

RAHAN PARISH COMMUNITY

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

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2nd Sunday of Easter & Divine Mercy Sunday 3rd April 2016

In today's Gospel we hear that the disciples are locked away, afraid, closed off from the world. It is a dark situation to be in and they are most likely quite frightened. When Jesus is present with them, their hearts are opened again, they rejoice. 'Peace' (Shalom) is more than a wish for a good evening or peaceful day. It expresses the desire that the person receiving the blessing might be whole in body, mind and spirit. The Risen Jesus brings a peace that is life-giving.

KILLINA

Sunday 3rd 10.30am: Mass for Edward & Annie Larkin & deceased family members, Ballincloghan.

Tuesday 5th 7.30pm: -----

Wednesday 6th 9.00am: Mass in the Convent.

Friday 8th 9.00am: -----

Sunday 10th 10.30am: Mass for the Carroll Family, Glaskill.

THE ISLAND

Saturday 2nd 6.00pm: Mass for Edward & Mary Cornally, Ballina & the Cornally family, Dernagun

Saturday 9th 6.00pm: Mass for Jim & Kathleen Rigney, The Island & deceased family members.

MUCKLAGH CHURCH

Saturday 2nd 7.30pm: Mass for James Coyne, Brocca

Sunday 3rd 9.00am: -----

Sunday 3rd 12noon: Mass for James, Peter & Mary Dempsey, St. O' Hara's

Sunday 3rd 3.00pm: **Mass for the Feast of the Divine Mercy (prayers begin at 2.45pm)**

Tuesday 5th 9.00am: -----

Wednesday 6th 7.30pm: -----

Thursday 7th 9.00am: -----

Friday 8th 7.30pm: Mass for Sean & Julia O' Kelly & Fionan, Dolores & Aidan, Bunatarn

Saturday 9th 7.30pm: Mass for John Joe & Elsie Lambe, Roscore

Sunday 10th 9.00am: Mass for Isaac & Bridget Bryant, Cloonagh

Sunday 10th 12noon: Mass for Paddy Bracken, Roscore

Perpetual Adoration: of the Blessed Sacrament takes place:-

Killina Church - every Monday from 3pm to 10pm.

The Island - **postponed until further notice.**

Mucklagh - every Thursday from 9.30am to 8.00pm.

Holy Hour Convent, Killina - every Thursday - from 2pm to 3pm.

Feast of the Divine Mercy: April 3rd. Full celebrations in Mucklagh Church starting at 2.45pm with Mass at 3.00pm. The Novena of Chaplets starts on Good Friday. All are very welcome.

Offertory/Plate:	Killina €375.00	The Island €395.00	Mucklagh €1,198.00
Dev Fund:	Killina & The Island €240.00		Mucklagh €810.00
Trocaire:	Killina & The Island €1,535.00		Mucklagh €2,680.00

Our Parish Christian Community: Welcomes **Adam Thomas Conway**, Ardfert, Co. Kerry and **Amanda Maria Mihailova**, Tullamore who were baptised in St. Carthage's Church, Killina on the 27th March.

Eucharistic Ministers on Duty in Mucklagh for April: **Saturday 7.30pm:** 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th: Eileen Byrne, Maura Dolan & Sean Heaney. **Sunday 9.00am:** Jo. Kelly & Marie White. **Sunday 12noon:** Mary McDonnell, Teresa McMahan & Tom Cunningham.

Reminder Trocaire Boxes: Thanks for all your wonderful support of Trocaire. If you forgot to return your box, please bring to Masses next weekend.

Mucklagh Cemetery: Due to recent damage to graves, we ask that no dogs be allowed in the Cemetery. Thank You for your co-operation in this matter.

Killickfehan Cemetery: A Meeting of the Killickfehan Cemetery Committee will be held in the Island Chapel community room at 8.30pm on Tuesday April 5th. All are welcome.

Anam Cara: The organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Bereavement Information Evening on Wednesday 13th April from 7.30pm-9.30pm in the Mullingar Park Hotel. The guest speaker for the evening is Peter Hanlon, who facilitates the family bereavement camps at Barretstown Castle. All Anam Cara Services are available free of charge to bereaved parents. Anam Cara will need to confirm numbers for room set up, we would appreciate if you could RSVP to info@anamcara.ie before Tuesday, 12th April or call us on 01 404 5378.

Rahan Comhaltas News: It is proposed to have an Irish music session for all levels and ability in Esker Golf Club on Saturday the 2nd of April at 6pm starting with beginners at six and more advanced at 7pm onwards. This is changed from the advertised date which was the following day but due to circumstances beyond our control we had to move to Saturday. It is hoped to have these sessions for all levels on the first Sunday of each month from here on. All Irish traditional musicians are welcome to attend.

