# God's People Our Parish

St. James and St Hugh, Kilbeggan and Rahugh

Saturday Vigil 6 p.m. and 7.30 p.m.

Sunday 9.30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

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

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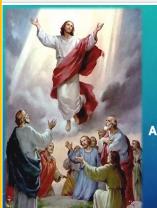
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Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is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



Make love your aim 1 Cor 14:1



All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations,...

And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."

MATTHEW 28, 18-20

#### Ascension of the Lord

6 p.m.

7.30 p.m. Bernard Conroy

9.30 a.m.

11 a.m. Frank Keoghan **Andy Hennessy** Oliver O'Neill, Skehanagh, 5th Anniversary Noel, Marcella and Bill Nannery

PENTECOST

SUNDAY

Thursday 9.30 a.m. Annie Beirne Friday 7.30 p.m. Johnny and Anna Harte Saturday 10 a.m. John Fox, Loughnavalley.

Pentecost Sunday

6p.m.

7.30 p.m. Lockie, Kathleen and Jack Guilfoyle 9.30 a.m.

11a.m. Pat McMahon and Sean Duffy Mary Anne and Jack Gorry



Reading the Scripture Resting in God Responding in Action

LECTIO DIVINA On Wednesday evening at 7.30 p.m. we will have Reflecting on the Meaning Lectio Divina when we will reflect on the Gospel for Responding through Praye next Sunday's Mass. The Reading is John 20:19-23. The Readings for Mass are available on the Parish Website www.kilbegganparish.ie. This will give us an opportuni-

ty to reflect and pray before the Blessed Sacrament. It will last 25-30 minutes.

**Thanks to Fr. Joe Campbell**, who has been with us for the past six months and cared for the parish while I was in hospital and recovering. We wish him

> every blessing on his new appointment to Tullamore, and thank him for his presence and kindness.



Plate: €320, Offerings €270 Renovation Fund Envelopes €550. Thanks to everyone for their generosity to the Parish

I have forwarded the money you left into the parish for Trocaire . The total came to €5,719. Thanks to all who were so generous in their contributions.



### Great to be back at Masses as a Parish

We returned to public Masses and Church ceremonies on Monday 10th May. We can have two "Pods" of 50 in St. James' Church at the weekend Masses. In order to achieve this we ask people to follow the instructions of the stewards and to enter by the side entrances . Hand sanitisers are available at

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RETURNING TO MASS

each door. We will still have the

outside speakers for those who wish to stay in their cars.

#### **New Mass Schedule**

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

Saturday 6.00 p.m. and 7.30 p.m. — this is a change from the 8 p.m. Those who have booked Masses for Saturday night at 8 p.m. please note the change in order to alert family who may be travelling or joining on webcam.

Sunday 9.30 a.m. and 11 a.m

Unfortunately we are unable to have public Masses in St. Hugh's yet.



The Parish Charity Shop reopens on Monday 17th 10.30 – 5.00 Mon to Friday. Saturday 10.30— 1.00 p.m. Thanks for your continued support. There are plenty of new items for sale. All are welcome to visit the shop. Thanks to all the ladies in the shop.

DON'T FORGET TO VISIT OUR PARISH WEBSITE: WWW.KILBEGGANPARISH.IE



## Pope St. John Paul II A witness to forgiveness for the world

Thursday, 13 May, marked the 40th anniversary of the assassination attempt on Pope John Paul II. He accredited the saving of his life and his recovery to Our Lady of Fatima, whose feast day it was. Ali Agca, the assassin was sent to gaol, but that was not the end of the story.

The assassination attempt was on the Wednesday, and John Paul chose to pray the Regina Coeli from the Gemelli hospital on the Sunday. And again, that was our

Vatican Radio technicians in the room with him and the sound of his voice. Rome literally stood still. Nothing moved in the city while everybody stopped in their cars or homes to listen to his voice. And of course the first thing he says is, I forgive the brother — "il fratello" - the brother who did this to me. We all remember the visit to the jail, but we forget that took place two years later. It was the 27th of December 1983 when the Pope visited the jail, and those incredible 20 minutes of him talking to his would-be killer. But the first pardon came within days during that Regina Coeli address when he said I forgive the brother and I pray for him.

The Pope met with Ali Ağca's mother in 1987, he met with his brother ten years later. He maintained a relationship with this family. Some people think that's weird that he would do so, but it fits perfectly within the scheme of John Paul's idea of forgiveness and his witness to forgiveness. Our world needs this witness today.