St. James’ Church St. Hugh’s Church **Vigil 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday 11 a.m. Sunday 9.30 a.m.**

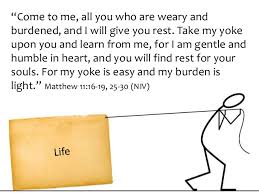
**Monday to Friday 9.30 a.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. Friday 8 p.m.**

**Confessions on Saturday from 7 – 8 p.m.**

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

**Kilbeggan after 9.30 a.m. Mass on Monday until 12 noon.i**

**Rahugh on Friday from 7 – 9 p.m. with Mass at 8 p.m.**

**Fr. Brendan, Harbour Rd. 057 9332155**

**Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary tIME**

**8 p.m. Malachy and Kathleen Lynam**

**James and Margaret Quirke, Mullingar Road.**

**9.30 a.m. Lizzie Matthews and parents**

**Vincent Abbott and deceased family**

**11am.**  **Michael McCormack, Monilea, Mullingar 1st Anniversary.**



**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**8 p.m. John Mulligan and family, Loughnagore**

**9.30 a.m. Ned and Cecilia Molloy**

**Joseph and Bridget Hogan**

**Patsy Plunkett**

**Noreen Lennon 20th Anniversary.**

**There are no weekday Masses this week.**

**Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Kelly, Coola who died during the week. May she rest in peace.**



**The Kilbeggan Apostolic Society are starting their annual collection this week in Kilbeggan and surrounding areas. We would like to take this opportunity to thank everybody who has been supporting us over the years and looking forward to your continued support.**

**National Church collection will take place on 22/23 July in all dioceses in aid of 25 million people facing hunger crisis in east-Africa: Kenya, South Sudan, Somalia and Ethiopia**



**Mass in the Old Graveyard in Rahugh on Thursday 20th July at**

**7.30 p.m. Clebrated by Fr. Shane Crombie.**

**This Weekend we will have a guest speaker for the Prolife Campaign at the Masses in the Parish.**

**Part of Pope Francis’ response to Angela Merkles’ request for a submission to the G8 Conference in Hamburg.**

**Time is greater than space**. The gravity, complexity and interconnection of world problems is such that there can be no immediate and completely satisfying solutions. Sadly, the migration crisis, which is inseparable from the issue of poverty and exacerbated by armed conflicts, is proof of this. It is possible, though, to set in motion processes that can offer solutions that are progressive and not traumatic, and which can lead in relatively short order to free circulation and to a settlement of persons that would be to the advantage of all. Nonetheless, this tension between space and time, between limit and fullness, requires an exactly contrary movement in the minds of government leaders and the powerful. An effective solution, necessarily spread over time, will be possible only if the final objective of the process is clearly present in its planning. In the minds and hearts of government leaders, and at every phase of the enactment of political measures, there is a need to give absolute priority to the poor, refugees, the suffering, evacuees and the excluded, without distinction of nation, race, religion or culture, and to reject armed conflicts.

At this point, I cannot fail to address to the Heads of State and of Government of the G20, and to the entire world community, a heartfelt appeal for the tragic situation in South Sudan, the Lake Chad basin, the Horn of Africa and Yemen, where thirty million people are lacking the food and water needed to survive. A commitment to meet these situations with urgency and to provide immediately support to those peoples will be a sign of the seriousness and sincerity of the mid-term commitment to reforming the world economy and a guarantee of its sound development.

**Unity prevails over conflict.** The history of humanity, in our own day too, presents us with a vast panorama of current and potential conflicts. War, however, is never a solution. As the hundredth anniversary of Pope Benedict XV’s Letter to the Leaders of the Warring Peoples draws near, I feel bound to ask that the world put an end to all these “useless slaughters”. The goal of the G20 and of other similar annual meetings is to resolve economic differences peacefully and to agree on common financial and trade rules to allow for the integral development of all, in order to implement the 2030 Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals (cf. Communiqué of the G20 Hangzhou Summit). Yet that will not be possible unless all parties commit themselves to substantially reducing levels of conflict, halting the present arms race and renouncing direct or indirect involvement in conflicts, as well as agreeing to discuss sincerely and transparently all their differences. There is a tragic contradiction and inconsistency in the apparent unity expressed in common forums on economic or social issues, and the acceptance, active or passive, of armed conflicts.

**Realities are more important than ideas**. The fateful ideologies of the first half of the twentieth century have been replaced by new ideologies of absolute market autonomy and financial speculation (cf. Evangelii Gaudium, 56). In their tragic wake, these bring exclusion, waste and even death. The significant political and economic achievements of the past century, on the other hand, were always marked by a sound and prudent pragmatism, guided by the primacy of the human being and the attempt to integrate and coordinate diverse and at times opposed realities, on the basis of respect for each and every citizen. I pray to God that the Hamburg Summit may be illumined by the example of those European and world leaders who consistently gave pride of place to dialogue and the quest of common solutions: Schuman, De Gasperi, Adenauer, Monnet and so many others.

**The whole is greater than the part**. Problems need to be resolved concretely and with due attention to their specificity, but such solutions, to be lasting, cannot neglect a broader vision. They must likewise consider eventual repercussions on all countries and their citizens, while respecting the views and opinions of the latter. Here I would repeat the warning that Benedict XVI addressed to the G20 London Summit in 2009. While it is reasonable that G20 Summits should be limited to the small number of countries that represent 90% of the production of wealth and services worldwide, this very situation must prompt the participants to a profound reflection. Those states and individuals whose voice is weakest on the world political scene are precisely the ones who suffer most from the harmful effects of economic crises for which they bear little or no responsibility. This great majority, which in economic terms counts for only 10% of the whole, is the portion of humanity that has the greatest potential to contribute to the progress of everyone. Consequently, there is need to make constant reference to the United Nations, its programmes and associated agencies, and regional organizations, to respect and honour international treaties, and to continue promoting a multilateral approach, so that solutions can be truly universal and lasting, for the benefit of all (cf. Benedict XVI, Letter to the Honourable Gordon Brown, 30 March 2009).

I offer these considerations as a contribution to the work of the G20, with trust in the spirit of responsible solidarity that guides all those taking part. I ask God’s blessings upon the Hamburg meeting and on every effort of the international community to shape a new era of development that is innovative, interconnected, sustainable, environmentally respectful and inclusive of all peoples and all individuals (cf. Communiqué of the G20 Hangzhou Summit). I take this occasion to assure Your Excellency of my high consideration and esteem

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