

God's People Our Parish

St. James and St Hugh, Kilbeggan and Rahugh

Saturday Vigil 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sunday 9.30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Monday to Friday 9.30 a.m. Friday 7.30 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m.

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Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”
Mt.11: 28-30

Third Sunday of Lent

8 p.m.

11 a.m. Jody and Bridget Hogan

Wednesday 9.30 a.m. Des Dillon 1st Anniversary and his wife Carmel

Thursday 9.30 a.m. David Campbell

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Frank Nolan, Ballykeane, Geashill, brother of Peter Nolan, The Crescent. May he rest in peace.

FAMILY ROSARY and BENEDICTION

Sun, Mon, Tues and Thursday 7.30 p.m.



STATIONS of the CROSS

Wednesday 7.30p.m. during LENT



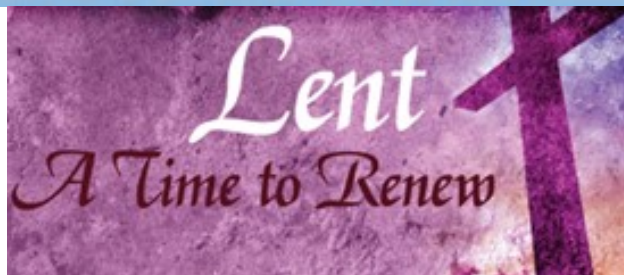
Plate €367; Renovation Fund Envelopes €370; Offerings €460. Thanks to all who contribute in whatever way to the parish, your generosity is appreciated. If you wish you can leave your envelopes and contributions in the collection tables in the Church or in the Parochial House.

We are preparing new boxes of envelopes at the moment. If you have been receiving a box and do not want one please let us know. If you have not been receiving one and would like one please let us know by leaving your name and address in one of the collection tables in the Church in Kilbeggan .



Make love your aim
1 Cor 14:1

OLDER PEOPLE: ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling **0818 222 024**.



Fourth Sunday of Lent

8 p.m. Jim and Bess Murray, Correagh and Walnut Lane

11 a.m. Peter, Mary Jo, Sean, Ita, Jim and deceased members of the Commins family.
Crombie Family, Monasette



“When, in the evening of life, it shall be asked of us what we did to feed the hungry and give drink to the thirsty, equally shall it be asked of us

- **if we helped people find their way out of doubt,**
- **if we were committed to welcoming sinners, admonishing or correcting them,**
- **if we were capable of combatting ignorance, especially as regards the Christian faith and how to lead a good life.”**

Pope Francis, Address, Jan. 29, 2016

Catholics striving for Holiness

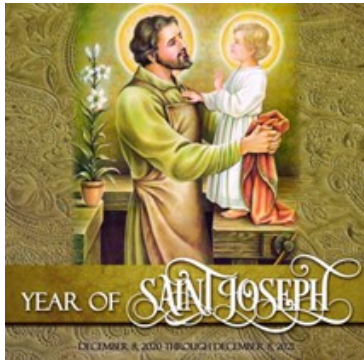
Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI: 'There are not two Popes'

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI's resignation from the papacy, which became effective eight years ago, [28 February 2013] was a "difficult choice," but made "in full conscience" – one which he has not regretted at all. Once again, the Pope Emeritus, albeit in a subdued voice, repeats what he has already said several times to dismiss the "somewhat fanatical friends" who continue to see "conspiracy theories" behind his decision to leave the Chair of St. Peter by retiring for reasons of old age. This was reiterated by Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI in an interview with *Corriere della Sera*.



"It was a difficult decision," explains the Pope Emeritus, "but I made it in full conscience, and I believe I did well. Some of my friends who are a bit 'fanatical' are still angry; they did not want to accept my choice. I am thinking about the conspiracy theories which followed it: those who said it was because of the Vatileaks scandal, those who said it was because of the case of the conservative Lefebvrian theologian, Richard Williamson. They did not want to believe it was a conscious decision, but my conscience is clear."

Vatican News 1 March 2021



Year of St Joseph December 8th 2020 to December 8th 2021

People who do not appear in newspaper and magazine headlines, or on the latest television show, yet in these very days are surely shaping the decisive events of our history. Doctors, nurses, storekeepers and supermarket workers, cleaning personnel, caregivers, transport workers, men and women working to provide essential services and public safety, volunteers, priests, men and women religious, and so very many others. They understood that no one is saved alone... How many people daily exercise patience and offer hope, taking care to spread not panic, but shared responsibility. How many fathers, mothers, grandparents and teachers are showing our children, in small everyday ways, how to accept and deal with a crisis by adjusting their routines, looking ahead and encouraging the practice of prayer. How many are praying, making sacrifices and interceding for the good of all".[6]

The Holy Family had to face concrete problems like every other family, like so many of our migrant brothers and sisters who, today too, risk their lives to escape misfortune and hunger. In this regard, I consider Saint Joseph the special patron of all those forced to leave their native lands because of war, hatred, persecution and poverty.....

In his continued protection of the Church, Joseph continues to protect *the child and his mother*, and we too, by our love for the Church, continue to love *the child and his mother*.

That child would go on to say: "As you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me" (Mt 25:40). Consequently, every poor, needy, suffering or dying person, every stranger, every prisoner, every infirm person is "the child" whom Joseph continues to protect. For this reason, Saint Joseph is invoked as protector of the unfortunate, the needy, exiles, the afflicted, the poor and the dying. Consequently, the Church cannot fail to show a special love for the least of our brothers and sisters, for Jesus showed a particular concern for them and personally identified with them. From Saint Joseph, we must learn that same care and responsibility. We must learn to love the child and his mother, to love the sacraments and charity, to love the Church and the poor. Each of these realities is always *the child and his mother*.....

We need only ask Saint Joseph for the grace of graces: our conversion. Let us now make our prayer to him:

from APOSTOLIC LETTER "**PATRIS CORDE**" ("With a Father's Heart") OF THE HOLY FATHER FRANCIS ON THE 150th ANNIVERSARY OF THE PROCLAMATION OF SAINT JOSEPH AS PATRON OF THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.*

*Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.*