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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*Third Sunday of Lent*

8 p.m. Mary Colgan

Patrick and Elizabeth Morgan, Moate Rd.

Tom Guilfoyle 1st Anniversary

Anne Donoghue, Mullingar Rd.

9.30 a.m. Jim and Maura Murphy

11 a.m. P.J. Smith and deceased family

Friday 9.30 a.m. Parish List of the Dead

8 p.m. John Harte Month’s Mind, Parish List of the Dead

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9.30 a.m. Ben Wyer

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

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First Penance for Second Class Wednesday March 2nd at 7 p.m. in St. James’ Church. This is a special day for the boys and girls. We will have a small celebration in the Parish Centre after the Sacrament.

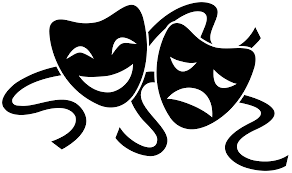
The Parish Council has completed its first year in office. The main projects it has undertaken is to renovate the church and extend the cemetery. They have put a great deal of thought and discussion into both projects.In relation to the cemetery we have had archaeological digs completed and we are still in negotiations with the County Council about the work.In relation to the church, we are in discussions with a project manager at the moment, (the same one who did the Centre). There are five main areas to be dealt with: heating, lighting, ventilation, insulation and decoration. We do not intend to start the work until next year for a few reasons. Firstly, we may be able to get grant aid next year. Secondly we want to go slowly in order to do a good job. Thirdly we hope to have more money in the funds before we start work. When the work is in progress local churches will be available for weddings and funerals. Sunday and weekday Masses can be celebrated in the Parish Centre.

The Sale of St. James’ Hall has been completed and the keys are handed over this week. The Hall was sold for €25,000, our legal expenses were €1,500. The remaining €23,500 is added to the Church Renovation Fund. We wish the KPDA every success with the Hall.

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Stations of the Cross and Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Thursday 8p.m. in St James’ Church.

Trócaire Trocaire was founded in 1973, it is the Irish for Mercy or Compassion. So it is a very appropriate named in this Year of Mercy. For over 40 years it has been the practical outreach of the Catholic Church in Ireland to 20 countries. Only 9% is used for advertising and administration etc. 91% goes to the poor. So, well done to all who have been so generous.

RAHUGH DRAMA GROUP WILL STAGE A THREE ACT COMEDY "PROFESSOR TIM" WRITTEN BY GEORGE SHIELS. IN RAHUGH HALL ON SATURDAY. 5TH MARCH, SUNDAY. 6TH. MARCH AND MONDAY 7TH MARCH 2016. CURTAIN 8.30p.m. SHARP. FOR BOOKINGS PHONE  PATRICIA. 044 9223776.

Bingo every Tuesday night 8.30 p.m. in Kilbeggan Parish Centre. All are

welcome. We have €1,200 in cash prizes each night.

Catholic Sites on the net you may like to look at.

<http://www.news.va/en> Is a great site to get daily news about Pope Francis, and Church events.

[Salt and Light Catholic Media Foundation](http://www.saltandlighttv.org/) www.saltandlighttv.org/

**Salt and Light** TV provides Vatican Live events, youthful programs, current affairs interview series and programming that celebrates faith in family life.

 “The Lord teaches us the way of doing: and how many times we find people – ourselves included – so often in the Church, who say, ‘Oh, we are very Catholic.’ ‘But what do you do?’ How many parents say they are Catholics, but never have time to talk to their children, to play with their children, to listen to their children. Perhaps they have their parents in a nursing home, but always are busy and cannot go and visit them and so leave them there, abandoned. ‘But I am very Catholic: I belong to that association,’ [they say]. This is the religion of saying: I say it is so, but I do according to the ways of the world.”The way of “saying and not doing,” says the Pope, “is a deception.” Isaiah's words indicate what is pleasing to God: “Cease to do evil, learn to do good,” and, “relieve the oppressed, do right by the orphan, plead for the widow.” It also shows another thing: the infinite mercy of God, which says to humanity, “Come, let us talk it over: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow.”: “The mercy of the Lord goes out to meet those who dare to argue with Him, but to argue about the truth, about the things one does or does not do, [and He argues] in order to correct me. This, then, is the great love of the Lord, in this dialectic between saying and doing. To be a Christian means to do: to do the will of God – and on the last day – because all of us we will have one – that day what shall the Lord ask us? Will He say: “What you have said about me?” No. He shall ask us about the things we did.”

Pioneer Mass in honour of Matt Talbot 10th March 8 p.m. St. Michael’s Church Castlepollard.

Mullingar Choral Society’s ‘War and Peace’ Concert to commemorate the 1916 Easter Rising will take place on Sunday, 6th March at 8pm in the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar.  The Choir will perform ‘The Armed Man: A Mass for Peace’ by Karl Jenkins, and Tchaikovsky’s 1812 Overture, accompanied by the City of Dublin Chamber Orchestra.  Admission €20 available on the door.

Plate:  €993,  Lenten Offerings: €110, Christmas Offerings: €20, Church Renovation envelopes: €220. Thanks to all who are so generous.