

For where two
or three are
gathered
together in my
name, there am
I in the midst of
them.
Matthew 18:20

Rahan Parish

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Pastoral Area of Kilbeggan, Tullamore, Rahan, Kilcormac, Eglisli

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 6th September 2026



...if two of you on
earth agree about
anything they ask
for, it will be done
for them by my
Father in heaven.

Killina Sun 6th 10.30am Deceased of The Foran family,

Tues 8th 7.30pm Birthday of Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday 10th 7.30pm Feast of Saint Peter Claver

Sun 13th 10.30am Nuala, William and Peter Byrne and Deceased of the Byrne and Dolan Families

The Island Sat 5th 6pm David and Mary Conroy and sons Fr David and Stephen

Sat 12th 6pm Denis Higgins, his parents, Pat and Nan, his sister Ita, her husband Ron and all Deceased Relatives

Mucklagh

Sat 5th 7.30pm Ferdie Fitzmaurice 1st Anniv Mary and John Meehan

Sunday 6th 9am Pat Corcoran m.m.

Sunday 6th 12noon Peter and Phil Hussey

Wednesday 9th 7.30pm Feast of Saint Ciaran of Clonmacnoise

Thursday 10th 9am Feast of Saint Peter Claver

Fri 11th 10am Opening of School Year Mass for StColman's N.S.

Fri 11th 7.30pm Pauline Delaney

Sat 12th 7.30pm Paddy and Mary Fogarty, Lily Dunne Geashill 2nd Anniversary

Sunday 13th 9am Mary Keyes Killina 5th Anniversary .

Sunday 13th 12noon Agnes Brady, her husband Denis and son Din and all Deceased family members

Development: Killina & The Island €381 Mucklagh €640

Plate Collection Killina €240 The Island €€205 Mucklagh €875

We Remember Barbara Doyle, Charleville View .Sheila Dunne, Rahugh, mother of Edel Bracken, The Island, Phil O'Reilly Senior, Tullamore, Padraig Smyth, Kilbeggan, Willie Egan, Spollenstown R.I.P

Jesuit Cemetery Rahan This Monday 7th Mass at 6.45 pm Note Change of Time

Farnavilla Cemetery Saturday 12th September Mass at 2pm

National Ploughing Championships We invite children to 1 Draw a picture or make up a collage on the theme of ploughing or 2. Compose an acrostic poem based on word

Ploughing , Entries to be on an A4 page and laminated. Entries with persons name and age to be returned to child's /young persons school or parish office in Mucklagh by Wednesday 9th September at 6pm. All entries will be displayed in Mucklagh church for a Mass of Blessing for the Ploughing on Sat 12th Sept at 7.30pm .Details on parish website home page **National Ploughing Local Organising Meeting** will take place on Wednesday 9th September at 8.30pm in Tullamore Rugby Club to discuss the event .

September Offerings: Will be taken up at all Masses next weekend. Please use envelope from box of envelopes or an ordinary envelope with your name, address and envelope number if you have one. As always, thank you for your ongoing generosity

Meath Diocese Pioneers Afternoon of Prayer and Reflection, This Sunday 6th Sept Franciscan Friary, Multyfarnham, 2-5pm. All Pioneers are encouraged to attend.

St. Colmans N.S. Mucklagh invites applications for the position of Cleaner – minimum 15 hours. This position includes cleaning duties of the school, classrooms and general school building. Apply with CV to The Chairperson, St. Colmans N.S. Mucklagh R35HR63 email to jobs@mucklaghns.ie or contact 0579341244

Shamrock's G.A.A Lotto 5, 11, 27, 3 Mucklagh Community 5, 14, 18, 31

Rahan Hall Saturday 12th Sept Social Dancing with **Olivia Douglas** Adm €10

Sat 10th Oct Dancing to **T.R. Dallas Band** Hot Food Served Adm by ticket €20

The Cosy Café Kilbeggan meet on Tuesday 8th September in the Parish Centre Kilbeggan from 11 a.m - 1 p.m. Guest speaker is Darko Zrnica, from the Dementia Services Information and Development Centre, St. James's Hospital. We will have music, Occupational Therapy, tea/coffee and cakes.

Today's Gospel: Each Other's Keepers In any group, small and big, things cause friction. Everyone thinks his or her way is right. We can fight over who is right. Some things are worth a fight, others not. In the big questions of life, we need the advice, support and love of the other. Many people ask themselves, "Why I didn't give an honest opinion about a decision like marriage or a job or a course of studies which seemed ill-advised to everyone?" We all have good and not-so-good tendencies. We can only advise as best we can, sensitively and wisely, and hope we get a hearing. We are afraid to hurt, to be rejected. Why do we let so many people drink themselves into trouble and never tell them? The terror of a neighbourhood, no matter what age, needs to be confronted. The problem of drugs in a neighbourhood is not confronted. Crime is not reported. In small and big things we are each others' keepers. Jesus is saying something like that today. Parents can find this difficult as they try to guide the family well and not lose them. We have social responsibility in the family and in the neighbourhood and even worldwide in this Season Creation for the common good. God wants the best for each of us. We can help each other to goodness, we can support each other, advise each other, pray for and with each other, and help each other on our way to God.

Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes begins this Tuesday. Every Blessings to all traveling . May they come back to us renewed in faith and prayer, goodness, love and service **Petitions** A box will be available in each church up to Monday evening at 8pm into which people can place their petitions and they will be brought to Lourdes .

Mucklagh Social Lunch Club: In Mucklagh Community Centre on September 14th, at 12.30pm. Booking is required by phone/texting 085 231 3304 €10 per head **Opening of School Year Mass for St Colman's National School Mucklagh** on Friday next 11th September at 10am in Mucklagh church All parents, grandparents and family members very welcome

The Season of Creation The theme for 2026 is Living Water, inspired by the vision of hope and renewal found in the Book of Ezekiel: Living water flows from God's sanctuary, bringing healing and new life. The vision reminds us that water is not simply a resource to be used, but a gift from God that sustains people, communities and the whole of creation

Altar Servers: We are at present recruiting Altar Servers for the coming year. Those who serve are taken from 3rd class upwards Forms are being issued to both Rahan and Mucklagh schools If you do not attend either school and wish to serve please contact Fr. Michael. Thanks to those who continue to serve from last year.

The Jesuit Cemetery Rahan was established in 1874, and it is beside the rear avenue entrance of the College **42 Jesuits and one lay college worker are laid to rest there.** As we gather at their graves on next Monday evening it is an opportunity to remember and pray for deceased Jesuits who served our community and surrounding communities so well in kindness and helpfulness in faith and in prayer .

Mucklagh Tidy Towns Clean Up Evening on Tues 8th Meet at church at 7pm
Extra Hour of Adoration each Thursday in Mucklagh church from 6pm to 7pm

Cannonball Run 2026 will visit Tullamore next Friday 11th September