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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First Sunday of Advent 2nd

8p.m. Mary Jo and James Carey

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Deceased Members of the Barry Family.

Kitty and YTom Fox and their son Tom

9.30a.m. Tom and Mary Dempsey

11a.m. Joseph McCormack.

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Friday 9.30 a.m. . List of the Dead

*Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Saturday 8th*

*Friday 8 p.m. Kilbeggan*

*Saturday 9.30 a.m. Rahugh*

Second Sunday of Advent 9th

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Paul and Crissie Dunican

9.30 a.m. Coyne Family

11 a.m. Paddy and Mary Daniels

Tim Wrafter

Seamus Heffernan

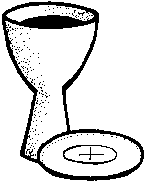
Sat.10a.m. Ned Rooney, Months Mind.

Eileen Finn

James and Kathleen Coughlan.



Scoil an Chlochair Parents Association Christmas Fair Sunday 9th December from 11.30 p.m. – 4.00 p.m. There 25 stalls with great items to buy for Christmas. All are welcome there is complimentary teas and coffee. There is also a Raffle with great prizes. Thanks to all for their support.



I will bring Holy Communion to the sick and the housebound on the First Friday this week. If a member of your family or a neighbour is housebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please let me know.

Unite for Life Vigil on Tue 4th Dec at 4.30pm at the Dáil: The vigil will have a positive, clear message about safeguarding the lives of mothers and babies in pregnancy. Posters will be provided on the day. For more details and bus information contact: Claire 0872668702 or Katie 0877020255.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Monday 10th December 7.30 p.m. Scoil and Chlochair Staffroom.

RAHUGH HALL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION:   Meeting on Monday 3rd December @ 9.00pm.

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.

Statement by the Standing Committee of the Irish Catholic Bishops’ Conference on the equal and inalienable right to life of a mother and her unborn child. (Synopsis)

           The Catholic Church has never taught that the life of a child in the womb should be preferred to that of a mother.  By virtue of their common humanity a mother and her unborn baby are both sacred with an equal right to life.

         Where a seriously ill pregnant woman needs medical treatment which may put the life of her baby at risk, such treatments are ethically permissible provided every effort has been made to save the life of both the mother and her baby.

         Whereas abortion is the direct and intentional destruction of an unborn baby and is gravely immoral in all circumstances, this is different from medical treatments whichdo not directly and intentionally seek to end the life of the unborn baby.  Current law and medical guidelines in Ireland allow nurses and doctors in Irish hospitals to apply this vital distinction in practice while upholding the equal right to life of both a mother and her unborn baby.

         Some would claim that the unborn baby is less human or less deserving of life.  Advances in genetics and technology make it clear that at fertilisation a new, unique and genetically complete human being comes into existence.  From that moment onwards each of us did not grow and develop *into* a human being, but grew and developed *as* a human being.

With many other religious and ethical traditions we believe in upholding the equal and inalienable right to life of a mother and her unborn child in our laws and medical practice.  This helps to ensure that women and babies receive the highest standard of care and protection during pregnancy.  Indeed, international statistics confirm that Ireland, without abortion, remains one of the safest countries in the world in which to be pregnant and to give birth.  This is a position that should continue to be cherished and strengthened in the interests of mothers and unborn children in Ireland.

 Ethiopian Projects:

Christmas Cards in aid of Ethiopian Projects for sale in Bargain Corner Shop, Kilbeggan.

*Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land Led Fr. Gerry McCormack Fr. Dwayne Gavin, Sr. Consilio Rock* 14th – 22nd October 2013. The cost is €1,329 plus taxes. Booking with MAP Travel Dublin, 01878311. For further details contact:   Fr. Gerry McCormack – 042 9667314. Booking and deposit by December 21st 2012 to confirm places . Limited availability.

Independent People with Disabilities Westmeath, Longford, Roscommon would like to remind you that December 3rd is the European Day for Disability. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your help and co-operation you gave to people with disabilities throughout 2012 .If you would like to get involved with us you can contact us at telephone: (090) 64 70044 or you can e-mail us at independentpwd@gmail.com

Plate:    €1,215,    November Offerings:   €295,   List of the Dead:  €60..

Thanks to all who are so generous.