

God's People Our Parish

St. James and St Hugh, Kilbeggan and Rahugh

KILBEGGAN: Saturday Vigil 7.30 p.m. & Sunday 11 a.m.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9.30a.m. Wednesday 7.30p.m. & Saturday 10a.m

Confessions ~ Saturday 10.30a.m. ~ 11.30a.m.

RAHUGH: Sunday 9.30 a.m. & Friday 7.30p.m.

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The Baptism of the Lord

7.30 p.m.

9.30 a.m. Michael Crombie

11 a.m. Michael Feeney, 2nd Anniversary

Bernie and Dill Ward, Shureen and Martin Ward, Ballydaly



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7.30 p.m. Tom Carberry, Month's Mind

9.30 a.m.

11 a.m. Christy Jones, Month's Mind

Rest In Peace

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Maura Holmes, Main St.; and Charles Byrne, Leixlip, father of Pamela Golding, who died during the week. May they Rest In Peace.

The Irish Catholic

Catholic Newspaper is on sale at the entrance for €3 per copy.

Plate: €1,030; Maintenance Fund: €990; List of the Dead: €170; Offerings: € 2,210.
Thanks to all who are so generous.

Thank You



The Logo for the Jubilee Year 2025

The logo shows four figures stylised to indicate humanity coming from the four corners of the earth. They are embracing each other to indicate the solidarity and brotherhood which joins the peoples. The figure at the head is holding onto the cross. It is not only the sign of the faith which embraces, but also of the hope which can never be abandoned because we are always in need of hope, especially in moments of great need. It is helpful to observe the rough waves underneath; this indicates that life's pilgrimage does not

always move in calm waters. Life's circumstances and the events of the world often demand a greater call to hope and because of this we see that the lower part of the cross has been turned into an anchor which stands out in the wave. As is well known, the anchor has often been used as a metaphor of hope and as a matter of fact, the anchor of hope is the name used in maritime jargon as the name given to the reserve anchor used by vessels involved in emergency manoeuvres to stabilise the boat during storms.

Do not ignore the fact that the image demonstrates that the pilgrim's journey is not individual, but communal and marked by a growing vitality leading one always closer to the cross, which is itself by no means static, but also dynamic. It turns towards humanity, not leaving it alone but going out and meeting it to offer it the certainty of its presence and the sureness of hope. Finally, the motto of the 2025 Jubilee Year: Pelegrinantes in Spem (Pilgrims in hope), is very visible in green.



At our Mission in December we gave out Volunteer Forms to help people reflect on how they could play a more active part in the Parish. There is a wide scope of ministries in the parish which you can choose from. There are forms available at the entrance to the Churches which you could take home and think about. Please think about how you could help our Parish. If you wish to discuss anything, contact me at 087 2618353

The Parish Council will meet on Tuesday 14th at 7.30 p.m. in the Parish Centre.



The Cosy Café will meet on Tuesday this week from 11 a.m.—1 p.m. in the Parish Centre. We will have music, tea, coffee and nibbles. We will have Occupational Therapy with Noleen Dillon, and a person from Chime to help with hearing aids. Our aim is to make our parish dementia inclusive. All are welcome.

Charity Shop - Open Monday to Friday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Wide selection of good quality winter clothing and household goods. We give Dóchas €750 each month to help those with cancer. The Charity Shop will also support the Cosy Café.



Thanks for your continued support.



Diocesan Jubilee Pilgrimage 22nd - 27th September 2025

As Pope Francis convokes the Jubilee Holy Year of Hope, consider joining with Bishop Tom Deenihan and fellow pilgrims from across the Diocese in making the Jubilee Pilgrimage to Rome.

Highlights include Papal Audience, The Basilicas of St. Peter (including the prayer ritual of crossing through the Holy Door), St. John Lateran, St. Mary Major, The Sistine Chapel & Vatican Museum, Day trip to

Assisi, The Colosseum & Roman Forum, The Sancta Scala, and Catacombs of San Sebastian.

Pilgrims will be accommodated at the Pontifical Irish College with easy access to the city centre.

Cost €1,399. Bookings and enquiries Mullingar Travel Tel: 044-9340587.

Email: connie.galligan@mullingartravel.ie

See www.iubilaeum2025.va or www.dioceseofmeath.ie for links to information about the Jubilee Year.

Thanks to everyone who took part in our Annual

St Stephen's Day Fun Run/Walk and helped make it such an enjoyable and successful event. Also a big thanks to local businesses for their very generous sponsorship towards the event.

Finally to all those who helped in anyway on the day to stage the event, our army of volunteers, without these people we simply could not stage the event, far too many to mention, but a sincere thanks to

one and all. As with previous years all proceeds raised go to **Children's Health Foundation at Our Lady's Hospital for Sick Children at Crumlin**. Total raised this year was **€9,560**.

Again, many thanks to all involved and Happy New Year to you all. **D Smith**.

