

# God's People Our Parish

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

Saturday Vigil 7.30 p.m. Kilbeggan Sunday 9.30 a.m. Rahugh and 11 a.m. Kilbeggan

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

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Confessions Saturday 10.30 a.m. - 11.30 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



**Make love your aim**  
1 Cor 14:1

### Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7.30 p.m. Mick Dillon

Philomena Robinson and her husband Patrick

Patrick and Julia Maher, and deceased Maher and Hogan families

9.30 a.m. Mollie Slevin

11 a.m. Gerald Cooney, Months Memory

Monday 9.30 a.m. Bridget Lynagh

Tuesday 9.30 a.m. Pat and Enda Blake

Wednesday 9.30 a.m. Feast of St Brigid

Thursday 9.30 a.m. Presentation of the Lord Blessing of Candles

Friday 9.30 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. Feast of St. Blaise Blessing of throats

### Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7.30 p.m. Stephen Crowe

9.30 a.m. 11 a.m.

**Plate: €1,215; Renovation Fund: €295; Offerings: €240. Thanks to all who are so generous.**

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Sr Frances O'Brien, Convent of Mercy, Tullamore, sister of Annie Clavin, and Kathleen Neary (née Burke), Elphin, sister-in-law of Joe Dunne, who died during the week. May they rest in peace.



### Parish Charity Shop

**The Charity Shop will open on Tuesday.** Now that the parish debt is cleared, we hope to extend the work of the shop to support others. Many families in the Parish have been affected by cancer. We will now be supporting The Lakelands Area Retreat and Cancer Support Centre (LARCC). The Centre offers many much-needed supports to cancer patients, their families who have issues, and those who want help with children. The following services will be available: Complementary Therapies, Manual Lymphatic Drainage Therapy, Counselling & Support, Counselling,



Nurse Support, Telephone Support / Helpline, Bereavement Support Children's Services. The shop will also continue to support the Parish so that we can build up resources to fund development and maintenance. Leaflets about L.A.R.C.C. are available in the Charity Shop.



**Pope Francis' Intention for February** We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.



**Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network**



### III. The Eucharist in the Economy of Salvation From Catechism of the Catholic Church

The signs of bread and wine. At the heart of the Eucharistic celebration are the bread and wine that, by the words of Christ and the invocation of the Holy Spirit, become Christ's Body and Blood. Faithful to the Lord's command the Church continues to do, in his memory and until his glorious return, what he did on the eve of his Passion: "He took bread...." "He took the cup filled with wine...." the signs of bread and



wine become, in a way surpassing understanding, the Body and Blood of Christ; they continue also to signify the goodness of creation. Thus in the Offertory we give thanks to the Creator for bread and wine, fruit of the "work of human hands," but above all as "fruit of the earth" and "of the vine" - gifts of the Creator. The Church sees in the gesture of the king-priest Melchizedek, who "brought out bread and wine," a prefiguring of her own offering.

In the Old Covenant bread and wine were offered in sacrifice among the first fruits of the earth as a sign of grateful acknowledgment to the Creator. But they also received a new significance in the context of the Exodus: the unleavened bread that Israel eats every year at Passover commemorates the haste of the departure that liberated them from Egypt; the remembrance of the manna in the desert will always recall to Israel that it lives by the bread of the Word of God; their daily bread is the fruit of the promised land, the pledge of God's faithfulness to his promises. The "cup of blessing" at the end of the Jewish Passover meal adds to the festive joy of wine an eschatological dimension: the messianic expectation of the rebuilding of Jerusalem. When Jesus instituted the Eucharist, he gave a new and definitive meaning to the blessing of the bread and the cup.

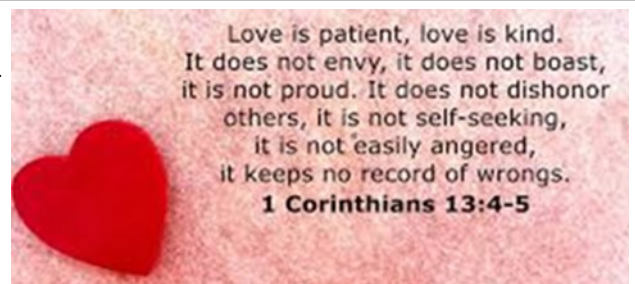
#### Praying with the Bible - Try it this week?

We Pray with Scripture: **Lectio Divina** God speaks to us personally through Sacred Scripture. This means that we don't read the Bible, we pray the Bible. A Catholic form of prayer that originated in the monasteries of early Christianity is **Lectio Divina (sacred reading)**. These are its four steps: **lectio (reading)**—We slowly and prayerfully read a brief passage of Scripture several times.

**meditatio (reflecting)** We reflect upon the passage, a word, a phrase, or a verse that captures our attention.

**oratio (expressing)**—We respond to God's Word in our own words, expressing joy, contrition, praise, thanks, or love.

**contemplatio (resting)**—We rest silently in God's presence.



I will bring Holy Communion to the Sick and housebound this week. If anyone in your family would like to be visited, please let me know.

Confessions are available on Saturday 10.30—11. 30 a.m. or at the Parochial House if you wish the Sacrament at other times.



#### Scoil Aodha Naofa Rahugh — Enrolment for Junior Infants September 2023

A copy of the school's **Admission Policy, Admission Notice and Application Form for Admission** to Scoil Aodha Naofa, Rahugh 2023/2024 is available as follows: – on request by emailing: [info@rahughns.com](mailto:info@rahughns.com) downloading from [www.rahughns.com](http://www.rahughns.com) or by phoning: **044 922 3584**

**RAHUGH HALL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION** is holding an Annual General Meeting on Monday 30th January at 8.30pm. New members welcome.