

St. James' Church

*Vigil 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday 11 a.m.
Monday to Friday 9.30 a.m. and Saturday 10 a.m.*

Confessions on Saturday after 10 a.m. Mass, before the Vigil Mass and after Mass in Rahugh Friday evening.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

*Kilbeggan after 9.30 a.m. Mass on Monday until 12 noon.
Rahugh on Friday from 7 – 9 p.m. with Mass at 8 p.m.*

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St. Hugh's Church

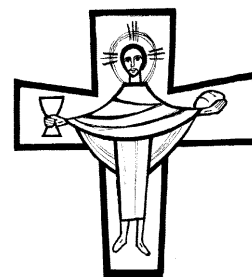
*Sunday 9.30 a.m.
Friday 8 p.m.*

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 19th.

8 p.m. Jimmy, Eileen and Mary Coffey, Cumminstown
James and Mary Connolly and their son David.

9.30 a.m.

11 a.m. Barney Troy
Julia Maher 1s Anniversary



There is no Mass on the following days next week. There will be a Prayer Service with Holy Communion instead.

Friday 24th 8 p.m. Rahugh

Saturday 25th 10 a.m.

Monday 27th 9.30 a.m.

Tuesday 28th 9.30 a.m.

Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time August 26th

8 p.m. Jimmy Gorry U.S.A. late of Arden, Nuala Williams nee Gorry, Dublin
Mary and Patrick Fitzgibbons and their sons, daughter and daughter-in-law.
Private Martin McCormack, Relic Rd. 39th Anniversary

9.30 a.m.

11 a.m.

People have spoken to me about a rumour that there is a charge of €500 for the use of the church for a wedding, and €100 for a baptism in Kilbeggan and Rahugh Parish. This is untrue. I have never set a charge for a sacrament, or asked for money. If people want to give an offering that is fine if they are unable they will not be refused the use of the church or a sacrament.



Congratulations to the Leaving Certificate Students. We wish them every blessing in the future and in the choices they make.

Westmeath County Council Kilbeggan Area Office:

Please note that these offices will **only** be open to the public from 10a.m. - 12noon Monday - Friday commencing Monday 20th August for two weeks & Monday 10th September for two weeks. **Normal opening hours Monday 3rd**

- Friday 7th September. Normal service will resume on Monday 24th September. Westmeath County Council apologises for any inconvenience caused to members of the public during these periods.

Meath Diocese, Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2012 12 – 17th September Youth Section (ages 18-30) In recent years many young people have travelled to Lourdes seeking to find out more about this famous Shrine: to lend a hand to the pilgrims who are sick or infirmed, to look for some prayer space in busy lives and still to have a good time! Cost €450. If you are interested in travelling this September please contact Fr. Mark English, Dunboyne 01-8255342 or see www.dioceseofmeath/youth for more details.

Catholic Schools Partnership is an umbrella body providing support for all the partners in Catholic schools. Here we answer some frequently asked questions about Catholic primary schools.

Aren't all schools the same? While all schools share a lot in common, they are not all the same. Every school has a certain ethos or characteristic spirit that inspires all aspects of the life of the school.

What is different about a Catholic school? Our religious faith is central to our lives and influences the way that we see things. We believe that the life of Christ is really important, that each person is made in the image of God and that we form part of a parish community called the Church. We pray every day. We learn about the Bible, the Church, Mass and the Sacraments, and the teachings of the Church. We introduce pupils to the Christian values that we hope will inform the way they will live as children, adolescents and mature adults.

What do pupils learn? From the outset, the experience of the pupil in a Catholic school is characterised by respect for both faith and reason. So we teach children all aspects of the curriculum – languages, maths, music, science, art, sport. This is all part of what we do at school. In all of this we want to cherish each person as Christ would do, and we seek to support parents in their task of nurturing their children toward fulfilment in life and of preparing them to take their place in the world according to the gifts that they have been given.

Who attends Catholic schools? Obviously the vast majority of pupils are Catholic, as many Catholic parents want their children to have a faith-based education. Catholic schools are inclusive and have been leaders in integrating migrants into local communities. Our schools have also led the way in areas such as special needs and traveller Education.

What about children from other religious backgrounds? Children from various backgrounds are welcomed into Catholic schools. The number varies from one place to another but respect for all religions and for people of no faith is an important part of the life of the school.

Are Catholic schools as good as other schools? Yes, they are. By all measures, both in Ireland and other countries, Catholic schools are amongst the best schools. There are many international surveys that suggest Catholic schools achieve the highest academic quality.

Are there Catholic schools in other countries apart from Ireland? Yes, there are Catholic schools in almost every country in the world. In many nations as in our own, they form a central part of the education system, while in almost all democratic societies in Ireland – *Share the Good News*.



How do I find out more about Catholic schools? Go to www.catholicschools.ie.

Prayer for 50th International Eucharistic Congress: 6th May to 8th September: Rahugh.

Collection for Parents and Friends of the Mentally Handicapped after Mass on Sunday next 26th in Rahugh.

Plate: €1,023. Patron Offerings: €690. Thanks to all who were so generous.