

PARISH OF RAHAN

KILLINA, MUCKLAGH AND THE ISLAND

Fr. Martin Carley PP 05793 55917; 087 9774828 email: frmartincarley@gmail.com Parochial House, Rahan, Tullamore.

Fr. Frank Guinan Priest in Residence 05793 21892 Parochial House, Mucklagh, Tullamore, Co. Offaly.

Parish Secretary Suzanne. At the Parish Office Call in or ring 05793 21892, Thursdays 9.30am-5.30pm.

Parish Website Address: www.rahanparish.ie : Parish Email Address: rahanparish@gmail.com

3rd Sunday of Easter Sunday 19th April 2015.

You may have heard it said that it is a wonderful compliment when someone falls asleep in your company – it means they trust you and feel comfortable with you. Many of us are at our most relaxed with members of our families or our oldest friends. And then there are the lovely occasions when we meet someone new and feel at ease with them straight away. Our relationship with Jesus should be one of ease and trust. But we need to spend time with him to reach that level of closeness.

KILLINA

Sunday 19th 10.30am:

Mass for Edward & Annie Larkin & deceased family members.

Sunday 19th 1.00pm:

Ceremony of Confirmation. We welcome Bishop Michael Smith to our parish.

Tuesday 21st 7.30pm:

Mass for the James and May Hanlon, Agall, Screggan.

Wednesday 22nd 9.00am:

Mass in the Convent.

Friday 24th 9.00am:

Sunday 26th 10.30am:

Mass for the deceased members of the Carroll, Family, Glaskill.

THE ISLAND

Saturday 18th 6.00pm:

Mass for Edward & Mary Cornally, Ballina & deceased family members, Dernagun.

Saturday 25th 6.00pm:

Mass for Jim & Kathleen Rigney, The Island & deceased family members.

MUCKLAGH CHURCH

Saturday 18th 7.30pm:

1st Anniversary Mass for Ambrose Coughlan, Cloonagh & his parents Peter & Elizabeth.

Sunday 19th 9.00am:

Mass for John Joe & Elsie Lambe, Roscore.

Sunday 19th 12noon:

Mass for Martin Mannion, Charleville View.

Tuesday 21st 9.00am:

Wednesday 22nd 7.30pm:

Mass for Patsy & Kathleen Rigney, Killina, Rahan.

Thursday 23rd 9.00am:

Friday 24th 7.30pm:

Mass for The O' Kelly family, Bunatarn & May Matthews.

Saturday 25th 7.30pm:

Mass for Jim & Margaret O' Neill, their son Donal & son-in-law Michael Fox.

Sunday 26th 9.00am:

Mass for Michael O' Reilly, The Fingerboard.

Sunday 26th 12noon:

Mass for Michael English, Adam's Villas.

Perpetual Adoration: of the Blessed Sacrament takes place:-

Killina Church

- every Monday from 3pm to 10pm.

The Island

- every Tuesday from 6pm to 7pm.

Mucklagh

- every Thursday from 9.30am to 8.00pm.

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

Offertory/Plate:

Killina €230.00 The Island €232.00

Mucklagh €850.00

Dev Fund:

Killina & The Island €150.00

Mucklagh €380.00

Trocaire to date:

Killina & The Island €1,865.00

Mucklagh €2,315.00

Divine Mercy Sunday Collection: For Rahan Lourdes Fund: €460.00

Our Parish Christian Community: Welcomes **Harper Indi Monahan Ryan**, Tullamore who was baptised in St. Carthage's Church Killina on the 11th April and **Ruth Crescentia Conroy**, Ross, Screggan who was baptised in St. Colman's Church on the 12th April.

In Memory: Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of **Paddy Monahan**, Derrycooley, Rahan who died on the 14th April. His funeral took place on the 18th April in St. Carthage's Church, Killina with burial afterwards in Boher Cemetery and **Maurice Prendergast**, Kildare and late of Rahan Road, Tullamore (son of Cait Prendergast nee Grennan) who died on the 12th April. His funeral took place in Enfield on the 14th April with Cremation afterwards in Mount Jerome Crematorium. May they rest in peace.

Vocations Sunday: Next Sunday 26th April will be Vocations Sunday. The annual collection for the support of students will be taken up after all Masses.

Confirmation Day 19th April: Congratulations to the 36 candidates from the parish who will receive their Confirmation today at 1pm in Killina Church. Many thanks to the teachers Mr. Hayden and Ms. O. Connor for their work in preparation for the Ceremony. Thanks also to all who prepared the Church and grounds for the day.

Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration: You are invited to Knock on the 26th April for the third National Pilgrimage of the Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration. This will be the First Official Pilgrimage in the refurbished Basilica. All groups, organisations and Apostolates are very welcome. The most Rev. Michael Smith, Bishop of Meath will celebrate Mass and Father John Harris OP will deliver his talk at 1.15pm in the Basilica. Activities are also planned for teenagers, youth and children. More details will be available from the notice board in your local Churches. Please contact Carmel at 93 51367 or Joan at 93 51923 for booking your trip to Knock as soon as possible.

Rahan Hall Committee: Congratulations to Paul Loonam Jnr from Rahan Boxing Club on reaching the All Ireland Boxing Championship.

