St. James’ Church St. Hugh’s Church

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

Monday to Friday 9.30 a.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. Friday 8 p.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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Gaudete Sunday of Advent 16th

8p.m. Tom and Mary Rattigan

Bridget and Peter Hogan and son James.

9.30a.m. Kevin, Nancy and Anthony Reid.

11a.m. Agnes Dunne, Month’s Mind.

John and Ellen Craig

James Doonan,

Bridget and Patrick Brickland Anniversary

Wednesday 9.30 a.m. Matt Mc Cormack, Main St and his family.

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Fourth Sunday of Advent 23rd

8 p.m. Tom and Mary Guilfoyle, Nellie and Lizzie Guilfoyle

Colm Heffernan

Dunne and the late Agnes Dunne, parents , brothers and sisters.

9.30 a.m. Coyne Family

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We will have our Penitential Service in Kilbeggan at 7 p.m. on Sunday next 23rd of December. There are be visiting priests coming to our Service.

Individual Confessions for Christmas Saturday 22nd , after 8 p.m. Mass.

Each day of the week leading up to Christmas after 9.30 a.m. Mass

Christmas Eve 5.30 - 6 p.m.

Tullamore Parish has a 24 hours Confession period starting on Wednesday 19th at 7.30 p.m. and going through to Thursday 7.30 p.m.

In the countdown to this Christmas we are expecting more demands on our very limited resources than we have experienced in a very long time. If you have not received a letter and return envelope please use one of your own and write V de P and leave it in the basket at any Mass. THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

The word of Advent means ‘arrival’ or ‘coming’ and with this season the church begins another year. There is a threefold coming of Christ to which the Church draws out attention in this season. First, Jesus coming as a human being at Bethlehem; second, his daily coming into the lives of those who open their heart to receive him and third, his glorious coming at the end of time. The use of purple vestments underlines the special character of the Season. Our Advent Wreath reminds us of the gift s of Love, Hope, Joy, and Peace. Each of these are represented by the lighted candles. The white candle reminds of Jesus the Light of the World.

Cantoiri Tulach Mhoir will sing their usual Carol Service at Mass on Friday 21st December. 8 p.m. The Mass will be offered in thanksgiving for the Sisters of Mercy who have been so dedicated in the Parish over the years and for their gift of the beautiful Stations of the Cross to Rahugh Church. There is a tea party in the Hall after Mass.

The St Vincent de Paul have cheese available at their house on Main St on Wednesday next from 10 a.m. until 12 noon.

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2013 Calendars in aid of North Westmeath Hospice  ( Photos from around Westmeath taken by John McCauley) available from Mgt. Henson (0879359616)  Price €7 Your support is greatly appreciated.

St Stepehen’s Day Fun Run/Walk,. It is open to all ages to run or walk all or some of the 6 km. Course. You are welcome to walk or run the route or part of it. All proceeds will go to Our Lady’s Hospital for Sick Children, Crumlin. We start at 12 noon from the Square, all ages are welome. Donation may be given on te day, and sponsorship cards are available. Refreshments serverd afterwards. Please come along all are welcome. For more information contact D. Smith 087 7767887

Rahugh Social Services will have a Cake Sale in Rahugh Hall after 9.30a.m. Mass on Sunday the 16th December.  This is a fund raising event and we would really appreciate your support.

Holy Day 8th and Sunday: €1,801,  November Offerings: €60, List of the Dead: €10,

Christmas Offerings: €710,  Trocaire: €50.  Shrine:  €706.

Thanks to all who are so generous.