

## 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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**The Rich  
Man and  
Lazarus**

Luke 16:19-31

### Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7.30 p.m. Dan and Teresa Rooney and deceased family

9.30 a.m. Martin Wyer

11a.m. Bridget O'Shea

### Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

7.30 p.m. Michael Clavey

9.30 a.m. 11 a.m. Liam Higgins, Moycashel

Next Saturday and Sunday (4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Oct) we have Harvest Masses of Thanksgiving, for all the blessings we receive from creation. We thank God for safety on our farms, and for all the blessings of food which the land gives to us. We place before the altar the fruits of our labour and signs of our gratitude to God who is constantly blessing us.



Please pray for the repose of the souls of Carmel Fay, cousin of Sr Pius; Tom Hughes, Ballinasloe, brother-in-law of Maura Egan; and Susan Alex, mother of Elza Alex who helps out in the Cosy Café, who died during the week. May they Rest in Peace.

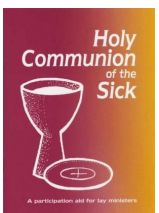
Plate Collection: €1,140; Maintenance Fund: €210; Patron Offerings: €170.  
Thanks to all who are so generous.

**Thank You**

**The Irish Catholic**

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

I will bring Holy Communion to the sick and housebound this week. If a member of your family would like to receive Holy Communion, please let me know. 087 618353



A missionary group from Bethlehem, The Holy Land, will be visiting our Parish this weekend to talk briefly about the Holy Land, and to sell religious articles (Crucifixes, Rosary Beads, Plaques and Nativity Cribs) made out of olive wood in Bethlehem, to help and support the poor Christian families. Any help you can give them will be greatly appreciated.

We will have tea/coffee and scones in the Parish Centre after 9.30 a.m. Mass on Tuesday. All are welcome.



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

**A big THANK YOU to all who supported the North Westmeath Hospice Coffee Morning on Thursday 25 September in Kilbeggan Parish Centre. We raised €950.**





## Why Sunday Matters – An invitation to reflect on Sunday Mass Irish Bishops Conference

Sunday has always been the day of the Lord: the day of resurrection, the day of rest, the day of Eucharist. From the very beginning of our Christian faith, Sunday has been central to the life of the Church and remains the heart of Christian practice. It is on this day that we gather as a community, united in our love for Christ, to encounter the risen Lord and be nourished

in body and soul.

The Mass is not just a ritual, it is the source and summit of our faith. It is where we encounter Christ in His living presence, and it is through the Eucharist that we are strengthened to live as true disciples. Attending Mass on Sundays, or its vigil on Saturday evening, is not just an obligation; it is a profound privilege and a chance to experience God's love in a deeply personal way. As we come to this sacred celebration let us do so with hearts full of gratitude for the precious gift of Christ's presence among us.

Sunday Mass is a vital encounter with the risen Lord, the One who gives our lives ultimate meaning and purpose. Through our baptism we bear the name 'Christian'. This identity shapes who we are and calls us to follow Jesus, who is 'the way, the truth, and the life' (John 14:6). Through the celebration of Sunday Mass, we experience a life-giving encounter and communion with Christ.

Just as the two disciples encountered Jesus on the road to Emmaus and recognised Him in the breaking of the bread (Luke 24:35), so too we meet Him in the Eucharist.

Our identity as Christians is not solitary but shared. On Sundays, we gather not only as individuals but as the Church; the Body of Christ. In the celebration of the Eucharist, we affirm our communion with one another and with Christ. Pope Saint John Paul II emphasised that 'none is as vital or as community-forming as the Sunday celebration of the Lord's day and His Eucharist.' This gathering creates a bond of unity, solidarity, and love, as we come together to worship as one body, with one voice, in praise of God.



As the late Pope Francis reminded us, 'We do not go to Mass in order to give something to God, but to receive what we truly need from Him. In this spirit, we are called to approach the Eucharist not out of obligation, but with a deep desire for spiritual transformation.' This is why attending Mass on Sundays is so vital – it nurtures and nourishes our faith and prepares us for the mission to which we are called. We invite you to reflect on how your participation in Sunday Mass helps you to live as a missionary disciple, bringing the hope and joy of the Gospel to those around you, and to the world at large. *For more information, see [www.kilbegganparish.ie](http://www.kilbegganparish.ie)*

### **Retreat for Young Adults (18-40yrs) Dalgan Park, Navan on Saturday 4th October (10am - 5.30pm)**

Prayer, Holy Mass, friendship in the faith. Eucharistic Adoration, inspiring talks, confession / personal chat if desired, lovely walks. Cost: €20 suggested (lunch and tea breaks provided). Contact: Sr Úna : 090 6481666, Michael: 086 2453123 or mail: [youthretreats@gmail.com](mailto:youthretreats@gmail.com)

**MARY'S MEALS – Church Gate Collection Sat/Sun Sept 27 & 28.** MARY'S MEALS feed hungry children at school in 16 of some of the world's poorest countries. It only costs €22 to feed each child for a school year or 11cent per meal. MARY'S MEALS also guarantee that at least "93 cent of every €1" donated, goes directly towards the work of feeding the children. We also collect any coins you may have, even old coins, or sterling. Any donation however small would be really appreciated. Reg. Charity No. 20061920 CHY 16897 Contact Paul Galvin 087 8375 407

**Sponsored Walk & Cake Sale in Rahugh on Sunday 28th Sept @10.30 am.** Scenic Walk in Autumn around the beautiful Wood road at the foot of the Eiscir Riada. Bring your dog on a lead, doggy treats provided. **All proceeds in aid of Rahugh School Refurbishment, and Swimming Lessons for all pupils. Please support.**