# God's People Our Parish

## St. James and St Hugh, Kilbeggan and Rahugh

Vigil 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday 11 a.m.

Sunday 9.30 a.m. Rahugh

Monday to Friday 9.30 a.m. and Saturday 10 a.m

"Refreshing Joy of the Lord"

8 p.m. 9.30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Second Sunday of Lent

**Rosaleen Rock** 

Ann Donoghue

9.30 a.m. 11.a.m.

Arden

11 a.m.

8 p.m. Patrick and Elizabeth Morgan

Liam Gorry Grange, and deceased family

9.30 a.m. Crombie Family, Monasette

8 p.m. Stephen Crowe Month's Memory

Third Sunday of Lent

Dr. Gabriel Flynn D.C.U..

LO a.m Friday 8 p.m

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### "We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God"

#### 2 Cor 5:20

This year the Lord grants us, once again, a favourable time to prepare to celebrate with renewed hearts the great mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus, the cornerstone of our personal and communal Chris-

tian life. We must continually return to this mystery in mind and heart, for it will continue to grow within us in the measure that we are open to its spiritual power and respond with freedom and generosity.

Christian joy flows from listening to, and accepting, the Good News of the death and resurrection of Jesus.

This kerygma sums up the mystery of a love "so real, so true, so concrete, that it invites us to a relationship of openness and fruitful dialogue" (Christus Vivit, 117). Whoever believes this message rejects the lie that our life is ours to do with as we will. Rather, life is born of the love of God our Father, from his desire to grant us life in abundance (cf. Jn 10:10). If we listen instead to the tempting voice of the "father of lies" (Jn 8:44), we risk sinking into the abyss of absurdity, and experiencing hell here on earth, as all too many tragic events in the personal and collective human experience sadly bear witness.

In this Lent of 2020, I would like to share with every Christian what I wrote to young people in the Apostolic Exhortation Christus Vivit: "Keep your eyes fixed on the outstretched arms of Christ crucified, let yourself be saved over and over again. And when you go to confess your sins, believe firmly in his mercy which frees you of your guilt. Contemplate his blood poured out with such great love, and let yourself be cleansed by it. In this way, you can be reborn ever anew" (No. 123). Jesus' Pasch is not a past event; rather, through the power of the Holy Spirit it is ever present, enabling us to see and touch with faith the flesh of Christ in those who suffer. **Excerpt from Pope Francis message for Lent.** 

Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give vou rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." Mt.11: 28-30



Make love your aim 1 Cor 14:1





Trocaire boxes are available at the entrances to the churches. You can bring back y our contribution after Easter and we will forward it to Trocaire or you can send it directly.

> Plate: €1,105, Lenten Offerings: €270, Easter Offerings: €50. Church Renovation: envelopes: €615 Thanks to all who contribute to the Parish



#### Vocations Information Day: April 5th: St Mary's Church, Navan

The Diocese will hold a vocations information day on Palm Sunday in St. Mary's Church, Navan. If you have been considering the priesthood this is an opportunity for you to find out more about what

priesthood entails, about seminary studies; and a chance to explore God's call to priesthood in a deeper way. The event begins at 1pm with the Mass form Palm Sunday in the Parish Church. For more information please contact Fr Shane Crombie frshane@gmail.com

**Parish Charity Shop :** Sale on in childrens' wear at present. New



#### **Confessions each Saturday**

7-8 p.m. An opportunity to

be freed from sin and to rejoice in the mercy of God.



"What would happen if we treated the Bible as we treat our mobile phone? If we always carried it with us, or at least a small pocket Bible, what would happen? If we went back to look for it when we forgot it, if we opened it several times a day; what would happen if we read God's messages contained in the Bible as we read our phone messages? The comparison is clearly paradoxical, but it makes us reflect. If we had the Word of God always in our heart, no temptation would be able to es-

trange us from God and no obstacle would be capable of making us deviate from the path of goodness; we would be able to overcome the daily suggestions of evil that are in us and outside us; we would be more capable of living a resurrected life according to the Spirit, receiving and loving our brothers, especially the weakest and

#### Young at Heart

meetings Mondays 3pm. In the Parish Centre. New Members welcome.

#### **Blessing of Expectant Parents and Child.**

Parents who would like to receive a blessing for themselves and their expected baby can do so in a small ceremony after 11 a.m. Mass on Sundays in the Baptismal Area. It is a simple cere-



mony for expectant parents lasting a few minutes.



**Living Links Coffee** Morning



on Friday the 13th March In the Parish Centre after 9.30 a.m. Mass. All welcome

at 7.30pm.

Mullingar on Friday 13th of March

Meath Pioneers Novena

to Venerable Matt Talbot

will take place in Cathedral of Christ the King

### Kilbeggan and Rahugh Parish Pastoral Council Nomination Form

It is hoped to have a cross section of committed people from the parish , or persons neighbouring who attend Mass here, on the P.P.C. You can nominate the people you feel best suited for building up of the parish in the ways mentioned over the past few weeks in the bulletin. We hope to have the new P.P.C. in place before Easter. You can nominate yourself if you wish. If you are nominating a person please ask them if they are willing to go forward. We would like to have an age, gender and area balance. Nomination forms are available at the entrance to the churches also. They can be put in the collection baskets at Masses or in the boxes at the altar in the churches. We hope to have 15-20 on the P.P.C..

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Nominate
Address
They have agreed to be nominated (yes or no)

