celebration and blessing of Marriage anniversaries** 10th, 25th, 50th, 60th - or any year in between. on **Friday 16th February at 7.30pm Mass in Mucklagh** To register, please contact the Parish Office Tel: 057 9378181 or email rahanparish@gmail.com **Saint Bridget's Crosses** If anyone can make Bridget's Crosses for those ill or can supply rushes for schools much appreciated. Contact Fr Michael 087 2900844.

Shamrock's Lotto: 7, 25, 28. Bonus number 4. Next week €13,000. Mucklagh Community Centre: Lotto: 4, 18, 22, 24. Next week €11,600. Offertory/Plate Last weekend: Killina € 230 The Island €130 Mucklagh €860 Development: Killina & The Island €195 Mucklagh € 504 Many Thanks

Today's Gospel: Follow me -We follow Jesus, like the Twelve, because we are drawn by him; drawn and attracted by the way this Man Jesus lives, speaks, suffers, dies and rises. Something in him appeals; maybe it's the wish to heal, or his love for the poor, or his forgiveness, so total, or his desire to change the world, or because he stands for what is good: for justice, peace, equality. Or just because he is a friend, and because he is the face of God, the word of God, the son of God. Like us, in all but our sin, one of us, son of God, and son of Mary too. People left a lot to follow him, they left their dreams and their burdens, their families, and their businesses, and gave up their lives, drawn, attracted, challenged as we are now, by his words: Come, follow me.

Parish Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Although being held in Mucklagh Church is for all people of our parish <u>Pictures</u> of our Lay of Perpetual Help will be displayed in our 3 churches

Prayer to Our Mother of Perpetual Help Mother of Perpetual Help, with the greatest confidence we come before your holy picture to be inspired by the example of your life. We think of you at that moment when, full of faith and trust, you accepted God's call to be the mother of his Son. Help us, your children, to accept with joy our own calling in life. When you learned that your cousin Elizabeth was in need you immediately went to serve her and offer your help. Help us, like you, to be concerned for others. We think of you, Mother, at the foot of the cross. Your heart must have bled to see your Son in agony. But your joy was great when he rose from the dead, victorious over the powers of evil. Mother of Sorrows, help us through the trials and disappointments of life. Help us not to lose heart. May we share with you and your Son the joy of having courageously faced up to all the challenges of life. Amen. **For More Prayers see home page of parish website www.rahanparish .ie**



Catholic Schools Week takes place this week -21st to 27th January on the theme of Catholic Schools as Communities of Service.

Christian service puts faith into action. In Catholic schools, as we study and look to Jesus Christ as our role model and Teacher, we come to a greater understanding of the depth of Christian service. Jesus served every person regardless of creed, background, faith, social status or age.

He put faith into action by showing all those around him how our Heavenly Father is compassionate, courageous and forgiving. Jesus didn't just talk about His faith; He lived it. We are called by faith to go into the world to share the love of God with all those we meet. Each person, at every age, is called to become Christ for another by serving every person with a humble heart and with a generous spirit For Catholic Schools Week, we will contemplate our schools as communities of service under the following themes: 1. Service in Our Community of Friends 2. Service in Our School Community 3. Service in Our Family Community 4. Service in Our Local Community 5. Service in Our Faith Community

Bishop Michael Smith celebrates *40 years as Bishop this* Sunday with the celebration of Vespers in Mullingar Cathedral at 4pm. All welcome

Snowdrops: It was a joy recently to welcome the first snowdrops, soaking up the light and calling out to its fellow flowers to join in the celebration of life once again. Soon they will be joined by Blue Bonnets, Buttercups, Tulips, Daffodils and Dandelions. May you bloom well today and always. May you shine your light. May you share your love. May you be truly alive in the glory of God's creation. And may you forever make your Heavenly Father smile.

Pilgrimage to Lourdes July 25–28 Cost €625 Contact Laura @057 9355050

