Rahan Parish
Fr. Michael PP 087-2900844
Fr. Frank 057 9378181. Mucklagh
Secretary 057 93 78181. Wed 9am-5pm
The Nativity of the Lord 24th/25th December 2024

Killina
Tues 24th: Christmas Eve: Mass 9.00pm: Mass and Blessing of crib. Mass Bouquets
Wed 25th: Christmas Day: Mass at 10.30am: Mass Bouquets
Thurs 26th: Feast of St Stephen **Mass at 10am** Mass Bouquets
Friday 27th: Feast of St. John the Apostle **Mass at 10am** Mass Bouquets
Sun 29th: 10.30am: Susan Walsh

The Island
Tues 24th: Christmas Eve: Mass at 6.00pm: Mass & Blessing of Crib. Dan and Mary Fogarty and their son Martin Castletown
Wed 25th: Christmas Day: Mass at 10am: Special Intention. Mass Bouquets
Sat 28th: 6pm Mass Bouquets

Mucklagh
Tues 24th: Christmas Eve: Mass at 4.00pm: Children's Mass of the Nativity
Tues 24th: Christmas Eve: Mass at 7.30pm: Mass and Blessing of the Crib.
Wed 25th: Christmas Day: Mass 9.00am: The Galvin family, Tullamore & the White family, Screggan
Wed 25th: Christmas Day: Mass at 12noon: Sean Murray, Ballyshannon
Thurs 26th: Feast of St Stephen Mass at 9am Mass Bouquets
Fri 27th St John the Apostle Mass at 9am &**Mass at 7.30pm** Carthage Condron m.m
Saturday 28th: 7.30pm: Breda and Pat Joe Conroy and their great grandchild Patrick and deceased relatives
Sun 29th: 9am: Mass Bouquets
Sun 29th: 12noon: Lucy Kenehan 1st Anniv. And her parents Mary and Eddie, Bessy Flanagan

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Adoration: Please Note No Adoration for the next 2 weeks
Please Pray R.I.P

Christmas Mass Schedule
Christmas Eve 4pm in Mucklagh
Christmas Eve 6pm in The Island
Christmas Eve 7.30pm Mass Mucklagh
Christmas Eve 9pm in Killina **Candlelit**
Christmas Day 9am in Mucklagh **Christmas Day** 10am in The Island
Christmas Day 10.30am in Killina
Christmas Day 12 noon Mass in Mucklagh

Fàilte-Welcome-Bienvenida-Witaj- Sveiki- Swagatham Bienvenue-Benvenuto! Kaije
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 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.

Lotto's Shamrock's 12, 15, 21. Bonus 8. **Mucklagh**: 2, 6, 14, 30
Shamrock's G.A.A Road Puck: St Stephens Day starting from at 11am from the Thatch. Senior Teams €40 and Juvenile Team €20 . Refreshments in the Thatch
Thanks to members of Shamrock's Ladies Football Club for donation of presents to residents in St, Carthages Nursing home for Christmas.
Christmas Offerings: Offering Envelopes available at back of church or in yearly box of envelopes. Or use an ordinary envelope and put your name on it and box number if you have one.

Parish Pilgrimage from 2nd - 9th October2025 will be to Venice, Padua, Treviso and Burano .**Cost €1,060** to include all dinners boat trips, coaching tours, and return flights . We will be joined on the Pilgrimage by 40 members of the Meath Diocesan Choir. 40 places are also available to our own parishioners and friends. Early booking is recommended. Contact Laura **057 9355050** (Mon to Fri,) 9am to 5pm
Thanks to all who helped with the Christmas ceremonies in our church: Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Society, Soloists Choirs, Church Cleaners, Altar Servers, Collectors, Sacristans and Caretakers
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 & 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 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 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. **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.
Rahan Comhaltas Table Quiz: Fri 27th Dec at 8.30pm in The Thatch, Rahan. In aid of Friends of Tullamore Hospittal. Table of 4 €40. All welcome

Parish Office: will reopen on Thursday 2nd January from 9am-
Dates for your Diaries Like last year a Parish Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help will be held on the 4 Tuesdays of February 4th 11th 18th and 25th in Mucklagh church at 7.30pm with 4 visiting speakers. Lots of nice singing , prayers, readings and reflections .Please keep those Tuesday nights of February free
A Reflection -The Present ;The poor little boy was as sad as could be. He had no present for under the tree. "Oh, my Mammy and Daddy work so hard for me, I have nothing to give them to thank them you see." But, later, alone, on his small little bed, he took bright coloured paper and long bits of thread. And he tied up a parcel with nothing inside, and he crept down the stairs when the parcel was tied. When he woke the next day, he went down to the tree, he saw Mammy and Daddy as glad as could be, "We got perfume, a tie and a clock for the shelf, but your present is special, you made it yourself. And your bright little parcel, all tied up and small, was filled up with love, the best present of all. **Christy Kenneally**
St.Carthages Nursing Home is celebrating 25 years in our community . Catherine Murphy O Connor would like to thank the community for their support over the years , All management and staff wish everyone a very happy peaceful Christmas and joyous new year