

## God's People Our Parish



**KILBEGGAN:** Saturday Vigil 7.30p.m. & Sunday 11a.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 9.30a.m. & Friday 7.30p.m.

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## Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

**7.30 p.m.** Patrick and Julia Maher.

Margaret Ryan, First Anniversary and her husband Paddy Ryan

**9.30 a.m.** Phil and Michael Condron

**11 a.m.** Malachy, Kathleen and Tom Lynam, Coola

**Wednesday 7.30 p.m.** Pioneer Mass in honour of Matt Talbot

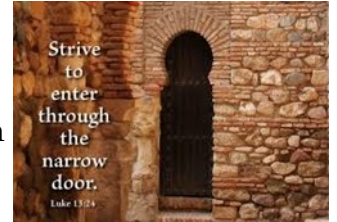
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**7.30 p.m.** James and Eileen Carroll and deceased family

Mick Guilfoyle, 7th Anniversary

**9.30 a.m.** Deceased members of the Coyne family, Attyconnor

**11 a.m.** Philomena, Christopher and Larry Conlon



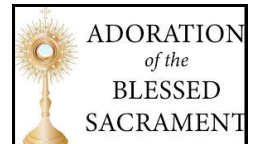
**Plate Collection: €1,395; Maintenance Fund: €415; Patron Offerings: €50.**  
Thanks to all who are so generous.

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

**The Irish Catholic**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Seamus Maloney, brother of Dodo Morgan, who died in England recently. May he rest in peace.

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.



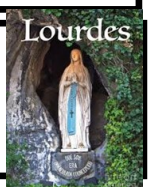
Confessions available each Saturday from 10.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m. If you would like Confessions at a different time please contact me on 087 2618353

Meeting of the **Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)** on **Tuesday 26th August** at **7.30 p.m. in the Parish Centre.**



**Parish Charity Shop:** We have a wide selection of high quality clothing, household goods and Bric-a-brac. **Open Monday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.** If you have items you would like to bring to the shop, please do so during opening hours.  
**Thanks to the ladies in the shop and all who support the shop.**

The **Meath Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes** starts on September 9th. If you would like a Petition (Prayer Request) brought to the Grotto, please place them in the collection tables in the Church. Do not put money in the envelope.





## Pope's intention for August: For mutual coexistence

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.

....breaking bread together, the gesture with which Jesus Christ is recognized among his people; it is the Holy Mass, but it is also being all together around the table, sharing the gifts the Lord has given us.....the most beautiful creature is the one created in the image and semblance of God, which is all of us. And each one of us represents, in this regard, that image of God, and how important it is always to remember that we find precisely this presence of God in every person. And, therefore, being gathered here this afternoon, in this lunch, is also living together with God, in this communion, in this fraternity.”

GREETINGS OF HIS HOLINESS POPE LEO XIV Borgo Laudato si' (Castel Gandolfo), 17 August

2025 before LUNCH WITH THE POOR ASSISTED BY THE DIOCESE OF ALBANO AND WITH THE DIOCESAN CARITAS WORKERS



To love until the end: here is the key to understanding Christ's heart. A love that does not cease in the face of rejection, disappointment, even ingratitude. .... It is he who recognizes the moment in which his love must pass through the most painful wound, that of betrayal. And instead of withdrawing, accusing, defending himself... he continues to love: he washes the feet, dips the bread and offers it. *“It is the one to whom I hand the morsel after I have dipped it” (Jn 13:26)* ..... He has understood that the freedom of the other, even when it is lost in evil, can still be reached by the light of a meek gesture, because he knows that true forgiveness does not await repentance, but offers itself first, as a free gift, even before it is accepted. Judas, unfortunately, does not understand. After the morsel – says the Gospel – “Satan entered him” (v. 27)..... that morsel is our salvation: because it tells us that God does everything – absolutely everything – to reach us, even in the hour when we reject him. It is here that forgiveness reveals all its power and manifests the true face of hope. It is not forgetfulness; it is not weakness. It is the ability to set the other free, while loving him to the end. Jesus' love does not deny the truth of pain, but it does not allow evil to have the last word. This is the mystery Jesus accomplishes for us, in which we too, at times, are called to participate. How many relationships are broken, how many stories become complicated, how many unspoken words remain suspended. And yet the Gospel shows us that there is always a way to continue to love, even when everything seems irredeemably compromised. To forgive does not mean to deny evil, but to prevent it from generating further evil. It is not to say that nothing has happened, but to do everything possible to ensure that resentment does not determine the future..... Jesus says, “Now is the Son of Man glorified” (v. 31). The night is still there, but a light has already begun to shine. And it shines because Christ remains faithful to the end, and so his love is stronger than hatred.....we too experience painful and difficult nights. Nights of the soul, nights of disappointment, nights in which someone has hurt or betrayed us. In those moments, the temptation is to close ourselves up, to protect ourselves, to return the blow. But the Lord shows us the hope that another way exists, always exists. He teaches us that one can offer a morsel even to someone who turns their back on us.....Let us ask today for the grace to be able to forgive, even when we do not feel understood, even when we feel abandoned....

As Jesus teaches us, to love means to leave the other free — even to betray — without ever ceasing to believe that even that freedom, wounded and lost, can be snatched from the deception of darkness and returned to the light of goodness. When the light of forgiveness succeeds in filtering through the deepest crevices of the heart, we understand that it is never futile. Even if the other does not accept it, even if it seems to be in vain, forgiveness frees those who give it: It dispels resentment, it restores peace, it returns us to ourselves.

Jesus, with the simple gesture of offering bread, shows that every betrayal can become an opportunity for salvation, if it is chosen as a space for a greater love. It does not give in to evil, but conquers it with good, preventing it from extinguishing what is truest in us: the capacity to love. **Pope LEO XIV GENERAL AUDIENCE Wednesday, 20 August 2025**

### All Saints' Church, Mullingar, hosting Gospel Concert in support of Church Repairs and Organ Repair

All Saints' Church, Mullingar, will host **“Songs for Life & Hope”** with **James Kilbane on Sunday, 14th September 2025 at 6.00pm** (doors open 5.30pm). This special evening of country with gospel music, with many favourites is in aid of church and organ repairs. Donation tickets are **€20** and are available from church organisers, local outlets, Eventbrite, or by calling **087 9733233**. Everyone is warmly welcome to join this uplifting evening of music and community.