

# 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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### Second Sunday of Advent

7.30 p.m. Paddy and Mary Daniels

9.30 a.m. Tom and Bridget Coyne and deceased members of the Coyne and Carey Families

11 a.m. Oliver Henson, Months Mind

Joseph McCormack, late Cumminstown, and Marian House.

### Third Sunday of Advent

7.30 p.m. Peter and Annie Jo McLoughlin; Michael and Rose Cummins  
Sheila and Kathleen Spillane

9.30 a.m.

11 a.m. Nan Moore, First Anniversary

Eamonn and Colm Heffernan 30th Anniversary

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Peter Morgan, Ardnagluie; and Vincent Nannery, Ferbane, who died during the week. May they rest in peace.



*Christ is Risen!*  
*Alleluia*



Maintenance Fund: €175; Plate: €1,230; List of the Dead: €75; Offerings: €60; Shrine: €937. Thanks to all who are so generous.

**Penitential Service** with visiting Priests on **Sunday 17th December** in **St. James' Church** at **7 p.m.** All are welcome to come in preparation for Christmas. There are **Confessions** each **Saturday Morning 10.30—11.30 a.m.**



### Parish Charity Shop

We have a wide selection of new autumn and winter clothing, household goods and bric-a-brac. Much of the clothing is brand new and never worn. There is also a wide selection of shoes, and Christmas gifts.

Open Tuesday to Saturday 10 a.m. — 5p.m. Thanks to all who support the shop.



### Christmas Mass Times

**Christmas Eve:** Children's' Mass with Family Choir at 6 p.m.  
and Mass with Adult Choir at 7.30 p.m.

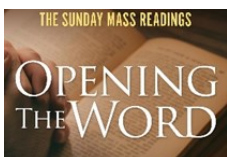
**Christmas Day:** 9.30 a.m. Rahugh and 11 a.m. Kilbeggan



**The Irish Catholic**

On sale in Church €3

**Carol Service with Children and staff of Scoil an Chlochair, Kilbeggan** on Wednesday 20th December at 7 p.m. All are welcome.



**'Opening the Word' Bible Study** continues on

**Wednesday at 7.30 p.m. in the Parish Centre. Everyone is welcome.**

**The Tidy Towns Committee have invited Santa Claus** to come to the Parish Centre after 7.30 Mass on Saturday 9th of December. Gifts for everyone. All are welcome.



**Kilbeggan Scór Table Quiz Fundraiser** taking place in McNamaras on **Friday 15th December at 7pm. €40 per table.** Spot prize for the best Christmas outfit. Any queries, please contact Fiona 0879458045



**Carboot Sale Kilbeggan Parish Centre 11 a.m. — 2 p.m.**  
**Sunday 10th December. €15 per car. Contact Gertrude 086 0607847**



**Mercy Secondary School Kilbeggan** Invite All Members of Our Local & School Community Past & Present to view our **New School** on **Saturday 16th December 2023** at anytime from **10:00am to 5:00pm**

**Watch out for our brothers and sisters as we watch for the coming of Our Saviour**

It is with this expectation filled with affection that we also want to prepare ourselves to welcome Jesus: at Christmas, which we will celebrate in a few weeks; at the end of time, when He will return in glory; every day, as He comes to meet us in the Eucharist, in His Word, in our brothers and sisters, especially those most in need.



So, in a special way during these weeks, let us prepare the house of the heart with care, so that it is orderly and hospitable. In fact, keeping watch means keeping the heart ready. It is the attitude of the sentinel, who in the night is not tempted by weariness, does not fall asleep, but remains awake awaiting the coming light. The Lord is our light and it is good to dispose the heart to welcome him with prayer and to host him with charity, the two preparations that, so to speak, make him comfortable. In this regard, the story goes that Saint Martin of Tours, a man of prayer, after giving half of his cloak to a poor man, dreamed of Jesus clad in that very part of the cloak he had given. Here is a good program for Advent: to encounter Jesus coming in every brother and sister who needs us and to share with them what we can: listening, time, concrete assistance. **Pope Francis, Sunday Audience 3/12/23**

### **Advent Prayer by Henri Nouwen**

Lord Jesus, Master of both the light and the darkness, send your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for Christmas.

We who have so much to do seek quiet spaces to hear your voice each day. We who are anxious over many things look forward to your coming among us.

We who are blessed in so many ways long for the complete joy of your kingdom.

We whose hearts are heavy seek the joy of your presence.

We are your people, walking in darkness, yet seeking the light.

To you we say, "Come Lord Jesus! "



**There is Coffee and scones and a chat in the Parish Centre** after **9.30 a.m. Mass on Tuesday — all are welcome.**