

Rahan Parish Fr. Michael PP 087-2900844 Fr. Frank 057 9378181. Mucklagh Secretary 057 93 78181. Wed 9am-5pm 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 26th January 2025

Killina Sunday of the Word of God

Sun 26th: 10.30am: Reuben Kennedy Anniversary, Fr Seamus Dunican Tues 28th: 7.30pm: Pat Joe and Anna Corcoran, their sons Camillus

and Anthony and daughter Ann

Thurs 23rd: 7.30pm: Intentions of the Sick

Fri 31st: 9.30am: First Friday for Lists of the Dead

Sat 1st Mass at 10..30am Feast of St Brigid Blessing of Brigid's Crosses

Sun 3rd: 10.30am Joe and Margaret Keyes and Deceased family members Feast of

**Presentation of Lord** Candlemas and Blessing of Candles

The Island

Sat 25th: 6pm Christmas Mass Bouquets

Fri 31st: 6pm: Vigil of Saint Brigid and First Friday Blessing of Brigid's Crosses Sat 1st: 6pm: Vigil of Feast of Presentation of Lord Candlemas & Blessing Candles

Mucklagh

Saturday 25th: 7.30pm: Tony Claffey Blueball also remembering Aishling Murphy

Sun 26th: 9am: Michael Carter Charleville Road Sun 26th: 12noon: Intentions of Parishioners Wed 29th: 7.30pm: Christmas Mass Bouquets Thurs 30th: 9am: Christmas Mass Bouquets

Fri 31st: 7.30pm First Friday for Brigid Mahon and Lists of the Dead

Sat 1st Feb: Mass at 10am Feast of Saint Brigid Blessing of Brigid's Crosses Saturday 1st: 7.30pm: Vigil of Feast of Presentation of Lord Blessing of Candles Jack Galvin Cloonagh, Margaret Owens and her parents Martin and Rose Geoghegan and Deceased members of the Clarke and Owens families St Colman's Terrace. Ivan Conrov

Sun 2nd: 9am: Intentions of Parishioners Sun 2nd: 12noon: Seamus Cahir Ballard

St Blaise: Monday week 3rd Feb, Blessing of Throats in our churches

Offertory/Plate: Killina €275 The Island €200 Mucklagh €930 **Development:** Killina & The Island €558 Mucklagh €1,480 If you wish to donate online, Account Name: St Carthage's Church Current Account IBAN IE30 BOFI 9019 0938 7088 72 BIC: BOFIIE2D

Pease pray Al Conroy, Mary Jaffray, sister of Ned Dunne, Tullamore, Martin (Rocky) Cummins, Ballycowan Sean Carton Killurin father of Eoin (Killina Secondary School)

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...

February Offerings for the support of the Priests due next weekend. Offerings can be given in envelope from box of envelopes or in an ordinary envelope marked "Priests Offerings" with your name and address on it

Bottles of Holy Water & Family Prayer Cards are available for people to bring home, Please keep Prayer Card & Holy Water in a prominent place for regular use

Lotto's: Shamrock's 11, 24, 28. Bonus 10. Mucklagh: 1, 7, 13, 19

This Sunday 26th Jan at 4pm, there will be a celebration of vespers in Mullingar Cathedral with the religious, the priests, sisters & brothers of the diocese. All welcome

Rahan Parish Christmas / Valentines Dinner Sun 16th February at 2pm. Holy Hour in Mucklagh church from 6.30pm to 7.30pm next Friday the First Friday



**CANDLEMAS** 

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 Lots of nice singing, prayers, readings and reflections Speaker on February 4th will be Fr. Denis Luddy, Redemptorist Our Speaker on February 11th will be Fr. Paul Crosbie, P.P. Trim Our Speaker on February 18th will be Fr Barry Condron Our Speaker on February 25th will be Elaine Campbell, wife, mother and Director of Faith Formation in Meath Diocese

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 available at church doors & can be returned to boxes in any of our churches Word of God Sunday Logo An encounter with Jesus on the road to Emmaus was chosen as the official logo for the worldwide celebration of the Sunday of the Word of God today This is an icon of Our Resurrected Lord on the road to Emmaus with two disciples. Jesus is holding a scroll in his left hand representing the fulfillment of Sacred Scripture in Him One of the disciples Cleopas, is holding a walking stick which shows he is on a pilgrimage. The light above Cleopas represents Christ as the Light of the World guiding us through Sacred Scripture as we make our way on our earthly pilgrimage, absorbing the light and reflecting that light to others as we share the Good News of Jesus Christ. Mary is holding one hand upward and with her other hand seems to be touching the Lord, reaffirming that he has fulfilled the ancient promises and is the living Word that must be proclaimed to the world

Prayer to Saint Brigid: Feast Day on Saturday next

Saint Brigid. You were a woman of peace. You brought harmony where there was conflict. You brought light to the darkness. You brought hope to the downcast. May the mantle of your peace cover those who are troubled and anxious, and may peace be firmly rooted in our hearts and in our world. Inspire us to act justly and to reverence all God has made. Brigid you were a voice for the wounded and the weary. Strengthen what is weak within us. Calm us into a quietness that heals and listens. May we grow each day into greater wholeness in mind, body and spirit. See Mass Time opposite Saint Bridget's Crosses If anyone can make Bridget's Crosses for those ill or can supply rushes for schools much appreciated We are seeking help of extra volunteers to help in our parish and its churches In particular we seek additional help in following areas 1 Minister of the Eucha-

rist, 2. Minister of the Word Youths and Adult 3 Choir Music: Join Adult choir or play music to accompany Choir or help in forming a Folk Choir or children's choir, 4 Help with Collection at Mass 5 Altar Society and Church Decoration 6 Church Cleaning 7 Distribution of Parish Envelopes / Information to Households **8** Youth Ministry Nurturing faith of young people **9** Altar Serving for those from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Class 10 Give time to Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 11 Parish Pastoral Assembly: Help with Building up Parish into a vibrant Parish and help parishioners grow in relationship with God and with one another. As priests it is an honor to serve our 3 churches and the people of our parish and we are very grateful to all who already help in these ministries. However any additional help in any of the above areas would be much appreciated. If you wish to discuss further please contact either Fr Michael or Fr Frank . Saint Paul reminded us last Sunday that all of us have been given gifts by the Holy Spirit for the benefit of church, community and the common good of all. There is a wide scope of ministries in the parish which everybody can choose from. Forms available at the entrance to Churches which you can take home and think about how you could help out and return to any of churches or Mucklagh Parochial House asap

Rahan Drama Play 'Pretend Sick' in Rahan Hall, Fri/Sat/Sun 14/15/16 March,