



I Am the Vine, You are the Branches

GOD'S PLANE LIVING

Rahan Parish
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5th Sunday of Easter 28th April 2024



Shamrock's Lotto: 1, 15, 19. Bonus number 1. Next week €16,000
Mucklagh Community Centre: Lotto: 15, 17, 19, 26. Next week €14,600



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 literature promoting the golf classic. Thanks to **Phil O' Reilly Undertakers, NIS Ltd The Thatch Pub, Michael Bracken and Sons Building Contractors, Kenny Properties & Hickey Engineering, Killeranny** for main sponsorship already offered. However additional main sponsors are still invited and welcome. along with **To Sponsor a Tee Box is €50 and a Green €100.** Contact Fr Michael 087 2900844
Parish Golf Classic: Meeting this Tuesday 30th April at 9pm in Mucklagh Parochial House to organize and plan for the Classic All help most welcome.

Pioneer Total Abstinence Association We are planning to form again a Branch of the Pioneer Total Abstinence Association in our parish. The aims of the Association are **1.** To encourage young people and adults to take the pledge to abstain from alcohol until 18 years (and for longer if they wish) and to abstain from drugs for life **2.** To promote temperate use of alcohol among all **3.** To pray for individuals and families affected by addictions **4.** To promote the pledge among all who have made their Confirmation recently and among those who are preparing for Confirmation. **5.** To organize a Mass each year at which those wishing to enroll in the Pioneer Association can receive their Pioneer Pin and a Certificate of Enrolment and a copy of a prayer they are encouraged to pray as often as possible. **A Meeting** for all interested in helping to re-establish the Association in our parish will be held on **Friday 3rd May at 8pm in Mucklagh church** . The Support of parents , adults and young people will be appreciated .Statistics show that many young people now go alcohol free and we hope the establishment of the above would be a support

Tullamore Parish Triduum Celebrating Our Lady Mass & Homily each day **@ 7pm**
Wednesday May 1st A special outreach to Primary School children & families
Thursday May 2nd A Special outreach to Secondary School pupils and families
Friday 3rd May Praying for all parishioners and friends living and deceased
Church Gate Collections : It is very important to give **at least 2 weeks** notice of same to Parish Office and if applying for a permit please avoid Church Collections Cemetery Sunday(June 9th), Peters Pence (June 23rd) Mission Sunday(Oct 20th) Vocations Sunday(4th Sunday after Easter), Easter Sunday, 1st November

Rahan Cemetery Clean up Evening on Wednesday 1st May at the Cemetery at 7pm Many Thanks to Volunteers who do such great work all year long in helping to keep the cemetery so neat and tidy however with the great growth of recent weeks extra help appreciated from those with hedge cutters, strimmers etc Many Thanks.

Today's Gospel Vine and the Branches In the parable of the Vine and the Branches Jesus highlights our relationship with the Father. The branches have no life in themselves, they draw it from the main plant, and if they are cut off from the plant they wither and die. The more we humble ourselves and depend on the Lord, the more he can work in us and the stronger we become. Jesus encourages us to abide in him, and then he will abide in us and we will produce much fruit. You are the vine, we are the branches. You are the shepherd, we are the sheep. We thank you for all the love that you given us. We live because you gave us life. We grow because you give us food. We breathe because you give us air. All we have is because of you. So today we promise to keep you close To talk to you every day. To think of you when we make our decisions. When we work and when we play. Amen.

Alzheimers Tea Day Thurs 2nd May 10am -12noon Mucklagh Community Center

Killina Sunday 28th: 10.30am: Eileen and Dinny Kelly Goldsmiths Lot, Teresa Gaye Killeranny, Sr. Oliver Wrafter
Tuesday 30th: 7.30pm: Feast of Our Lady of Africa
Thursday 2nd May: 7.30pm: Feast of Saint Athanasius
Friday 3rd: 9.30am: First Friday Mass for Lists of the Dead
Sunday 5th: 10.30am: Sr Margaret Mary Larkin and Deceased parents Edward and Annie and Deceased Relatives
The Island: Saturday 27th: 6pm: Intentions of Parishioners
Friday 3rd: 6pm First Friday Mass for Lists of the Dead
Sat 4th: 6pm: Intentions of all who are ill
Mucklagh Sat 27th: 7.30pm John Mc Keown, 1st Anniv, William White Adams Villas, 1st Anniv. Celine Larkin Anniv.
Sunday 28th: 9am: Patrick Elizabeth and Matt Buckley Tommy Tiquin and Deceased of Buckley Family, Jim Essie and Fr Aloysius Craven and Deceased Relatives
Sun 28th: 12noon: Sr. Patrick Deegan. Presentation Sisters, Rahaon
Wednesday 1st May: 7.30pm Lists of the Dead **Thursday 25th: 9.00am:**
Friday 3rd: 7.30pm First Friday Mass for Lists of the Dead
Sat 4th: 10am in honor of Our Lady and **7.30pm** Intentions of Parishioners
Sunday 5th: 9am: Kathleen White Screggan, Birthday Remembrance
Sun 5th: 12noon: Joe Margaret and Karl Mc Gee and Deceased Relatives Jean Claude Gerard who died recently in France. R.I.P

Offertory/Plate Killina €333 **The Island** €350 **Mucklagh** €1,142
Development: Killina and The Island € 260 **Mucklagh** €640
Trocáire Boxes: Amount received so far **€6,615** .

Vocations Sunday €2,286 Remaining envelopes from annual box can be returned asap
Thanks to all who contributed to **Easter Offerings** for the support of the Priests.
Pray for Dermot Deasy brother of Mary Conroy, Mucklagh, Ollie Daly Ferbane Geraldine Adams, Tullamore Aggie Reilly, Rhode, sister of Liam Delaney Murrourgh
Rahan Hall Social Dance Saturday 27th Apr., 9.30pm Music by Declan Angier €10



May Altars May is the Marian month when Catholics give special praise and honour to Jesus' mother Mary, gifted to us as our mother also. For the month of May we will arrange May altars in our 3 parish churches : We encourage everyone also to create a May altar at home to include on your altar: a statue of Mary ,candle, bible, crucifix, rosary beads. During May also as families set aside time each day to pray a decade of the Rosary or as simple as 3 Hail Mary's
Intentions for May, Peace in world , fine weather , prayers for our family especially our sick, all preparing for exams **Mass to Our Lady on Saturday 4th in Mucklagh @10am**

Darkness into Light 11th May Walk begins @4.15am .Assemble at gates of Mucklagh Old Cemetery and walk to Screggan Cross & back Support of all walkers, stewards ,musicians & singers welcome.to set up along the route .

Talk on The Traditional Catholic Family by John Lacken Founder of Legio Sanctae Familia .**Venue** Clara Parish Centre Tuesday week April 30th at 7.30pm

First Friday Calls to the sick and housebound will take place on Wednesday in the Island , on Thursday in Rahan and on Friday in Mucklagh .

Viatores Christi Mission Awareness Volunteers will join us for Mass next weekend and speak about their work .They will have **an exiting collection** at end of all masses

