

# 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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"THIS IS MY BELOVED  
SON. LISTEN TO HIM."



### Second Sunday in Lent

7.30 p.m.

9.30 a.m. 11 a.m.

### St Patrick's Day Holy Day of Obligation

9.30 a.m. Rahugh

11 a.m. Matthew and Ann Nannery

Wednesday 7.30 p.m. Maudie Hoare

Friday 7.30 p.m. Johnny and Anna Harte

### Third Sunday of Lent

7.30 p.m. 9.30 a.m.

11 a.m. "Do This in Memory of Me" Family Mass

Maise Hogan (née Quinn)

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

**The Irish Catholic**

**Thank You**

Plate : €1,210; Maintenance Fund: €545; Lenten Offerings: €240. Thanks to all who are so generous.

### Aid to the Church in Need ask for prayers for Syria

"Massacres against many Alawites, often indiscriminately, in response to an ambush by some Alawite militants that killed about 20 members of the new security forces." The same source stated: "The number of

victims is very sad; the majority were civilians, more than 600, who lost their lives, including young people, women, university doctors, and pharmacists. Some families with their children were killed in cold blood." Among the deceased were also members of Christian communities, such as "a father and son from an evangelical church in Latakia, who were stopped in their car and killed, as well as the father of a priest in Baniyas." You can make a donation for their work at <https://www.acnireland.org/>



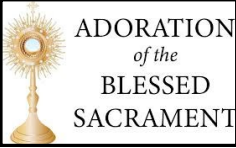
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The **Kilbeggan Players Drama Society** will be performing Noel Coward's hit comedy 'Blithe Spirit' in St. James' Hall on **Friday and Saturday, March 28th & 29th at 7pm**. Come along for what promises to be an unforgettable evening of high-spirited fun. Tickets €15, can be reserved by contacting 089 468 6870. Free raffle on each night.

**For those who wish to go to Confessions, I am available in the Confession Room (beside the organ) before Mass each Saturday from 7 p.m. until Mass time at 7.30 pm**



**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Wednesday evening from 6.30 p.m. until Mass time at 7.30 p.m.** There is also Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Monday mornings from 10 -11 a.m. and in Rahugh on Fridays 7—8.30 p.m. with Mass included at 7.30 p.m.

### **God has a plan and Mission for my life**

God has created me to do Him some definite service, and He has committed some work to me which He has not committed to another. I have my mission—I never may know it in this life, but I shall be told it in the next. Somehow, I am necessary for His purposes, as necessary in my place as an Archangel in his—if, indeed, I fail, He can raise another, as He could make the stones children of Abraham. Yet I have a part in this great work! I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons. He has not created me for naught. I shall do good, by doing His work. I shall be an angel of peace, a preacher of truth in my own place, while not intending it, if I do but keep His commandments and serve Him in my calling. **St John Henry Newman Excerpt from his Prayers**



**Family on Trocaire Box** Many families in Guatemala are already living in extreme poverty and dependent on their crops not only for their livelihood but for their survival. Changes to the climate can be catastrophic if their crops can't withstand the extremes. It's a struggle that Ilma knows all too well. His loss of income could also have a devastating impact on Ilma and Julio's children. As parents, they worry that the current situation threatens their children's chance of an education and their future. Ilma knows that if they don't have the money to pay school fees, their children will be held back at a critical moment in life. "I worry because my children are studying here in the community, but we are not going to have the money for them to go to secondary school." For 10-year-old Julio, school is more manageable: he attends the small primary school in their community. It's in a single room for all ages with one teacher. Ilma is most worried about her daughter Miriam. She's 12 and should be attending secondary school in a nearby town, but the family can't afford the €5 a week for her education.



### **Trócaire Boxes are available at the Church entrances—Please take one home**

**A Weekday Mass as a Family Affair** So try to step out of your routine and go to at least one Mass other than Sunday. I encourage families to do this together. Is your Monday through Friday routine too busy to do this? Try a Saturday morning 10 a.m. Mass or Wednesday 7.30 p.m. Mass



Weekday Mass has a quietness which I appreciate. Sometimes I find that the smaller congregation makes it easier to focus on the prayers and the meaning of the liturgy. But don't worry about taking your children. My experience at weekday Mass is that the "regulars" love having families there, even if they are a little noisy. What a blessing to have our younger Catholics join us around the altar of the Lord! And what a beautiful thing to teach our youth about Mass!

**The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Assembly is on Tuesday  
18th March @ 7.30 p.m. in the Parish Centre.**