

God's People Our Parish

St. James and St Hugh, Kilbeggan and Rahugh

KILBEGGAN: Saturday Vigil 7.30 p.m. & Sunday 11 a.m.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9.30a.m. Wednesday 7.30p.m. & Saturday 10a.m

Confessions ~ Saturday 10.30a.m. ~ 11.30a.m.

RAHUGH: Sunday 9.30 a.m. & Friday 7.30p.m.

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I wish all our Parishioners at home and away a very blessed and happy Christmas. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all those who have the pain of bereavement and loss. Welcome home to all who are returning to Kilbeggan and Rahugh for Christmas.

Fourth Sunday of Advent

7.30 p.m. Eammon and Colm Heffernan

Brendan Kinahan

Tom and Mary Rattigan, and Soldier Rattigan

Phil McMahan, 3rd Anniversary

Martin Igoe, Anniversary

9.30 a.m. Oliver Geoghegan and Parents

11 a.m. Peter and Annie Jo McLoughlin

Michael and Rose Cummins



Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve: Children's' Mass with Family Choir at 6p.m.
and Mass with Adult Choir at 7.30 p.m.

Christmas Day: 9.30 a.m. Rahugh and 11 a.m. Kilbeggan

St Stephen's Day (Thursday 26th) 10 a.m.

Friday (27th) 10 a.m.

Jesus Messiah
Lord Of All
Prince Of Peace



Feast of The Holy Family

7.30 p.m. Mai Kelly, Month's Mind

Nancy and Pat Joe Cloonan

Dolores Heffernan

9.30 a.m.

11 a.m. John, Annie and Frank Keoghan

Rest In Peace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Christy Jones, Grangegibbon; and William Maxwell, Streamstown, brother of the late Fr Barney Maxwell, who died this week. May they rest in peace.

Catholic Newspaper is on sale at the entrance for €3 per copy.

The Irish Catholic

Thank You

Plate: €1,145; Maintenance Fund: €210; Offerings €150; Donations: €720.
Thanks to all who are so generous.



Thanks to all the parishioners in Kilbeggan and Rahugh, and a special thanks to the Sisters of Mercy, the Finance Committee, the Parish Pastoral Assembly, the Parish Centre Committee, the Hospitality Groups in the Centre and the caretakers. Thanks to the ladies in the Parish Charity Shop, and the Cemetery Committee. Thanks to our dedicated sacristans. Thanks to the Altar Societies who keep the churches so well. Thanks for flowers, flower arranging, and for the decoration of the church and cribs. Thanks to all our altar servers, our Ministers of the Word, and Ministers of the Eucharist. Thanks to the choirs, their leaders, musicians, and organists. Thanks to the collectors and to all who help with the bulletin. Thanks to the child protection representatives. Thanks to all who helped with our recent Mission. Thanks to all the teachers in our schools who care for the children so well and pass on our faith. Thanks to all those who support the parish so generously in the collections. Finally thank you for your support for me personally. May you all have a blessed and joyful Christmas and a happy New Year.

The Sisters of Mercy wish the parishioners of Kilbeggan and Rahugh a blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Three Masses will be offered for the people of the parish as a Christmas gift.



Pilgrimage to Medjugorje 11th to 18th June 2025. €805pps . Further details contact Luke McNamee 087 9113118. Full details on poster on the notice board.

At our Mission we gave out Volunteer Cards. Please look over the card and see is there an area where you feel you could help in our Parish. If you have not got at Volunteer Card there are some in the Church and you can take home one with you.



You are invited to a celebration of light, in answer to Jesus' invitation to **"COME AND SEE" in the Church of The Assumption, Tullamore, on Sunday 22nd Dec. from 3pm to 6pm.** Jesus, in the Blessed Sacrament, will be exposed on the altar, the church will be lit by candles, reflective music will be played and the Sacrament of Confession will be available. Come and join us for a time of quiet prayer in preparation for the celebration of the birth of Jesus who is the source of all light.

And let us continue to pray for peace, in tormented Ukraine, in the Middle East – Palestine, Israel, Lebanon, now in Syria – in Myanmar, Sudan and wherever people suffer from war and violence. I appeal to governors and the international community, so that we may reach the feast of the Nativity with a ceasefire on all fronts of war. **Pope Francis**

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Our **Annual St Stephen's Day Fun Run/Walk** will take place again this year, and thanks for all your support in past years, numbers have been growing year on year. If you can come along and join us, it is open to all age groups, to run, jog or walk.

Starts at 12 noon. As with past years, all proceeds raised from the event go to **Children's Health Foundation at Our Lady's Hospital for Sick Children at Crumlin.**

Registration on the day in the **Parish Centre** from 10.30am or online with **MyRunResults - Kilbeggan St Stephen's Day 6km Run** - and follow the link to register or leave a donation if you wish.

Looking forward to seeing you all on the day. D Smith



Parish Charity Shop will be closed over the Christmas holiday period. Normal opening hours (Mon to Fri 10am to 5pm) will resume on Wednesday 8th January 2025. Thanks to all who support the shop and the ladies in the shop.