

God's People Our Parish

St. James and St Hugh, Kilbeggan and Rahugh

Saturday Vigil 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sunday 9.30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Monday to Friday 9.30 a.m. Friday 7.30 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m.

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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



Thanking all mothers for their love and sacrifices, for their support and understanding, their generosity and goodness.

Fourth Sunday of Lent

8 p.m. Jim and Bess Murray, Correagh and Walnut Lane

11 a.m. Peter, Mary Jo, Sean, Ita, Jim and deceased members of the Commins family.
Crombie Family, Monasette

St Patrick's Day

Tuesday 8 p.m.

Wednesday 11 a.m.

We wish all our parishioners at home and away a blessed feast day and we pray to St. Patrick for our country in these difficult times



Friday 9.30am & 7.30pm Feast of St Joseph

Saturday 10 a.m. Maudie Hoare

Fifth Sunday of Lent

8 p.m. Ita, Jim and Katie Norton and deceased family members
Patrick and Elizabeth Morgan, Moate Road

11 a.m. John and Ellen Craig

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Sean Mc Nevin, Main St. who died during the week in his 98th year. May he rest in peace.

St. Patrick's Breastplate

Christ with me, Christ before me,
Christ behind me, Christ in me,
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ on my right, Christ on my left,
Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down,
Christ when I arise, Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,
Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in every ear that hears me. I arise today
Through a mighty strength, the invocation of the Trinity, Through belief in the Threeness, Through confession of the Oneness of the Creator of creation.

Plate €360; Renovation Fund Envelopes €740; Offerings €510. Thanks to all who contribute in whatever way to the parish, your generosity is appreciated. If you wish you can leave your envelopes and contributions in the collection tables in the Church or in the Parochial House.

FAMILY ROSARY and BENEDICTION

Sun, Mon, Tues and Thursday 7.30 p.m.



STATIONS of the CROSS



Wednesday 7.30p.m.
during LENT



Make love your aim

1 Cor 14:1



We are preparing new boxes of envelopes at the moment. If you have been receiving a box and do not want one please let us know. If you have not been receiving one and would like one please let us know by leaving your name and address in one of the collection tables in the Church in Kilbeggan .

Excerpts from Bishops' statement on the Covid-19 restrictions Tuesday 9 March 2021

"Throughout this time of pandemic the approach of the Church has been firmly grounded in the protection of health and life and in the promotion of the Common Good. We recognise that strong restrictions are necessary in times of grave threat to public health. However, such restrictions on personal freedom should be proportionate and for the shortest time possible. Consideration must also be given to people's mental, spiritual and emotional wellbeing. For people of faith, gathering for worship is fundamental to their identity and to their spiritual lives.

Despite assurances from the Taoiseach last month that the concerns expressed by the Archbishops would be given serious consideration, we note with disappointment that none of the issues raised has been responded to. We therefore make an urgent appeal that the following matters be addressed:

That the easing of restrictions from Level 5 should include the restoration of public worship, albeit in a safe and limited way. For people of faith not to be free to worship until regulations return to Level 2, whilst many other restrictions are eased, is seen as particularly distressing and unjust.

That the number of mourners permitted at funeral services be increased, with immediate effect, noting that in Northern Ireland this number has not been reduced below 25. The current restriction places immense burdens on grieving families, compounding the pain of their loss.

We strongly believe that allowing these measures would contribute greatly to giving a sense of hope and consolation to many in our Church - in line with the central message of Easter. These measures would be a substantial support to the wellbeing of individuals and parish communities, and ultimately serve the Common Good of all. *Full statement www.kilbegganparish.ie*



Pope Francis speaks about his Pilgrimage of Peace to Iraq. The Iraqi people have the right to live in peace; they have the right to rediscover the dignity that belongs to them. Their religious and cultural roots go back thousands of years: Mesopotamia is the cradle of civilization. Historically, Baghdad is a city of primary importance. For centuries, it housed the richest library in the world. And what destroyed it? War. War is always that monster

that transforms itself with the change of epochs and continues to devour humanity. But the response to war is not another war; the response to weapons is not other weapons. And I asked myself: who was selling the weapons to the terrorists? Who sells weapons today to the terrorists – which are causing massacres in other areas, let's think of Africa, for example? It is a question that I would like someone to answer. The response is not war, but the response is fraternity. This is the challenge not only for Iraq. It is the challenge for many regions in conflict and, ultimately, the challenge for the entire world is fraternity. Will we be capable of creating fraternity among us? Of building a culture of brothers and sisters? Or will we continue the logic Cain began: war. Brothers and sisters. Fraternity.

For this reason, we met and we prayed with Christians and Muslims, with representatives of other religions, in Ur, where Abraham received God's call about four thousand years ago. Abraham is our father in the faith because he listened to God's voice that promised him a descendant. He left everything and departed. God is faithful to His promises and guides our steps toward peace still today. He guides the steps of those who journey on Earth with their gaze turned toward Heaven. And in Ur – standing together under those luminous heavens, the same heavens that our father Abraham saw, we, his descendants – the phrase you are all brothers and sisters seemed to resound once again.

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