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.

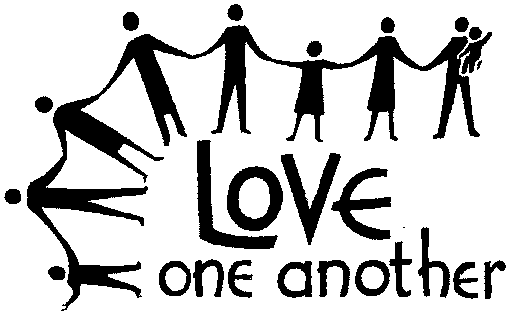
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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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**Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**8 p.m.** Noel and Teresa Kennedy Julia and Paddy Dempsey

John Stones 28th Anniversary ***9.30a.m.***

**11 a.m.** John, Mary and Greta Langan (remembering Gretta’s 70th Birthday and 45th Anniversary of her death).

Edward and Elizabeth Gorry, Arden

Christopher and Philomena Conlon

Mary and Michael Brennan

**Monday 9.30 a.m.** Peter McCarron

***Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time***

**OTA_24D8 p.m**. Robin and Mary Tormay

Baby Christina Gardiner

Thomas and Eithne Barry

John and Marty Guilfoyle and deceased family.

Kathleen Colgan

**9.30 a.m.**

SC_47_C**11a.m**. John Langan

**Confirmation next year for Castletown Geoghegan &Kilbeggan will take place at on Thursday 23 April  at 3 pm in Castletown-Geoghegan Church.There is special time of preparation for the boys and girls who ask to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.**

Message from Bishop Smith: On Sunday 7 September, we will celebrate the 75th anniversary of the consecration of the Cathedral.  The Jubilee Mass will commence at 11 am, followed by a parish social in the environs of the Cathedral .You may be aware that Rev. Declan Kelly and Rev. Ciaran Clarke will be ordained to the priesthood on 21 and 28 September respectively.    As part of the Cathedral Jubilee celebrations, Bishop Colm O'Reilly will conduct an hour of prayer for priests on Wednesday 24 September at 7 pm in the Cathedral.  It is hoped that all priests will be able to come.  Lay people should also be invited, especially members of St Joseph's Young Priests Society, those involved in prayer for vocations and family members of clergy.  This gathering responds to the Lord's call to prayer, as Pope Francis emphasised on Vocations Sunday earlier this year –

"*Behind and before every vocation to the priesthood is always the strong and intense prayer of someone: a grandmother, a grandfather, a mother, a father, a community ... That's why Jesus said, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38). The vocations are born in prayer and from prayer, and only in prayer can they persevere and bear fruit”Bishop Smith.*

 “The Joy of Conversion” is the pastoral theme for our pilgrimage to Lourdes this year. On Friday September 12 over 800 pilgrims from our Diocese will travel to Lourdes, among them are many of our elderly and sick and over 200 volunteer helpers. These are important days for our entire diocese.. During this time we invite all the people of the diocese to be part of this great movement of prayer. This is also a time to acknowledge with gratitude the generosity of so many people in our diocese who make this pilgrimage possible. Yopur intentions will be remembered in Lourdes. If you want to send a petition please leave it in the Petition Box in Kilbeggan Church.

Catherine O’Halloran will be making her First Profession with the Ceili Community at St. James’ Church Kilbeggan on Sunday 7th September at 6p.m. Please keep her in your prayers.



Coffee Morning Westmeath Hospice  on Thursday September 18th 2014 from 9.45a.m. - 12.30p.m. in Parish Centre.

**TWITTER @PONTIFEX** At the General Audience Wednesday, Pope Francis told Arabic speaking pilgrims and “particularly those from Iraq,” that “like all mothers,” the Church accompanies her needy children.  She “raises up the fallen child, heals his wounds, seeks the lost… and defends those who are defenceless and persecuted.”  The assured “especially these last of you, the defenceless and persecuted, that you are in the heart of the Church; the Church suffers with you and is proud of you; you are her strength and the concrete and authentic witness of her message of salvation, of forgiveness and love.I embrace all of you, all of you.  May the Lord bless you and protect you!”



 committed an initial €300,000 to support its Caritas partners to respond to this evolving emergency and assess the needs of vulnerable populations, the most pressing of which are food, water and essential living supplies. Trocaire echoes the call of Pope Francis for prayers for Christians and all other populations that are suffering at the present time.

Bingo every Tuesday night 8.30 p.m. in Kilbeggan Parish Centre. All welcome. We have €1,100 in cash prizes each night.

Rahugh Hall Development Associatioin is holding a Monster Auction Sunday next 14th September.  If anyone has suitable items they would like to donate please contact a committee member or phone 044 9223313. All are welcome

Have you time to spare ? Athlone Samaritans need additional volunteers to maintain their befriending service. No experience necessary as training provided. if interested please call or text 085 2845010. The Samaritans provide 24 emotional support on Freephone 116 123.

Teagasc invite you to a BETTER beef farm walk in Chris McCarthy's, Crookedwood on Wed 10th Sept at 2pm & 6pm. This is a must-see farm for Suckler farmers. All are welcome

"Meath Diocesan Pioneers- Spirituality Day Sunday  5th October -Bloomfield Hotel Mullingar,10.30AM to 6PM Mass, Adoration, talks, Panel discussion with Robert Shannon (President of PTAA) and  Fr Mc Guckian (Spiritial director).Lunch and evening tea also included. Tickets E25. Contact Kathleen Lennon Kilbeggan or PJ Egan Rahugh for more information tickets."

Plate:   €1,297,  Offerings:   €110,  Shrine: €551,  Building Fund:  €100. Thanks to all who are so generous.