

# God's People Our Parish

St. James and St Hugh, Kilbeggan and Rahugh

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

Monday to Friday 9.30 a.m. and Saturday 10 a.m Fr. Brendan, Harbour Rd. 057 9332155 087 2618353

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**Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you 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

## Churches Open Every Day

**Masses and Exposition with Rosary are on WEBCAM each day**

**MCN MEDIA KILBEGGAN**

**Exposition of Blessed Sacrament**

**Sunday — Friday 7.30 – 8 p.m.**

**Fifth Anniversary of “Laudato Si” Pope Francis’ document on the environment.**



The poor communities around the world are already the early

and disproportionate victims of the current ecological degradation and we cannot remain indifferent any longer to the increasingly desperate “cry of the earth and the cry of the poor” (LS, 49). The fifth anniversary of the encyclical comes in the midst of another watershed moment - a global pandemic - and Laudato Si's message is just as prophetic today as it was in 2015. The encyclical can indeed provide the moral and spiritual compass for the journey to create a more caring, fraternal, peaceful and sustainable world. We have, in fact, a unique opportunity to transform the present groaning and travail into the birth pangs of a new way of living together, bonded together in love, compassion and solidarity, and a more harmonious relationship with the natural world, our common home. Truly, COVID-19 has made clear how

**We received a gift of €725 and a gift of €500 for the Renovation Fund this week. Thanks to all who are so generous in different ways.**

## Ascension of Our Lord.

**8 p.m.**

**11 a.m.** Willie Fitzgerald First Anniversary

Mary Anne and Jack Gorry

Joe and Kitty Dunne, Mountrath House

Tom Colgan, his brother Joe and the Colgan Family.

## Pentecost Sunday

**Saturday 8 p.m.** Pat McMahon and Sean Duffy

**11.am.** Paddy and Mary Daniels Nuala Williams

Deceased members of the Ryan Family Moate Rd.



Please pray for the repose of the soul of Annie O' Beirne Kilmore, Roscommon. Aunt of Mary Lynagh. who died last week, may she rest in peace.

deeply we are all interconnected and interdependent. As we begin to envision a post-COVID world, we need above all an integral approach as “everything is closely interrelated and today's problems call for a vision capable of taking into account every aspect of the global crisis” (LS, 137).

**THANK YOU!**



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being alive, let us offer praise and thanks to our heavenly Father “ Pope Francis.

Dear Brothers and Sisters: In our continuing catechesis on prayer, we now consider the mystery of creation. The first pages of the Bible resemble a great hymn of thanksgiving for the goodness and beauty of creation, whose grandeur awakens a sense of wonder within the human heart and a desire to pray. The awe-inspiring immensity of creation stirs us to contemplate the mystery of our own being. Though we may experience the weight of our insignificance, we are not nothing. Prayer assures us that things do not exist merely by chance, and that our relationship with God is the source of our nobility. Men and women, by nature, may be almost nothing; yet by vocation, they are children of a great King! Amidst the difficulties and trials of life, prayer sustains our appreciation and gratitude, for it gives vigour to our hope. The hope of those who pray can in turn help others to realize that life is a gift from God; that hope is stronger than despair; that love is stronger than death. For the simple joy of being alive, let us offer praise and thanks to our heavenly Father.

POPE FRANCIS GENERAL AUDIENCE Wednesday, 20 May 2020

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## God is always Mercy

The new evangelization can say to those who are alienated from God and the church that God was graciously and mercifully near to them, even when they imagined that they were far from him, and just like the father in the parable of the prodigal son, who went out to meet him, God has waited for them, in order to welcome them back to him and to reinstate them in their rights as his sons (see Luke 15:20–24). Like the good Samaritan, God picks them up, as it were, from the side of the road, bends over them, and binds their wounds (Luke 10:30–35). Like the good shepherd, he goes after them, when they go astray and are caught in whatever thicket, and he puts them on his—on our—shoulders and carries them, full of joy, back to the community of all Christians. We can assure those who are alienated and who, nevertheless, are often much closer than they themselves think, that there is more joy in heaven over a single sinner who has repented than over ninety-nine righteous people, who do not need to repent (see Luke 15:3–7). When the church attests to the mercy of God, it not only proclaims the deepest truth about God, it also proclaims the deepest truth about us humans. For the deepest truth about God is that God is love, which bestows itself and is always ready to forgive anew (1 John 3:8, 16). The deepest truth about human beings is that God in his love has created us in a wonderful fashion, that he has not forsaken us even when we have distanced ourselves from him, and that he has mercifully re-established us and our dignity in a still-more wonderful way. He descended to us in our deepest abasement in order to raise us to himself and draw us to his heart. There we can finally find rest and peace. Augustine begins his Confessions, after a restless life, by saying: “You move us to delight in praising you; for you have formed us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find rest in you.”