

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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Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

7.30 p.m. Edward and Kate Heffernan

Mary Dinnegan and her son Patrick, First Anniversaries

9.30 a.m.

11 a.m. Jean Landers

Wednesday: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6.30pm followed by Mass 7.30pm

Wednesday: 7.30 p.m. Pauline Heffernan, Main St.

Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time

7.30 p.m. Sean Daly, Cornaher, and deceased members of the Daly family, especially Lil who passed away recently

Larry Carroll

Johnson Family and Grandson Aaron Keane, 2nd Anniversary

Teresa Cunningham, Tullamore Rd.

9.30 a.m.

11 a.m. Jody and Bridget Hogan

Please pray for the repose of the soul of John O'Brien, Broadwood, Ballinagore, who died during the week. May he rest in peace.



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

Plate : €1,075; Maintenance Fund: €1,090; Offerings: €650. Thanks to all who are so generous.



Prayer to Sacred Heart of Jesus: "Jesus, gentle and humble of heart, touch our hearts and make them like your own." from *Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus*

Thank You

Charity Shop - Open Monday to Friday 10am - 5pm. Wide selection of good quality clothing and household goods. We give Dóchas €750 each month to help those with cancer. The Charity Shop also supports the Cosy Café.

Thanks for your continued support.

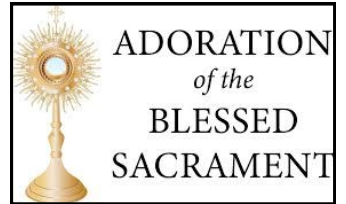


JUBILEE OF YOUTH, ROME, 28th JULY – 3rd AUGUST 2025 Bishop Tom invites young people (18+) of the Diocese of Meath to join with fellow young people from around the world for this great event with Pope Francis. As Pilgrims of Hope we will share in the week of scheduled events culminating with the Papal Mass for over a million young Catholics! Cost €750 approx. including flights and accommodation. For more info contact the Parish Office or see www.dioceseofmeath.ie/youth



For those who wish to go to Confessions, I am available in the Confession Room (beside the organ) before Mass each Saturday from 7 p.m. until Mass time at 7.30 pm. Confessions also available every Saturday 10.30 a.m. – 11.30 a.m. Confessions in Tullamore, Saturday: 12-1pm & 3pm — 4pm, and on the Eve of First Friday: after 10 am Mass.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Wednesday evening from 6.30 p.m. until Mass time at 7.30 p.m. There is also Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Monday mornings from 10 -11 a.m. and in Rahugh on Fridays 7—8.30 p.m. with Mass included at 7.30 p.m.



"May the Lord give all of us the hope of being saints. But some of you might ask me: "Father, can one be a saint in everyday life?" Yes, it is possible. "But does this mean that we have to pray all day?" No, it means that you must do your duty all day: pray, go to work, take care of your children. But everything must be done with the heart open to God, so that work, even in illness and suffering, in difficulty too, is open to God.

And in this way one can become a saint. May the Lord give us the hope to be saints. Let us not think that it is a difficult thing, that it is easier to be delinquents than saints! No.

We can be saints because the Lord helps us; he is the One who helps us." *From "A Light in the Night: Meditations on Hope" Pope Francis.* It is a book of reflections on the theme of Hope



A thought for the week "For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord." **St Paul to the Romans, Chapter 8 verses 38-39**

How about the good we leave undone ?

"The **corporal works of mercy** are: **feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless, visit the sick, ransom captives, and bury the dead.** The **spiritual works of mercy** are: **instruct the ignorant, counsel the doubtful, comfort the**

sorrowful, admonish the sinner, gladly forgive injuries, bear wrongs patiently, pray for the living and the dead. In the case of the corporal works and especially the spiritual works of mercy, it is interesting to note that we are not dealing with the prohibition of violations of God's explicit commandments. As in Jesus' speech about the Last Judgment, no sinners who murdered, stole, committed adultery, lied, or cheated others are condemned. Jesus' condemnation does not concern violations of God's commandments, but rather failures to do what is good. Matthew 21: 31-46. Again it is a matter of the higher righteousness (Matt 5:20). Accordingly, one can sin not only by violating God's commandments, but also by failing to do what is good, something that, unfortunately, is too-little heeded. Thus, mercy is concerned with more than justice; it is a matter of attentiveness and sensitivity to the concrete needs we encounter. It is a matter of overcoming the focus on ourselves that makes us deaf and blind to the physical and spiritual needs of others. It is a matter of dissolving the hardening of our hearts to God's call that we hear in the encounter with the adversity of others." **Walter Kasper, "Mercy: The Essence of the Gospel and the Key to Christian Life"**

