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

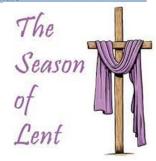
1 Cor 14:1

Second Sunday of Lent

7.30 p.m. Ann Donoghue, Mullingar Rd Jim and Rosaleen Rock Larry Carroll, Garryduff

9.30 a.m. Ben Wyer and Mary Wyer, First Anniversary

11 a.m. Jodi and Bridget Hogan





Third Sunday of Lent

7.30 p.m. Fr. Lauri Halpin 7th Anniversary 9.30 a.m. Crombie Family, Monasette

11 a.m. Do This in Memory of Me Mass for First Communion Children

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Timothy (Tim) McMahon who died during the week. May he rest in peace.

We will have a 7.30 p.m. Mass every Wednesday during Lent



Charity Shop: €714; Plate & Offerings: €1,735; Renovation Fund: €305. Gift for LARCC €2,000. Thanks to all who are so generous.



Parish Charity Shop

We have a wide selection of clothing, household goods and CANCER SUPPORT bric-a-brac. Open Tuesday to Saturday 10 a.m.—5 p.m.



Thanks to all who support the shop.

Dr Gabriel Flynn, D.C.U. (and priest of the Diocese of Meath) will speak

and hold a conversation on the Mass and the Real Presence of Jesus in the **Eucharist** in the **Parish Centre at** 7.30 p.m. on Monday 13th March.



This will be a great opportunity to refresh your understanding of the Eucharist this Lent and enter more deeply into the Mass.

All are invited and welcome to attend.

Special Collection for those affected by earthquake in Turkey and Syria will take place at Mass today. The extra money which is collected will be given to Trocaire to help those in need.



Trocaire Boxes are available at the entrances to the churches. This year's Trócaire Box tells the story of one Somali family who are struggling to survive after they were forced to flee their home.

Say a prayer for the Church Suffering in the World

Bishop Rolando Álvarez of Matagalpa was sentenced to 26 years imprisonment, while 222 others were deported. Between April 2018 and Oct. 2022, the Nicaraguan regime has carried out 396 attacks against the Catholic Church ranging from offensive paintings in churches to physical attacks, exiles, and arrests.

Fighting Temptations The Gospel of this first Sunday of Lent presents to us Jesus in the desert, tempted by the devil (cf. Mt 4:1-11). "Devil" means "divider". The devil always wants to create division, and it



is what he sets out to do by tempting Jesus. . But Jesus defeats the temptations. And how does he defeat them? By avoiding discussion with the devil and answering with the Word of God. This is important: you cannot argue with the devil, you cannot converse with the devil! Jesus confronts him with the Word of God. He quotes three phrases from the Scripture that speak of freedom from goods (cf. Dt 8:3), trust (cf. Dt 6:16), and service to God (cf. Dt 6:13), three phrases that are opposed to temptation. He never enters into dialogue with the

devil, he does not negotiate with him, but he repels his insinuations with the beneficent Words of the Scripture. It is an invitation to us too; one cannot defeat him by negotiating with him, he is stronger than us. We defeat the devil by countering him in faith with the divine Word. In this way, Jesus teaches us to defend unity with God and among ourselves from the attacks of the divider. The divine Word that is Jesus' answer to the temptation of the devil.

And we ask ourselves: what place does the Word of God have in my life? Do I turn to it in my spiritual struggles? If I have a vice or a recurrent temptation, why do I not obtain help by seeking out a verse of the Word of God that responds to that vice? Then, when temptation comes, I recite it, I pray it, trusting in the grace of Christ. Let us try, it will help us in temptation, it will help us a great deal, so that, amid the voices that stir within us, the beneficent one of the Word of God will resound. May Mary, who welcomed the Word of God and with her humility defeated the pride of the divider, accompany us in the spiritual struggle of Lent. **Pope Francis First Sunday of Lent 2023**

Meath Diocesan Pilgrimages to the Holy Land 24 November – 2 December 2023, led by Bishop Deenihan. Visiting Jerusalem and all of the main sites, Bethlehem, Qumran where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found, Emmaus, Tiberias, Nazareth, Cana, the Mount of Beatitudes, Mount Tabor, Capernaum and enjoy a boat trip on the Sea of Galilee itself and a full religious itinerary and to support the Living Stones of the Holy Land. Visit www.travalue.ie or https://bit.ly/3Y6h8WU to find out more!

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Confessions available 10.30 a.m. —11.30 a.m. on Saturdays.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday 10 a.m. — 11 a.m. in Kilbeggan
Friday 7 p.m. — 9 p.m. in Rahugh with Mass at 7.30pm

Scór na nÓg Semi Final in St James' Hall 7.30 p.m. Friday 10th March. Come and support our young people who are in the Semi Final.

