



**Novena to  
Our Mother  
of  
Perpetual  
Help**

**Rahan Parish**  
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7th Sunday in Ordinary Time 23rd February 2025



**Lotto's: Shamrock's** 4, 10, 30. Bonus 3. **Mucklagh:** 2, 3, 18, 21

**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

**Killina**

**Sun 23rd: 10.30am:** Ann Doherty m.m. her husband Charlie and grandson Ben  
**Tues 25th No Mass 7. 30pm** Parish Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Mucklagh  
**Thurs 27th: 7.30pm:** Lists of the Dead  
**Sun 2nd March 10.30am** Mary Buckley m.m.  
**The Island**  
**Sat 22nd: 6pm** Parish Novena Intentions  
**Sat 1st March 6pm** Lists of the Dead

*Be merciful, just as  
your Father is  
merciful.*  
Luke 6:36

**Mucklagh**

**Sat 22nd: 7.30pm** Babies Cedhla and Croia m.m. Bethan Mooney 1st Anniversary  
**Sun 23rd: 9am:** Parish Novena Intentions  
**Sun 23rd: 12noon:** Maeve Burke m.m her husband Joe Anniversary. Kathleen and John Flanagan Margaret Mannion , Patrick and Emily Lambe their son Gussie their daughters Sr Pacificque, Sr Alberta, Josie Lambe and her husband Pat and daughter Aggie  
**Tues 25th: 7. 30pm** Parish Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
**Wed 26th: 7.30pm:** Lists of the Dead  
**Thurs 27th: 9am:** Parish Novena Intentions  
**Fri 28th: 7.30pm:** Rosemary Brennan, Clonaslee formerly Lynally John (Sonny) Monaghan Melrose , Screggan  
**Sat 1st: 7.30pm** Eileen Daly m.m. Bridie Brassil m.m. also remembering her husband Joe, Colin Dunne and Marie Farrell, Terry and Margaret Kelly and their daughter Siobhan  
**Sun 2nd March 9am:** Parish Novena Intentions  
**Sun 2nd 12noon:** Carmel Kinahan, John Carroll, St Colman's Terrace  
**Development: Killina & The Island €155 Mucklagh €723**  
**Offertory /Plate: Killina €366 The Island €145 Mucklagh €855**  
**If you wish to donate online, Account Name: St Carthage's Church**  
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**Pray** for John Monaghan Booterstown, Dublin and formerly Screggan, Pat Harnett Charleville View, Brian Connolly, Clara, Margaret Doolan, Rhode sister of Jo Kelly RIP  
**February Offerings** due this month Offerings can be given in envelope from box of envelopes or an envelope marked "Priests Offerings" with your name and address on it  
**Parish Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help** concludes next Tuesday February 25th at 7.30pm .**Our Speaker on Tuesday next February 18th will be Elaine Campbell** Director of Faith Formation in Meath Diocese. Lots of nice singing, prayers, readings and reflections. Novena Prayer / Hymn books available for all, **This Tuesday will be especially focused on Mary as a person of faith whose example of faith and Christian living we can all copy and imitate. As a wife and parent Elaine will speak about handing on the faith to our children and about encouraging our children and young people to live as people of faith in our world today,** As our children continue their preparation for the Sacraments of Confirmation we invite them and their families to join us next Tuesday evening. for this special event. We encourage people to come along and to especially pray for children and grandchildren that they may continue to be guided by the Holy Spirit. Please put their names on prayers of petition available in churches.  
**A Collection** will be taken up on the last night to defray costs of the Novena which include, Donations to speakers, Cost of Novena prayer books which people are free to bring home **A Cup of Tea** will be served afterwards in the Community Center

**Rahan Hall Social Dance this Saturday 22nd at 9.30pm Adm€10 Music by John Molloy**

**Today's Gospel: Forgiveness and Love** We are all human and we can all make mistakes and need forgiveness. These mistakes lead to disagreement, resentment, sorrow, or a sense of betrayal. But forgiveness is human too. To forgive does not mean that you condone wrongdoing. If someone has hurt or betrayed you it takes a bigger person to forgive and let go of any hatred or resentment. You cannot control how other people may hurt you but you can control how you deal with it. Though it can feel very comforting or powerfully releasing to be forgiven, make no mistake, we do not forgive for the other person; we forgive for ourselves. Forgiveness is for our own growth and happiness. When we hold on to hurt, pain, resentment, and anger it harms us far more than it harms the offender. Forgiveness frees us to live in the present. Reliving the wrong that was done to us keeps us living in the past and missing today's beauty. You may think of God as the final dispenser of forgiveness, but we too have the power to forgive. We may find it difficult at times to pray the Our Father: "And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." God stands ready and willing to forgive us, but asks that we extend the same forgiveness to others first. If we have resentment and bitterness in our hearts, it's time to give it over to God. Let Him heal us and give us the ability to forgive. Only with the power of God and the Holy Spirit working in our lives can we love and forgive others.

**We are seeking help of extra volunteers to help in our parish and its churches** 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



**Rahan Mens Shed** meet on Friday in Rahan Hall at 10am, An opportunity for chats ,laughs, projects and a cup of tea . New members very welcome . We are holding a **Fundraising Table Quiz** on Friday the 7th March in the Thatch at 8,30pm .Table of 4 € 40 .

**Rahan Drama** present 3-act comedy 'Pretend Sick' in Rahan Hall, 14/15/16 March at 8pm. Tickets on sale. Ring Deirdre to book ticket at 086 0886648

**Cemetery Devotions Mucklagh Sunday 8th June** Mass at 6pm **Rahan Fri 15th August** Mass at 7pm. **Killickfehan Saturday 23rd August** Mass at 6pm

**World Day of Prayer Service** Church of Assumption Tullamore on Friday week 7th March at **6 pm.**



**Rahan Hall** are celebrating 50 years this year. To mark the contribution of the hall to community life the Committee are holding **A Mid Summer Nights Celebration** of music, dance and food in the Hall on Saturday 21st June 2025 Music with Adrian Rabbitte. **Rahan Hall A.G.M** in the hall on this **Monday 24th @ Feb 8.30pm.**

It is very important that a representative of all groups who use the hall attend.

**Daffodil Day** Volunteers Required for Daffodil Day on Friday 28th March Launch on Friday 7th March in the Bridge House at 7,30pm Contact Maureen on 068 3682582