

Rahan Parish
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28th Sunday in OrdinaryTime 12th October 2025

<u>Killina</u> Sun 12th 10.30am Prisoners Sunday Feast of Saint Carlo Acutis Tuesday 14th 7.30pm Feast of St Callistus

Thursday 16th 7.30pm Feast St Margaret Mary Alacoque. World Food Day Sun 19th 10.30am Mission Sunday Intentions of Parishioners

The Island

Sat 11th: 6pm: Peter, Rita and Danny Egan Deerpark Feast of Saint Carlo Acutis Sat 18th: 6pm: Joe, Mary and Gus Lowry and deceased relatives, Castletown

Mucklagh

Sat 11th 7.30pm Bridget Boyle Ward m.m, Joe Mc Keown, Elvis Tierney, his father Pat and grandparents Peter and Julie

Sun 12th 9am Deceased of the Maher and Byrne Families Feast of Saint Carlo Acutis

Sun 12th 12noon Ger Glavin 1st Anniversary, Feast of Saint Carlo Acutis

Mon 13th 7.30pm Intentions of Parishioners

Tue 14th 9am Feast of St Callistus

Wed 15th 7.30pm Patsy Condron, Bunatern and Kay Condron, Holmshill Thurs 16th 9am Feast St Margaret Mary Alacoque. World Food Day

Fri 17th 7.30 pm John Mahon

Sat 18th 7.30pm Jimmy and Bridget Healion, Glaskill, The O' Kelly Family

Sun 19th 9am Mission Sunday Intentions of the Sick

Sun 19th 12noon Mission Sunday Joan Doyle

Plate Collection Killina € 205 The Island €100 Mucklagh €1,150 Development Fund Killina and The Island €209 Mucklagh €681

Pray for Carmel Fox, Ross, Screggan, Sonny Lloyd, Adam's Villas, Timmy Grogan, Leamore, Blueball, Peter Waters, Coolnahiley, Bridget Coady, Mountbolus RIP

Rahan Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje 14th to 21st April 2026 Price €845 per person sharing. Single room supplement of €280 Price includes all flights, 7 nights in 4 Star Hotel with breakfasts & dinners. Full religious programme, services of a guide .Contact Kieran or Laura at 057 9355050 or text or whatsapp 085 1792364

A Jubilee Year of Hope Fundraising Concert in Mucklagh Church on Friday 7th November at 8pm .Simon Casey will be preceded by the Offaly County Council Choir. Funds raised will go towards a new heating system for the Island Church, the continued development of both Mucklagh and Killina churches and the development of a New Parish Office .Donations of Sponsorship towards Concert of €500 (Main Sponsors) or €50 or €100 from households, businesses individuals and families welcome. Thanks to Phil O'Reilly Undertakers who has offered main sponsorship . However more main sponsors are welcome. Donation Envelopes and invitation letters to sponsors available in our 3 churches Tickets €20 There are 550 tickets in circulation at present and ticket sales are going very well, Meeting of Ticket Distributors on this Monday 13th October in Mucklagh church at 8.15pm (After Mass) Many Thanks

Peace in Gaza Thankfully this week a ceasefire was announced in Gaza. Prayer God of peace, bearer of hope, we seek your continued help for the peoples of the Middle East. Quiet the clamour of war and guide us towards lasting peace. Where there is hatred and division sow seeds of calm and openness. Where there is destruction help us to rebuild. Where children are crying bring an end to tears. Shelter your peoples and protect them Guide them and keep them from harm. Show us how to break down the barriers of history and fear and breathe whispers of hope. Amen.

Shamrock's Lotto 5, 22, 27, 5 Next Jackpot €10,800 Match 3 €500 Mucklagh Community Center Lotto: 1, 6, 30, 32

Today's Gospel: One day David gave alms to a poor man he met on the street. As he walked away he began to glow with self satisfaction. But then a shadow passed over him - he remembered that the poor man hadn't thanked him. Later he related the incident to his rabbi. The rabbi listened patiently, then said, "How did you feel when you gave the alms?" "I felt very pleased with myself", David replied. "Wasn't that sufficient reward for you?" "I still think he might have thanked me", David persisted. "Surely you don't want to be thanked for behaving, as a religious man should? By the way, did you thank God?"For what?" asked David in surprise. "For giving you an opportunity of being an instrument of his love towards a fellow human being, the reply.



October is World Mission Month As the Church prepares to celebrate World Mission Sunday 2025 on October 19, Pope Francis before his passing has given us a powerful theme that resonates deeply in this Jubilee Year: "Missionaries of Hope Among All Peoples." In his message, the Holy Father reminds us that hope is at the heart of the Christian mission, calling every baptised person to be "messengers"

and builders of hope" in a world that often finds itself overshadowed by uncertainty and despair. Reflecting on the significance of this Jubilee Year, Pope Francis urges us to keep our gaze fixed on Christ, the centre of history, emphasising that His mission continues today through the Church: "Through his disciples, sent to all peoples and mystically accompanied by him, the Lord Jesus continues his ministry of hope for humanity. He still bends over all those who are poor, afflicted, despairing and oppressed, and pours upon their wounds the balm of consolation and the wine of hope."



Hawthorn to Celtic High Cross: Please join us for the dedication celebration of St. Carthage's Church new Celtic High Cross, crafted from the hawthorn tree lost during Storm Darragh in 2024. Date: Sunday 26th October, 2025 at 4pm in Ancient Church of St. Carthage, Rahan. Teas and refreshments will be served



Mission Sunday: As we journey through the month of October, we enter a special period of reflection and action for our Church's missionary efforts worldwide. World Mission Sunday, which will be celebrated on Sunday next, October 19th, is a special day that unites Catholics worldwide in prayer, solidarity, and support for the

Church's mission efforts. This year's theme, chosen by Pope Francis, is rooted in the Gospel "Missionaries of Hope Among All Peoples" reflecting the gospel's message of hope as a source of "light for our world". The Mission Sunday collection next weekend will go to support this missionary work. Please give what you can. We encourage no church gate collection next weekend. The Second Collection as people leave Mass will support this missionary work. Please also use envelope which is now included in yearly box of envelopes.



Lists of the Dead Envelopes are available at the doors of our churches. Those whose names are on the Lists of the Dead will be remembered in Masses on 1st and 2nd November and all First Friday Masses during the year Please return envelope to Church or Parish office as soon as possible

St Colman's N.S Mucklagh Enrolment 2025/26: Enrolment forms can be downloaded from our website www.mucklaghns.ie or can be collected from the school office Rahan Drama AGM on Wed 15th October at 7.30pm in Island church meeting room Rahan Hall Table Quiz in the Thatch, Rahan on Friday next 17th October at 8.30pm. Table of 4 €40 See new face book page for further details Scoil Carthage Naofa Parents Association Tractor Run on Sunday 26th October Regisration 12 noon Start Time 2pm