Rahan Drama Group's: production of 'My Wife's Family', arrives on the local stage of Rahan Parochial Hall this weekend, 1st, 2nd & 3rd April at 8.00pm. Tickets sales are going well, so don't miss out on a good laugh....086 0886648 is the booking number. Once again, the Drama Group thank their loyal team of volunteers who have assisted them, over the three nights.

Commemoration Day: We, the members of Rahan Hall Committee, would like to invite the whole Parish Community, to a Commemorative Ceremony to raise the National Flag, in commemoration of the 1916 Rising, and also reading of the Proclamation, on Sunday 24th April at 5pm, on the green area outside Rahan Community Centre. With Refreshments in the hall afterwards.

Mucklagh Community Development: Lotto: draw 29/03/16 no's drawn 04-10-23-25 No Jackpot winner. No match three winner. Next week's Jackpot €12,000 and Match three win/share €300. Thanks for all the continued support.

Community Games: The local community games swimming gala will be held on Sunday 10th April in the Aura Leisure Centre, Tullamore. Registration at 4:30pm and to commence at 5pm. Any child who wishes to enter a picture for the Art competition, please submit to your teacher or the school secretary on return to school on Monday 4th April. Draughts training will continue on Fridays, 8:15pm - 9:15pm in Mucklagh National School Prefab. Please check out our Facebook page for all updates.

Mucklagh Community Development: First event in Mucklagh Community Centre. An Auction will take place on **Saturday, April 30th**, in Mucklagh Community Centre at 2pm. If you have Saleable goods, from electric, electronics, garden, household, agriculture vouchers or services you would like to donate for our auction you may do so by contacting Alison O Kelly 087, 754 8981, Philip Barron, 087 362 5409, Sammy Mc Morris, 086 105 5720, John Leahy 087 207 3226. Email: mucklaghd@gmail.com or call to our centre from Monday - Friday 9.30 – 12.30. all funds raised will go towards Mucklagh Community centre.

Jubilee Year Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: will take place from Sept 12-17 and will be led by Bishop Smith. The fare is €719 for full board and inclusive of insurance and travel taxes. To book contact: Pilgrimages Abroad Ltd, Tel 01-6359300. In recent years many young people (18+) have travelled to Lourdes with the diocese seeking to find out more about this famous Shrine: to lend a hand to the pilgrims who are sick or infirmed, to look for some prayer space in busy lives and still to have a good time! Cost €450. If you are interested in travelling this September please contact email: meathyouth@gmail.com

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje: 14th-21st September. Tullamore and surrounding parishes. For more information contact Pat Kidney on 086 3192399 or 057 93 52553.

The Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration: invites all Parishioners on a **special Year of Mercy Pilgrimage** to Knock Shrine on **Sunday 24th April**. There is a full programme organised for Adults, Teens and Children. The launch of a National Crusade of Prayer for Vocations will take place at the 3 pm Mass. The programme begins at 11.30am. Bishop Kevin Doran is the chief celebrant and homilist Fr Declan Hurley will give a talk on 'Gazing at the face of Mercy' at 1.30pm in the Basilica. Local contact for transport is 057 93 51367 or 057 93 51923

Shamrock's Notes: Lotto: The numbers drawn were 8,15,18, 31. One match three Annette Hickey c/o C. Healion winning €200. Jackpot €9,600 next week and draw is in Kelly's Roadhouse next Monday. **Colin Dunne Golf Classic:** The Colin Dunne golf classic was a huge success this year. 52 teams took part which is the biggest number to take part ever. A lot of organisation went into it which could not have been done without the committee members. Thank you to everyone who took part, the sponsors, the committee members, Tullamore Golf Club, Kelly's Roadhouse and the Dunne family. The overall winners on the day were Colm Cassidy, Richelle O' Neill and Eileen Kinsella. **Underage Registration:** Registration evening for Shamrock's Underage players on Friday 8th April in Mucklagh from 6:30-8pm. Every player who registers enters a draw for a Club Jersey. Membership is €25 per child. **Underage Training:** U12 boys training starts Monday 4th April in Rahan at 6:30pm, U6, U8 & U10 boys begins with hurling Tuesday 12 April at 6:30pm in Rahan. **Results:** Well done to the Senior Football team who had a victory over Daingean last Friday in the league. Final score shamrock 0-16 Daingean 0-8. The U16 hurling team started off their hurling session with a victory over Gracefield on Saturday. Final score Shamrock's 2-15 Gracefield 1-2. Hard luck to the U14 hurling team who lost against Clara in the Féile hurling league. Final score shamrocks 3-6 Clara 5-15. Hard luck to the U16 football team who lost against Gracfield in the football league. **Fixtures:** Sunday 3rd April, Division 3 Hurling Shamrocks vs Clara in Clara at 11am. Monday 4th April Minor Football League Shamrocks vs Rhode in Mucklagh at 6.30pm. Wednesday 6th April U16 Football League Shamrock's vs Rhode in Mucklagh at 6.30pm. Friday 7th April U14 Féile Football League Shamrock's vs K/K in Kilcormac at 6.30pm.