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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Sixth Sunday of Easter

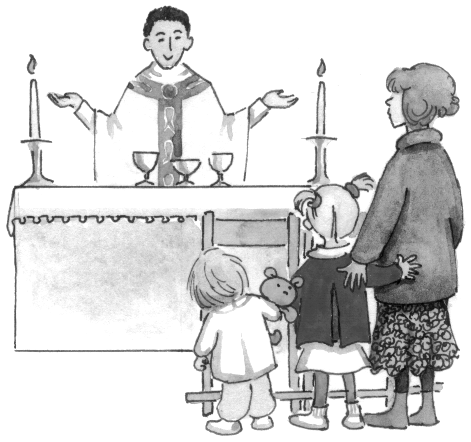
8 p.m. Patrick and Annie Claffey, Cumminstown

9.30 Joseph and Helena Abbott and Agnes Coyne

11a.m. John and Maura Clancy

Monday 10 a.m. Brigid and William Gallagher

Friday 9.30 a.m. 8 p.m. List of the Dead

There is no 10 Mass Saturday due to Communion at 11 a.m.

First Holy Communion for Scoil an Chlochair on Saturday next 7th May 11 a.m. St. Hugh’s School is Sunday 22th at 9.30 p.m. We wish all the girls and boys of Second Class in both schools every Blessing. Thanks to all the boys and girls who are singing in the choirs at the Masses.

*C:\Users\Brendan\Music\Pictures\1KUDO\CONTENT\LIT_L_E\01\EC_ASCG.TIF*The Ascension of Our Lord

8 p.m.Anthony and Mary Daly and daughter Una

Joseph Scally

Bernard Conroy

Anthony Reid

John and Bridie Dunican

9.30 Deceased Members of the Burke and Cole Family

11a.m. Norah Gorry Month’s Memory

Deceased memebrs and friends of the National; Ploughing Association.

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Meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council 8 p.m. Monday

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

Congratulations to the First Years in Mercy Secondary who had a wonderful Party Day on Wednesday to celebrate the Father’s Mercy, with the Sacrament of Reconciliation, veneration of the Icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in the Cathedral. They passed through the Holy Door as a sign of conversion to Jesus, and then had some fun and games. Thanks to the Staff from the School and the Youth Liturgy Group who were involved in organising the day.

RAHUGH SOCIAL SERVICES are holding a meeting on Wednesday 4th May at 8.30pm.  They would like to thank all who supported their recent fundraising event and especially The Sailors who provided the music on the night.

**Youth Liturgy Group meet in The Parish Centre every Friday from 6.30 – 8 p.m.. They organise Saturday Evening Mass for 20 -30 minutes and they spend the rest of the time having fun and sport. All teenagers are welcome to come along.**

**Ballinagore Macra will be having a Charity Tractor and Vintage Car Run in aid of Westmeath Hospice on Sunday the 1st of May starting at Ballinagore GAA Grounds. Entry is €25. Registration is from 11:30am and the run will start @ 1:00pm sharp. There will also be a raffle and refreshments on the day. All proceeds will go towards the charity so please try and show your support.**

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

**“The example of Jesus is a paradigm for the Church... He began his public ministry with the miracle at the wedding feast of Cana. He shared in everyday moments of friendship with the family of Lazarus and his sisters and with the family of Peter He sympathized with grieving parents and restored their children to life. In this way he demonstrated the true meaning of mercy, which entails the restoration of the covenant. This is clear from his conversations with the Samaritan woman and with the woman found in where the consciousness of sin is awakened by an encounter with Jesus’ gratuitous love”.**

**The incarnation of the Word in a human family, in Nazareth, by its very newness changed the history of the world. We need to enter into the mystery of Jesus’ birth, into that “yes” given by Mary to the message of the angel, when the Word was conceived in her womb, as well as the “yes” of Joseph, who gave a name to Jesus and watched over Mary. We need to contemplate the joy of the shepherds before the manger, the adoration of the Magi and the flight into Egypt, in which Jesus shares his people’s experience of exile, persecution and humiliation. We need to contemplate the religious expectation of Zechariah and his joy at the birth of John the Baptist, the fulfilment of the promise made known to Simeon and Anna in the Temple and the marvel of the teachers of the Law who listened to the wisdom of the child Jesus. We then need to peer into those thirty long years when Jesus earned his keep by the work of his hands, reciting the traditional prayers and expressions of his people’s faith and coming to know that ancestral faith until he made it bear fruit in the mystery of the Kingdom. This is the mystery of Christmas and the secret of Nazareth, exuding the beauty of family life! It was this that so fascinated Francis of Assisi, Theresa of the Child Jesus and Charles de Foucauld, and continues to fill Christian families with hope and joy. Pope Francis**

Jubilee Year Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: This is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the Jubilee of Mercy. The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from Sept 12-17 and will be led by Bishop Smith. The fare is €719 for full board and inclusive of insurance and travel taxes. To book contact: Pilgrimages Abroad Ltd, Tel 01-6359300.

In recent years many young people (18+) have travelled to Lourdes with the diocese seeking to find out more about this famous Shrine: to lend a hand to the pilgrims who are sick or infirmed, to look for some prayer space in busy lives and still to have a good time! Cost €450. If you are interested in travelling this September please contact email:  meathyouth[@gmail.com](mailto:fionamccabe21@gmail.com) Hospital Pilgrim Section Pat Lynagh 087 6628468

Plate:  €1,025, Trocaire: €135,  Easter Offerings; €265, Church Renovation envelopes: €320.  Thanks to all who are so generous.