



Jesus,
I Trust
in You.

Rahan Parish
Fr. Michael PP 087-2900844
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Secretary 057 93 78181. Wed 9am-5pm
2nd Sunday of Easter 7th April 2024

Killina Divine Mercy Sunday 7th: 10.30 am Mass for Joe Mc Greer of Tullybeg who died recently at request of neighbours and friends

Tuesday 9th: 7.30pm: Intentions of the Sick

Thursday 11th: 7.30pm: The Guinan family, Ballinclohan and Cappaloughan

Sunday 14th: 10.30am: John Carroll and his parents Annie and William Carroll

The Island: Divine Mercy Vigil Saturday 6th Paddy Daly and his parents Patrick and Mary and John and Agnes Sammon and their daughter Nuala Colgan

Saturday 13th: 6pm: Joe and Mary Heaton and deceased family members

Mucklagh Divine Mercy Vigil Sat 6th 7.30pm James & Elizabeth Coyne Brocca Rd

Divine Mercy Sunday: 7th 9am Intentions of Parishioners

Divine Mercy Sunday: 7th 12noon Matt Buckley m.m. Martin Manley

Divine Mercy Devotions commencing at 2pm . Mass at 3pm

Wednesday 10th: 7.30pm: Intentions of Parishioners

Thursday 11th: 9.00am: Intentions of the Sick

Thursday 11th: 3pm Sacrament of Confirmation Liturgy

Friday 12th: 7.30pm: Damien Flaherty , Paddy Kubacki

Sat 13th: 7.30pm: Joe Grogan, 1st Ann, Rose Mollen, 1st Ann Joe Craven & dec.. relatives

Sunday 14th: 9am: Bridie Healion, Spollenstown, m.m.

Sun 14th: 12noon John Joe & Elsie Lambe, Kevin Smyth, Eileen Lucey

Offertory/Plate Killina €450 The Island €295 Mucklagh €1,277

Development: Killina and The Island €524 Mucklagh €1,000

Good Friday for Holy Land it's places and people Amount € 1,652

Sacrament of Confirmation Bishop Tom will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on the children of our two schools on Thursday next at 3pm in Mucklagh church. We ask God's continued blessing on all of our children, their parents, teachers, sponsors, grandparents and all involved in their faith formation

Trocáire Boxes: Amount already received €5,750 "I was hungry and you gave me to eat, thirsty & you gave me to drink, naked and you clothed me. Remaining monies can be returned asap. We give simply so that others may simply live . **Where your money goes:** 91% goes on direct charitable expenditure; 8% is spent on fundraising and publicity activities, and 1% goes on governance costs

Thanks to all who contributed to **Easter Offerings** for the support of the Priests. Easter Offering Envelopes available at back of churches for those may wish to use them

Rahan Parish Golf Classic: in both Tullamore and Esker Hills Golf Clubs on Friday 14th June 2024 to raise funds for our Parish. Team of 4 €200 which includes food on the course. We are seeking sponsorship from businesses and households. Main Sponsor /s are €500 which will include a team entry names of which we need as soon as possible to be included on all literature promoting the golf classic. Thanks to **Phil O' Reilly Undertakers, NIS Ltd and The Thatch Pub** who have offered main sponsorship. However additional main sponsors are still invited and welcome. Sponsorships of tee box €50 and of a green €100 which we will be seeking in coming weeks. Please contact Fr. Michael in relation to main sponsorship 087 2900844.

Divine Mercy Devotions commencing at 2pm in Mucklagh Church with Adoration, Rosary, Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Confessions. **Mass at 3pm Collection at Mass** this year will go to Holy Land it's places & peoples at this time when they need love

Easter Holy Water available in containers at the Altar in our 3 churches



Shamrock's Lotto: 8, 10, 28. Bonus number 1. Next week €15,400

Mucklagh Community Centre: Lotto: 10, 12, 16, 22. Next week €14,000

Divine Mercy Sunday The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us – all of us. And, he wants us to recognise that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy. The Divine Mercy message is one we can call to mind simply by remembering **ABC: A.** Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world. **B.** Be merciful. God want us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us. **C.** Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive

Today's Gospel -Pope Francis Reflects on Thomas the Apostle

We too struggle at times like Thomas . How can we believe that Jesus is risen, that he accompanies us and is the Lord of our life without having seen him, without having touched him? "How can one believe in this? Why does the Lord not give us some clearer sign of his presence and love? Some sign that I can see better," Pope Francis said. "Here, we too are like Thomas, with the same doubts, the same reasoning," he continued. "But we do not need to be ashamed of this. By telling us the story of Thomas, in fact, the Gospel tells us that the Lord is not looking for perfect Christians. No, the adventure of faith, as for Thomas, consists of lights and shadows. Otherwise, what kind of faith would that be It knows times of comfort, zeal and enthusiasm, but also of weariness, confusion, doubt, and darkness. "The Gospel shows us Thomas' 'crisis' to tell us that we should not fear the crises of life and faith," Pope Francis continued. "Crises are not sins, they are part of the journey, we should not fear them. Many times, they make us humble because they strip us of the idea that we are fine, that we are better than others. Crises help us to recognize that we are needy: they rekindle the need for God and thus enable us to return to the Lord, to touch his wounds, to experience his love anew as if it were the first time. "Jesus does not give up, he does not get tired of us, he is not afraid of our crises, our weaknesses. He always comes back: When the doors are closed, he comes back; when we are in doubt, he comes back; when, like Thomas, we need to encounter him and to touch him up close, he comes back,. "Jesus always comes back, he always knocks on the door, and he does not come back with powerful signs that would make us feel small and inadequate, even ashamed, but with his wounds; he comes back showing us his wounds, signs of his love that has espoused our frailties,."

Offaly Sports Partnership: Older Adult Sports Taster Morning for Boccia, Pickleball, Walking Football, Darts, Scooch, Chair Volleyball, Flizk, Activator Poles, Go for Life games. **Monday 8th April 10am-1pm in Mucklagh Community Centre**

Recording of Dawn Mass is available on parish website courtesy of JMB Videos

Killina Secondary School Clothes Collection: In aid of Killina Parents Council on Thursday 11th April. Clothes can be dropped off on Wednesday 10th April after school from 6-7pm or Thursday 11th before 9am Women's/Men's/Children's clothes Paired footwear, Bags/Belts, Soft toys, Curtains/towels, Bedlinen. Note: All items must be clean and no pillows or duvets. All support greatly appreciated

Killina Secondary School Zambia Immersion Programme 2 Teachers and A Parish Pastoral Leader from Kaoma District in Zambia which the school is twinned will join us at the 10.30am Mass in Killina next Sunday 14th to speak about the difference the contribution of the Killina students and the support our Parish makes in the lives of people in

Kaoma Refreshments after mass in the secondary school . Please join us and give a **cead mile failte** to those who have travelled so far to join us.

