

God's People Our Parish

KILBEGGAN: Saturday Vigil 7.30p.m. & Sunday 11a.m.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9.30a.m. Wednesday 7.30p.m. & Saturday 10a.m Confessions - Saturday 10.30a.m. - 11.30a.m.

RAHUGH: Sunday 9.30a.m. & Friday 7.30p.m.

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First Sunday of Advent

7.30 p.m. Tom and Kathleen Fox, their son Tom and daughter Eily

Tom and Dympna Reid

Jim and Teresa Gilligan, and Sarah McDonnell

9.30 a.m.

11 a.m. Nuala, Julia, Michael, Jodie, Ned, Michael Jnr. and Martin McCormack

Michael Garvey

John Keegan, Ballymacmorris

First Friday 9.30 a.m. (Kilbeggan) and 7.30 p.m. (Rahugh) List of the Dead



Second Sunday of Advent

7.30 p.m. Kathleen Stones, First Anniversary

Mai Kelly, First Anniversary

Dick and Brendan Keoghan, and deceased family

Mary and Paddy Daniels

9.30 a.m. Rose Wyer

11a.m. Fr James Kelly, S.J.

Christopher and Monica Duffy Joseph McCormack, Main St.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Tony Fallon, Shureen, who died this week. May he rest in peace.





Plate Collection: €1,345; Maintenance Fund: €110; List of the Dead: €50;

November Offerings: €225. Thanks to all who are so generous.

Catholic Newspaper on sale at the entrance for €3.50 per copy.

The Irish Catholic



Leading up to Christmas we have two more Sycamore sessions, which will help you engage with your faith.

It is on each Tuesday at 7.30 p.m. with sessions lasting one hour. A short video is shown with breaks to chat about what is in the video. This will be a great preparation for Christmas and the celebration of the Birth of our Saviour. All are welcome.

Parish Charity Shop: Great Christmas gifts available at keen prices. If you have items you would like to bring to the shop, please do so during opening hours. **Open Monday to Friday**, **10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thanks to the ladies in the shop and all who support the shop.**





Our Christmas Party at the Cosy Café, 11-1 p.m. Tuesday 9th December in Kilbeggan Parish Centre. Carols with children from Scoil an Chlochair, and Music by the Elderly Brothers. We are trying to make our Parish more dementia inclusive. All are welcome from surrounding area. 087 2618353.





I will bring holy Communion to the Sick and housebound this week. If a member of your family would like to receive Holy Communion, please let me know. 087 2618353

We will have tea/coffee and scones in the Parish Centre after 9.30 a.m. Mass on Tuesday morning. All are welcome.





Pope Leo canonised Bartolo Longo (1841–1926) on Sunday 19th October 2025.

St Bartolo underwent one of the most dramatic conversions in recent Church history. He grew up in a Catholic household, but after studying law at a university in Naples, Italy, he went from being a practicing Catholic to taking part in anti-papal demonstrations to becoming an atheist, then a Satanist, and eventually being "ordained" to the Satanist priesthood, and celebrating black masses. He developed depression and a friend asked him to speak to a priest. Through the prayers of his family and the influence of devout friends, particularly Professor Vincenzo Pepe and Dominican priest Father Alberto Radente, Longo experienced a profound conversion, renouncing his past and returning wholeheartedly to the Catholic Church. Following his conversion, Longo dedicated his life

to promoting the rosary and the message of mercy and hope through the Virgin Mary. He settled in the poverty-stricken town of Pompeii where he began restoring a dilapidated church and and put up a picture of Our Lady giving the Rosary to St Dominic and St Teresa of Avila. He worked tirelessly to build a Marian shrine dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary. His efforts culminated in the construction of the Shrine of Our Lady of the Rosary of Pompeii, which continues to be a major pilgrimage site to this day. St Bartolo promoted the rosary as a prayer that would lead people to salvation. In addition to his religious work, Longo was a tireless advocate for social justice. He founded schools, orphanages, and charitable institutions, especially for the children of prisoners, believing in the power of education and mercy to transform lives. In 1980, he was beatified by Pope John Paul II, who called him the "Apostle of the Rosary."



'The Way' is a digital multimedia platform set up by the Irish Bishops Conference dedicated to sharing the Good News and the witness of the Catholic Church in Ireland. The very early Church, the first believers were known as followers of 'the Way' (e.g. Acts 9:2). In answer to the question 'how can we know the way?' (John 14:5) Jesus declared that 'I am the Way, the Truth and Life.' This platform is intend-

ed to help people to know the Way – to discover the faith, live the faith and pass on the faith. It is for both seekers and followers. Together, we are led by Christ to be pilgrims of hope. See https://theway.ie/



HOPE acts as the deep-seated drive that keeps us walking in difficulty, that prevents us from giving up in the fatigue of the journey, that makes us certain that the pilgrimage of existence will lead us home. Without hope, life risks appearing to be a parenthesis between two eternal nights, a brief pause between the before and the after of our journey on earth. To hope in life means instead to anticipate the destination, to believe as certain

what we still cannot see or touch, to trust and to entrust ourselves to the love of a Father who created us because he wanted us with love, and wants us to be happy. *Pope Leo, General audience, 26 Nov. 2025*

Mullingar Choral Society will hold their Annual Christmas Concert: 'The Joy of Christmas' in the Cathedral of Christ the King Mullingar on Sunday 7th December 2025 commencing at 7pm. Tickets are Single, €10. Family €20, and are available from any choir member, on the door on the night or from Eventbrite.





Kilbeggan Christmas Market - Sunday December 7th - Parish Centre, Kilbeggan. Festive foods, baked goods, arts and crafts. Plenty of stalls. 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Santa Claus will be making a special visit to the Parish Centre Kilbeggan on Saturday 6th Dec. after 7.30 p.m. Mass



Mercy Secondary School Kilbeggan Parents Association are holding a fundraising Table Quiz on Thursday 4th December @7:30pm in the school PE Hall. €40 for a table of 4, plenty of spot prizes on the night. All support greatly appreciated. To book a table please contact Siobhain @ 0872411599.