

PALM SUNDAY



Rahan Parish
Fr. Michael 087-2900844
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Secretary 0579378181. Wed 9am-5pm
Palm Sunday 29th March 2026

Killina Palm Sunday Sun 29th 10.30am

Tues 31st Mass: at 7.30pm: Intentions of the Sick

Holy Thursday 2nd: 8pm Evening Mass of The Lord's Supper

Good Friday 3rd: 8pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion & Communion

Easter Sunday 5th: 10.30 am Mass of Our Lord's Resurrection

The Island

Palm Sunday Sat 28th 6pm Intentions of the Sick

Holy Thursday 2nd : 6pm Evening Mass of The Lord's Supper

Good Friday 3rd: 6pm Prayer around the cross and Holy Communion

Holy Saturday 4th 6pm Easter Vigil & Our Lord's Resurrection Paddy Daly and his parents Mary and Patrick, Agnes and John Sammon daughter Nuala and husband Sammy

Mucklagh

Palm Sunday Sat 28th : 7.30pm Jim and Elizabeth Coyne,

Palm Sunday Sun 29th 9.00am Intentions of Parishioners

Palm Sunday Sun 29th 12noon Martin Manley

Mon 30th : 7.30pm **Tues 31st 9am**

Wed 1st 9am Intentions of Eucharistic Adoration Groups of 3 churches. Cup of tea after Mass in Community Centre **Wed 1st 7pm** Chrism Mass in Mullingar

Holy Thursday 2nd 7.30pm Mass of The Lord's Supper Joseph and Annie Malone Ballard

Good Friday 3rd: 3pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion and Holy Communion

Good Friday 3rd: 7.30pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday 4th 7.30pm Celebration of Easter Vigil & Our Lord's Resurrection

Easter Sunday 5th: 5.30am Outdoor Dawn Mass Our Lord's Resurrection

Easter Sunday 5th 9am Mass of Our Lord's Resurrection

Easter Sunday 5th 12 noon Mass of Our Lord's Resurrection Eileen and Paddy Bracken Roscoe, Martin Conroy and his parents Denis and Katie Conroy and brothers, John, Bernie and Denis, Eileen Lucey Mucklagh

Plate Collection Killina €245 The Island €120 Mucklagh €1,120

Development Fund Killina & The Island €245 Mucklagh €1.127

Please Pray for Dylan Gallagher-O'Sullivan. Pullough Ann McKeigue, Tullamore Mary Murray, Four Roads, Roscommon mother of Pdraig, teacher in Killina Secondary school

Holy Thursday There will be an opportunity in our 3 churches to stay and keep watch with the Lord for one hour after the ceremonies.

Holy Thursday We invite children preparing for First Holy Communion to join us especially on Holy Thursday for the celebration of the Last Supper

Holy Thursday A Special Collection will be taken up at all the Services on Holy Thursday to support churches and Christians of Holy Land at a time of great need for them

Divine Mercy Novena starts Good Friday and continues to First Sunday after Easter when there will be **Divine Mercy Devotions in Mucklagh church at 3pm.**

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

Easter Sunday: Outdoor Dawn Mass at 5.30am Mass 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. . To Mass we invite people to bring a seat, and an umbrella if necessary but if weather is very wet we will go into the church. Cup of tea afterwards in Community Centre



Shamrock's Lotto 8, 13, 25, 4 **Mucklagh Community Lotto:** 16, 23, 29, 30
Golf Classic Sat 4th April Esker Hills 3 ball scramble €150 Contact Gerry 087 9290722.
25 Card Game Rahan Hall Good Friday 9.30pm pm €1,500 prizes Sponsorship welcome
Statue of Our Lady in Mucklagh church has been taken away for repainting
New Holy water Containers have been purchased for each of our churches

Flowers for Easter: All donations of flowers or small potted plants welcome for our three churches and can be left at the churches on Good Friday

Sacrament of Confirmation: Congratulations to the 67 Children of our Parish Schools who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Tuesday last **Thanks** to the children's parents and teachers who helped them prepare. Thanks also to all involved in providing music for the ceremony and all who helped with having the church, grounds and interior of church looking so well.

Holy Week This week we see Jesus being mocked, tortured, hurt, ridiculed, beaten and killed. We notice his fear in the garden of his agony, and also his willingness to go to the end for what he believes in and sees as his mission in life. We see him being treated unjustly, and a notorious thief being chosen over him for release. We see him on the cross, when he seems to feel neglected by his Father. We notice also the help he received - the silent sympathy and love of his mother, Simon's help in carrying the cross, the sympathy of the 'daughters and children of Jerusalem', and even the faith of the Roman who said he was a good man, a 'son of God'. We wonder about how Jesus felt with the mockery and also with the help he received. We can identify with much of his suffering, in our own lives and the lives of people close to us. He is the one who 'has endured the cross This week we can take comfort and consolation from the fact that he identifies with the suffering of the human race, and that his resurrection is the basis of our faith, hope and love. **This week look at or imagine a crucifix, and pray as you feel drawn. Lord, by your cross and resurrection, you have set us free; you are the Saviour of the world.**

Today we have **Palm Crosses** for people to bring home for use at home, in place of work, around our farms as we pray God's blessings and protection.

A Prayer on Palm Sunday Loving Father, with palm branches we recall when Jesus was welcomed by crowds into the city of Jerusalem. Bless us with your Spirit as we prepare to journey through Holy Week. May we find time to listen again to the story of the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus. There, may we discover the love of God, for each of us which knows no bounds. We bring with us our suffering and pain, our worry and loss and the suffering, pain, worry and loss of the whole world at this time. May we hear proclaimed this coming Easter Day that Jesus is risen! May we have our hope renewed in God who brings good out of bad and even life out of death. Amen

First Friday Calls to the sick and housebound will take place on Monday in The Island, on Tuesday in Rahan and on Wednesday in Mucklagh. If anyone would like a visit please contact the Parish Office or either Priest.

Cemetery Devotions Mucklagh Cemetery Sunday 7th June at 6pm

Rahan Cemetery Saturday 15th August Mass at 7pm.

Killickfehan Cemetery Saturday 22nd August Mass at 6pm

Petitions for Lourdes can be placed in boxes in our 3 churches by Thursday

Trocaire Make a special effort for Lent by Supporting Trocaire and alleviating suffering for our worlds poorest in these times when American aid has dried up and greatly affected those suffering from diseases, malnutrition, displacement & starvation.

A DVD of the recent Rahan play 'The Two Loves of Gabriel Foley', can be ordered through Aidan Grennan, on 087 3153434. They cost €12 each.

Killina Church Clean Up Evening on Tuesday at 8pm (after Mass) All help welcome