



Rahan Parish
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 Secretary 0579378181. Wed 9am-5pm
 Easter Sunday 20th April 2025

Killina Easter Sun 20th: 10.30 am Mass of Lord's Resurrection Sr. Oliver Wrafter
Tues 22nd: 7.30pm: Joe Craven and Deceased family members

Thurs 24th: No evening Mass

Divine Mercy Sunday 27th: 10.30 am Eileen and Dinny Kelly Goldsmiths Lot

The Island:

Holy Saturday 19th: 6pm Celebration of Easter Vigil & Our Lord's Resurrection
 Agnes and John Sammon and daughter Nuala and husband Sammy

Divine Mercy Weekend Sat 26th 6pm Hubert Healy Ballina Ballycumber

Mucklagh

Holy Saturday 19th: 7.30pm Celebration of Easter Vigil & Our Lord's Resurrection
 Oliver Murray m.m

Easter Sunday 20th: 5.30am Outdoor Dawn Mass Our Lord's Resurrection

Easter Sunday 20th: 9am Mass of Lord's Resurrection The White Family Screggan

Easter Sunday 20th: 12 noon Mass of Our Lord's Resurrection Paddy and Eileen
 Bracken Roscore, Kevin Smyth Charleville View

Mon 21st Bank Holiday Mass at 10am

Wed 23rd 7.30pm Patsy and Kathleen Rigney Killina

Thursday 24th 9am Special Intention

Fri 25th 7.30pm Rosie and John Horan O' Moore Street Tullamore

Divine Mercy Weekend Sat 26th 7.30pm Joe Neville Lynally, Celine Larkin

Divine Mercy Sunday 27th 9am Intentions of Parishioners

Divine Mercy Sunday 27th 12noon John Joe and Elsie Lambe

Divine Mercy Sunday 3pm Divine Mercy Devotions **Confessions 2.30pm**

Development: Killina & The Island €363 Mucklagh €638

Plate Collection Killina €400 The Island €195 Mucklagh €990
 Tullamore

Divine Mercy Novena started Good Friday and continues to next Sunday when
 there will be Mass and Devotions in Mucklagh church at 3pm . Confessions at 2.30pm

Easter Offerings for the support of the Priests due this weekend. Please use envelope
 from box of envelopes or an envelope and mark "Easter Offerings" with name on it

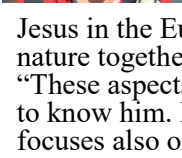
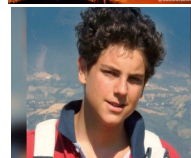
Trócaire Lenten Campaign Contributions to Trocaire can be returned to Churches
 or Mucklagh Parochial House. Those in poorer countries of the world need our support to
 have basic necessities of water, food, clothing, shelter to survive. We encourage each
 individual and households to give what you can to Trocaire's Lenten Appeal. We give
 simply so that others may simply live

Holy Water The new water of Easter will be blessed during the Easter Vigil on Holy
 Saturday. We ordered **800** portable bottles so that you can take holy water home this
 weekend . They remind us of the link between the new water of Easter and the life of
 grace into which we are reborn by our baptism.

Thanks to all who helped with the Easter Ceremonies in our churches. A special
 thanks to Altar Servers, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Society, Organist, Choir,
 Musicians , Caretakers ,Collectors , Counters and Sacristans.

Flowers for Easter: Thanks for all donations of flowers received for our churches

Fr Michael and Fr Frank wish a Happy Easter to all our parishioners and friends
Shamrocks Golf Classic Fri 25th April in Tullamore Golf Club Team of 3 €150.



Lotto's: Shamrock's 12, 14, 22. Bonus 9. **Mucklagh:** 5, 16, 26, 30

Easter is a promise that no matter how dark the world may seem and no matter how heavy the burdens one carries, victory belongs to the Risen Christ and to all who believe in him, Pope Francis said. "Let us lift our eyes to him and ask that the power of his resurrection may roll away the heavy stones that weigh down our souls," In his homily, Pope Francis asked the congregation to think about what the women who had gone to Jesus' tomb to anoint his body must have been thinking and feeling. The tears of Good Friday are not yet dried; they are grief-stricken overwhelmed by the sense that all has been said and done," the pope said. And, according to the Gospel of Mark, they are worried about being able to move the stone away so they can anoint Jesus' body. "That stone marked the end of Jesus' story, now buried in the night of death," the pope said. "He, the life that came into the world, had been killed. He, who proclaimed the merciful love of the Father, had met with no mercy. He, who relieved sinners of the burden of their condemnation, had been condemned to the cross." "There are times when we may feel that a great stone blocks the door of our hearts, stifling life, extinguishing hope, imprisoning us in the tomb of our fears and regrets, and standing in the way of joy and hope," he said. Those "tombstones," he said, can come with the death of a loved one, a failure to do good, a missed chance to build a more just society and "in all our aspirations for peace that are shattered by cruel hatred and the brutality of war." But the Gospel says that when the women "looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back." "This is the Pasch of Christ, the revelation of God's power: the victory of life over death, the triumph of light over darkness, the rebirth of hope amid the ruins of failure," Pope Francis said. "It is the Lord, the God of the impossible, who rolled away the stone forever." "Even now," the pope said, "he opens our tombs so that hope may be born ever anew. We too, then, should 'look up' to him." "If we allow Jesus to take us by the hand, no experience of failure or sorrow, however painful, will have the last word on the meaning and destiny of our lives," he said.

Henceforth, if we allow ourselves to be raised up by the Risen Lord, no setback, no suffering, no death will be able to halt our progress toward the fullness of life." "Let us welcome Jesus, the God of life, into our lives, and today once again say 'yes' to him," Pope Francis said. "Then no stone will block the way to our hearts, no tomb will suppress the joy of life, no failure will doom us to despair." **Easter 2024**

Easter Sunday Outdoor Dawn Mass at 5.30am for all parishioners and friends will be offered in unused part of Mucklagh New Cemetery at which we will be remembering and praying for all who died since last Easter and those laid to rest in all our parish cemeteries.

Blessed Carlo Acutis will be canonized a Saint next Sunday in Rome during the Jubilee of Teenagers. This will make him the first millennial saint in the Catholic Church. Pope Francis said that Blessed Carlo Acutis shows young people that "the fullness of life" in today's world is found in following Jesus. "His background from a Catholic, but not devout Catholic family; his devotion to and love of Jesus in the Eucharist together with his concern and love for the poor; his playful nature together with his enthusiasm for spreading the faith and lack of fear to do so. "These aspects of his life, together with others, resonate deeply with those who come to know him. It's very fitting that he will be canonised during the Jubilee Year that focuses also on hope."

Parish Finances This year we have decided not to go ahead with the Parish Golf Classic. However if people who normally contributed to the Golf Classic as part of their yearly contribution to parish funds still wish to donate at this time it will still be most welcome. **Donations to Parish Funds envelopes available at back of churches**