Rahan Comhaltas: Music and Step Dance lessons final class before the summer break will be Friday next April 24th, also all musical instruments on hire are due back on this date. We wish all our students a great summer and every success in the upcoming fleadhenna. Set Dancing classes summer break-up took place in Tullamore Golf club last Thursday night where we were treated to a very tasty meal followed by a mighty nights craic of dancing, singing, yarns, jokes and music which made it a night to remember, thanks to everybody who attended and as usual you all were up for a bit of fun.

Active Retirement: Safe-T lights are now available at €20 each. Great in a power-cut, use as night light also. Contact Carmel on 087 9530377.

Concert in Croke Park: On this Friday, 24th April, in The Hogan Stand Suite at 7.30pm. Featuring Fr. Ray Kelly and Fr. Marino Nguakam, in aid of 'Mary's Meals'. Concert tickets €15. This will feed a child with 'Mary's Meals' for one year. Bus leaving Rahan GAA Centre at 5.00pm & Tullamore GAA Centre at 5.15pm. Contact Kay on 085 7114205 or Carmel on 087 9530377. (Bus will cost €10)

Rahan Community Alert: Those of you reading this on Saturday don't forget our 'Race Night' is on this evening in Tullabeg House starting at 9pm so pop in for a bit of fun. Our next project is the 'Bottle in the fridge'. How this works is anyone on medication put all their details in the bottle and leave it in the fridge. A disk with Bottle in the fridge is then placed on door so if Doctor or Medics arrive in emergency they know exactly where your details are so it saves time and maybe a life. Bottles and disc are available now at €2 each just ring Ann at 0879851819 or contact any officer. Our new 'Text Alert' signs should be going up during the Summer. Thanks.

Community Games: Training for Draughts will continue in Mucklagh school this Friday from 8:15 - 9:15 pm. First round matches will be arranged in the coming days. Well done to all the children who competed in the MRI Swimming Gala on Saturday in Aura Swimming Pool, Tullamore. Well done also to all our teams that competed in hurling, mini rugby and football during the week. Art County Final will be held in Marian Hall, Birr on Sunday 19th April. Good luck to all our finalists. Finally, congratulations to Caitlin Minnock, Grace Minnock and Peter Reynolds who took part in the Talent County Final on Sunday 12th April. For any further information or updates check out our facebook page.

Scor: Anyone who wishes to support Brendan Minnock from the Island who will represent the Shamrocks Club and the parish in the All Ireland Final of Senior Scór in the City West Hotel on Sat. the 25th of April can book their tickets by contacting Breda at 0861097153... Bus also travelling to the event and you can book your seat at the same number.

Mucklagh Goes Strictly: is on Saturday night, April 25th in the Tullamore Court Hotel. We would like to thank our 30 Dancers who have been training around the clock for the last number of weeks. We wish them well on Saturday night and we hope you will be all there to support them. If you would like tickets ring 086 836 4523 or 086 305 6700.

Rahan Drama Group: The DVD of the recent very successful production of "A Wake in the West" is now available. Bookings of the DVD can be got from Mary at 087 2369175. Well done to all involved.

Mucklagh Community Development: Lotto: draw 14/04/15 Numbers drawn 11, 21, 24, 30. No Jackpot winner. 3 match 3's – Michael Whittaker, c/o Margaret Dunne & Mick Gorman and Nuala Carter c/o Flynn's. Thanks to all who support our local LOTTO.

Tullamore Darkness Into Light Walk: for Pieta House is on the 9th May, 2015 at 4.15a.m. Pre-registration dates are 10th/11th April, 24th /25th April and 1st/2nd and 8th of May in the Bridge Centre, Tullamore. See Darkness Into Light Tullamore Facebook page for more details.

Lough Derg Pilgrimage: Season opens Saturday 2nd May with One Day Retreats which continue on 3, 4, 9, 10, 12, 16, 17, 19, 23, 25, 25 of May. Advance booking is essential. The Three Day Pilgrimage season begins on Friday 29th May. You can begin the Three Day Pilgrimage any day between 29th May and 13th August. Pre-booking not required. Contact Lough Derg 071 9861518 or email. info@loughderg.org

Shamrock's Notes: LOTTO: The numbers drawn were 18-21-30-32. No Jackpot Winner. No Match 3 winner.

Jackpot €6,400 next week and the Draw will take place in Kelly's. **Shamrocks Ladies:** The closing date for collecting the lucozade sports bottles has been extended until the end of April so if anyone has any can they please pass them onto Lisa flaherty. Thank you. **Results:** Well done to the Senior B football team on their win against Walsh Island in the first round of the championship. Final score was Shamrocks 2-8 Walsh Island 0-12. Congratulations also to our U14 Hurlers who have qualified for the All-Ireland Feile having beaten Clara, Kinnitty and Ballyskenach/Killavilla. The only team that stood in their way was CRC. In what was a very exciting game Shamrock's came out on top on a fine score line of 0-14 to 1-8. Well done to all involved. Keep up the good work!

Membership: Minor and senior membership is now over due. Anyone who has yet to pay please do so by the end of April. **Fixtures:** Sunday 19th Junior Hurling Championship 'Shamrocks V's K/K in Kilcormac @ 2.30. Wednesday 22nd Minor Football League Shamrock's V's St. Vincent's in Cappincur @ 7pm