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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8 p.m. Edward and Ellen Wilson

Maureen and Tom Fox and their grandson Patrick Campbell

9.30

11a.m. Eammon and Colm Heffernan

Friday 8 p.m. Kitty Dunne Mountrath, First Anniversary

There is no morning Mass this week due to the Priests’ Retreat. There is a Communion Service each morning at 9.30 a.m. and 10 a.m. on Saturday.

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Feast of the Most Holy Trinity

8 p.m.Pat mcMahon and his brother in law Sean Duffy

9.30

11a.m. Mary Anne and Jack Gorry

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Please pray for the repose of the soul of Eamon Bohan, Skehanagh and England. And Rose Toomey, Kilnabin, Tullamore. May they rest in peace.

Graduation Mass for Leaving Cert. Students of Mercy Secondary School on Wednesday evening in St. James’ Church.

RAHUGH SOCIAL SERVICES are holding their annual dinner and social on Sunday 22nd May at 2.00pm.   All senior citizens are welcome.

Cardinal Tagle from the Philipines will celebrate Mass in the Cathedral on Friday 20 May at 10am.  All are welcome.  The Cardinal is giving the Priests Retreat starting on Sunday 15th May. I will be on the retreat until Friday that week.

Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock: Sunday 14th August. Bishop Smith will celebrate Mass at 3 pm in the Basilica and will be joined by the Diocesan Choir.

 Youth 2000 Summer Festival:   7th-10th July 2016  This event is one of the largest events held annually in Ireland for young people aged 16-35 years, last year there was over 1000 young people in attendance.  While this is not a Diocesan event, it is of great benefit to the Irish Church and gives young people a real understanding of wh. at their Catholic faith is all about. Link to promo video - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vBpj-4fgXdA>

**Bingo every Tuesday night 8.30 p.m. in Kilbeggan Parish Centre. All are welcome. We have €1,200 in cash prizes each night.**

A LIFE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FOR KITTY FLYNN-On Friday 20th May at 7.30a special event will take place in the Parish Centre in Kilbeggan when Kitty Flynn will be honoured with a Life Achievement Award. She recently celebrated her 90th birthday just three years after being awarded a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Community and Family Studies at NUI Galway. Kitty is an author, community worker in many organisations, historian and a lover of life. Everyone is invited to this special occasion which will include chat looking back over the years, music from locals including Frank Keoghan & friends, the Youth Choir, Kathleen Lennon & Neil Moran (anyone who dresses in 1916 style is very welcome- the Young At Heart). It is a great opportunity for Kilbeggan to honour a remarkable woman. Refreshments will be served. Stan McCormack 0877499857

From the Encyclical the Joy of Love. Pope Francis Love is at the service of others. The next word that Paul uses is Chrestéuetai The word is used only here in the entire Bible. It is derived from chrestós : a good person, one who shows his goodness by his deeds. Here, in strict parallelism with the preceding verb, it serves as a complement. Paul wants to make it clear that “patience” is not a completely passive attitude, but one accompanied by activity, by a dynamic and creative interaction with others. The word indicates that love benefits and helps others. For this reason it is translated as “kind”; love is ever ready to be of assistance. Throughout the text, it is clear that Paul wants to stress that love is more than a mere feeling. Rather, it should be understood along the lines of the Hebrew verb “to love”; it is “to do good”. As Saint Ignatius of Loyola said, “Love is shown more by deeds than by words” It thus shows its fruitfulness and allows us to experience the happiness of giving, the nobility and grandeur of spending ourselves unstintingly, without asking to be repaid, purely for the pleasure of giving and serving. Love is not jealous : Saint Paul goes on to reject as contrary to love an attitude expressed by the verb zelói – to be Spiritual Exercises, Contemplation to Attain Love jealous or envious. This means that love has no room for discomfiture at another person’s good fortune. Envy is a form of sadness provoked by another’s prosperity; it shows that we are not concerned for the happiness of others but only with our own well-being. Whereas love makes us rise above ourselves, envy closes us in on ourselves. True love values the other person’s achievements. It does not see him or her as a threat. It frees us from the sour taste of envy. It recognizes that everyone has different gifts and a unique path in life. So it strives to discover its own road to happiness, while allowing others to find theirs. In a word, love means fulfilling the last two commandments of God’s Law: “You shall not covet your neighbour’s house; you shall not covet your neighbour’s wife, or his manservant, or his maidservant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbour’s” Love inspires a sincere esteem for every human being and the recognition of his or her own right to happiness. I love this person, and I see him or her with the eyes of God, who gives us everything “for our enjoyment. As a result, I feel a deep sense of happiness and peace. This same deeply rooted love also leads me to reject the injustice whereby some possess too much and others too little. It moves me to find ways of helping society’s outcasts to find a modicum of joy. That is not envy, but the desire for equality.

Plate:  €1,889,  Trocaire: €35, Easter  & Lenten Offerings: €120, Church Renovation envelopes: €180. Thanks to all who are so generous.