

God's People Our Parish

St. James and St Hugh, Kilbeggan and Rahugh

Saturday Vigil 7.30 p.m. Kilbeggan Sunday 9.30 a.m. Rahugh and 11 a.m. Kilbeggan

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

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Confessions Saturday 10.30 a.m. - 11.30 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



Make love your aim
1 Cor 14:1



Fourth Sunday of Advent

7.30 p.m. Phil McMahon, First Anniversary

9.30 a.m. Hughie Harte

11 a.m. **Do This in Memory of Me Mass**

Eamonn and Colm Heffernan

Monica Duffy

John and Ellen Craig

Martin Igoe 4th Anniversary



Christmas Eve and Christmas Day

All Masses at Christmas are offered for the people of the Parish

6 p.m. Mass with Family Choir 7.30 p.m. Parish Choir
9.30 a.m. 11 a.m.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Nan Moore, remains arrive in the Church 7.30 p.m. Sunday. Funeral Mass 11 a.m. Monday. May she rest in peace.

Plate: €1,435; Renovation Fund: €1,365; Offerings and List of the Dead: €720. Thanks to all who are so generous.



Thanks!



Charity Shop will be open on 4

Mondays before Christmas. Massive reductions on ladies and gents clothing before Christmas. Good selection of Christmas stock in shop. Plenty of opportunity to get gifts. Open Monday to Saturday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m

The Irish Catholic Newspaper is available in your parish!

is available in the church. €2.50

The Sisters of Mercy wish all our parishioners a very HAPPY CHRISTMAS.

Three Masses will be offered for your intentions.



Penitential Service with visiting priests on Monday 19th at 7.30pm.

I will provide Confessions after every Mass during Advent. This will give people opportunities to go to Confessions along with the Saturday Confessions 10.30 -11.30a.m. There is also Confessions available in neighbouring parishes.





Brothers and sisters, we too at times find ourselves in his situation, in an inner jail, unable to recognize the newness of the Lord, whom we perhaps hold captive in the presumption that we already know everything about Him. Dear brothers and sisters, one never knows everything about God, never! Perhaps we have in mind a powerful God who does what He wants, instead of the God of humble meekness, the God of mercy and love, who always intervenes respecting our freedom and our choices. Perhaps we even find ourselves saying to Him: "Are you really you, so humble, the God who is coming to save us?". And something similar can happen to us with our brothers and sisters too: we have our ideas, our prejudices and we attach rigid labels to others, especially those we feel are different to us. Advent, then is a time for overturning our perspectives, for letting ourselves be surprised by God's mercy. Astonishment: God always astonishes. God is always the One who stirs wonder in you. A time – Advent – in which, preparing the Nativity display for the Infant Jesus, we learn again who our Lord is; a time to leave behind certain preconceptions and prejudices about God and our brothers and sisters. Advent is a time in which, instead of thinking about gifts for ourselves, we can give words and gestures of consolation to those who are wounded, as Jesus did with the blind, the deaf and the lame.



Pope Francis Sunday 11th December 2022

Congratulations to Bishop Michael Smith on his new book "Vatican Council Memories". Bishop Smith was a note taker at all the Sessions of the Vatican Council. You can get the book from Veritas or the Parish Shop at the Cathedral in Mullingar. Cost €20

Christmas Prayer

Glory to God in the highest!

My precious Lord, Jesus,

I adore You with profound love and rejoice in the celebration of Your birth.

Your love for us is unfathomable,

it is glorious

transforming,

awe-inspiring,

and deeply personal.

You chose to come and dwell among us,

being born into poverty, rejection and humility.

Yet Your mother knew whom she bore,

Her heart was filled with the tenderest love as she adored her Child and her God.

Help me, dear Lord.

to come to love You with the heart of Your mother.

Invite me to adore You with St. Joseph and the poor shepherds.

Reveal to me the glorious power of Your birth and change my life on account of this perfect gift of Yourself.

I love You, dear Lord Jesus.

Help me to love You with all my heart.

New-born Saviour of the World,

I trust in You.

Mother Mary and St. Joseph, Pray for me and for all.
Amen



Hi all, our Annual St Stephens Day Fun Run/Walk is going ahead this year, fully back after 2 years disruption with Covid. Starts at 12 noon, with registration in the Parish Centre from 10.30 or alternatively online at www.myrunresults.com and follow through the link. Refreshments will be served for everyone afterwards in the Parish Centre, and as with other years all proceeds raised will go to CHI at Our Lady's Hospital for Sick Children at Crumlin. So please come along and join in the event.