

## 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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## Fourth Sunday of Easter

### Good Shepherd Sunday / Vocations Sunday

Collection this weekend is for the support of vocations to the priesthood in our diocese.

7.30 p.m.

9.30 a.m. Dan, Pat and Des Lee

11 a.m. Vincent, Kathleen and Noreen Lennon, and Mary Burke and all deceased family Frank and Nancy Ryan, and their sons Joe, Damien and Frank

Monday 9.30 a.m. Jim Browne

Tuesday 9.30 a.m. Julia Browne

Wednesday 6.30 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until start of Mass at 7.30p.m.

First Friday 9.30 a.m. Kilbeggan and 7.30 p.m. Rahugh Parish List of the Dead

## Fifth Sunday of Easter

7.30 p.m. Anthony and Mary Daly and daughter Una

9.30 a.m. Cathal Dunne, Months Memory 11 a.m.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Maura Egan (née Smith), Tullamore Road, who died this week. May she rest in peace.

Plate Collection: €1,580; Maintenance Fund: €205; Trocaire: €1,285; Offerings: €335.

Thank You

The Irish Catholic

Thanks to all who are so generous.

Catholic Newspaper on sale at the entrance for €3.50 per copy.



Our Parish Pastoral Area of Kilbeggan, Tullamore, Rahan, Kilcormac, and Eglish are holding an Evening of Prayer, Reflection, Sharing and Discussion on the Mass, for all Ministers of the Word and Ministers of Holy Communion throughout the five parishes. It will be hosted by Kilbeggan Parish Pastoral Council in the Church



of St James, Kilbeggan (N91 CC79) and Kilbeggan Parish Centre on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May, 7.30pm – 9pm.

Spiritual Directors for the evening are Fr Brendan Corrigan and Fr Joe Campbell. It will be a lovely opportunity for our Ministers from all five parishes to meet and grow together in faith.

**Trocaire**  
TOGETHER FOR A JUST WORLD

If you have not brought your Trocaire donation, please do so next week and we will send it on. Thanks to all who are so generous.

If you feel called to be a priest, open your heart to Jesus, follow the Lord and do not be afraid. Jesus is still calling priests, he needs you to say yes to his call. Be a priest and find joy, bring people to God and let Jesus work through you. Priesthood is not an office of the past. Jesus needs priests today more than ever.



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**Pope Leo in Angola Mass Homily** (20 April 2026): The Easter witness, therefore, certainly pertains to Christ, the crucified one who is risen, but it also pertains even to us because in him the proclamation of our resurrection finds its voice. We did not come into the world to die. We were not born to become slaves either to the corruption of the flesh or that of the soul: every form of oppression, violence, exploitation and dishonesty negates the resurrection of Christ, the supreme gift of our freedom. This liberation from death, in fact, does not happen only at the end of our days, but every day of our lives. What must we do to welcome such a gift?

The Gospel itself teaches us: "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent" (Jn 6:29). Yes, let us believe! Today, let us say it together with strength and with gratitude to you, Lord Jesus.

We want to follow you and serve you in our neighbour: your word is our rule of life, the measure of truth.

"The Church proclaims the Good News of Christ not only by the proclamation of the Word which she has received from the Lord, but also by the witness of life, thanks to which Christ's disciples bear witness to the faith, hope and love which dwell in them" (ibid., 55, 55). Sharing the Eucharist, the bread of eternal life, we are called to serve our people with a dedication that lifts up all who have fallen, rebuilds whenever violence destroys and shares with joy our fraternal bonds. Through us, the initiatives of divine grace bear good fruit especially in adversity, as the example of the first martyr Stephen shows us (cf. Acts 6: 8-15).



**Canticle of Brother Sun and Sister Moon - St. Francis of Assisi** (excerpt)

Most High, all-powerful, all-good Lord, all praise is Yours, all glory, all honour and all blessings.

To you alone, Most High, do they belong, and no mortal lips are worthy to pronounce Your Name.

Praised be You my Lord with all Your creatures, especially Sir Brother Sun, who is the day through whom You give us light. And he is beautiful and radiant with great splendour, Of You Most High, he bears the likeness.

Praised be You, my Lord, through Sister Moon and the stars, in the heavens you have made them bright, precious and fair.

Praised be You, my Lord, through Brothers Wind and Air, and fair and stormy, all weather's moods, by which You cherish all that You have made.

Praised be You my Lord through Sister Water, so useful, humble, precious and pure.

Praised be You my Lord through Brother Fire, through whom You light the night and he is beautiful and playful and robust and strong.

Praised be You my Lord through our Sister, Mother Earth who sustains and governs us, producing varied fruits with coloured flowers and herbs.

Praise be You my Lord through those who grant pardon for love of You and bear sickness and trial.

Blessed are those who endure in peace, by You Most High, they will be crowned.



**Parish Charity Shop:** We have a wide selection of high quality clothing, household goods and Bric-a-brac. There are also First Holy Communion dresses and shoes for sale.

**Open Monday to Friday 10am to 5pm. Thanks to all who support the shop.**

**The FREE annual Disability and Older people's services and information event is taking place on Monday 18th May from 10.00 to 1.30pm in the Bloomfield House Hotel Mullingar Co Westmeath.** Irish heart foundation will have their mobile unit there for free health checks. All welcome. For further information please contact Linda-Jo Quinn at Westmeath Community Development (WCD) 087 250 0161. To book your place ring WCD reception on 044 93 48571.

**OVER 55s SOCIAL GROUP** will meet on **Wednesday 29th April** from **11am until 1pm** in **SWEETS, Kilbeggan**. Join us with Anne Marie from Kilbeggan Library and Damien from The Club. **All are welcome.**

