#### RATHOWEN

# St Mary's Church, Rathowen EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY

Sun Aug 4<sup>th</sup>, 11am Morning Mass nigelcharles2003@yahoo.co.uk

RATHOWEN/STREETE WEEKDAY MASSES	
Rathowen 9.30am	
Гues, Aug 6 <sup>th</sup>	
Boherquill 9.30am	
Wed, Aug 7 <sup>th</sup>	
Rathowen 9.30am, Adoration 10 to 10.30ar	
Γhurs, Aug 8 <sup>th</sup>	
Rathowen 9.30am, Adoration 10 to 10.30ar	
Fri, Aug 9 <sup>th</sup>	
Rathowen 9.30am	
Boherquill 8pm, Adoration 7 – 8pm	

Extra-Ordinary Minister for Aug - Teresa Daly

Reader for Aug -

Margaret Beirne

Mass in August

Boherquill - Saturday 8pm Rathowen - Sunday 11am

MASS INTENTIONS
Sun Aug 4<sup>th</sup> at 11am
Ignatius Fulham

Sun Aug 11th at 11am

Joe Kelly

Offertory Collection for last weekend was €381. Thank you for your support

#### Rathowen Community Development Festival; Celebrating 25years.

Wednesday 7th of August; 5k road race, Walk, Run, families welcome.

Friday 9th Free Childrens Disco in the Community Centre starting at 9pm.

Saturday 10th Pig Roast & Summer BBQ Ferricks Hotel with Live music at 9pm.

Sunday 11th; 1-6 pm Community Field & Sports Day: Planting of commemorative Tree marking 25yrs of the RCD, star attraction School Yard Pet Farm, novelty side shows, races for Kids and Adults. Tractor rides, Football, & Hurling matches and much more. Sunday Night: music in Connaughton's Pub.

#### 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vanity of vanities! (Ecclesiastes 1:2)

Ecclesiastes is one of the most puzzling books in the Bible. From the very beginning, the author, Qoheleth, uncovers something we don't like to think about: the seeming futility of life. Material pleasures don't satisfy. Justice is rare. Death makes our accomplishments seem pointless.

#### www.rathowenparish.ie

### STREETE St Mary's Church, Boherquill EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY

Sat Aug 3<sup>rd</sup>, 8pm Vigil Mass

www.streeteparish.ie

Reader – Michael Fagan – Aug 10<sup>th</sup>
Extra-Ordinary Minister – Lilly Cassidy – Aug 10<sup>th</sup>

Mass in August

Boherquill - Saturday 8pm Rathowen - Sunday 11am

## MASS INTENTIONS Sat Aug 3<sup>rd</sup> at 8pm

Cathy Meehan & DFM

Sat Aug 10th at 8pm

No intention

Offertory Collection for last weekend was €320. Thank you for your support

STREETE/RATHOWEN	
WEEKDAY MASSES	SS=11775
Mon, Aug 5 <sup>th</sup>	
Rathowen 9.30am	200
Tues, Aug 6 <sup>th</sup>	
Boherquill 9.30am	
Wed, Aug 7 <sup>th</sup>	
Rathowen 9.30am, Adoration 10 to 10.30	am
Thurs, Aug 8 <sup>th</sup>	
Rathowen 9.30am, Adoration 10 to 10.30	am
Fri, Aug 9 <sup>th</sup>	
Rathowen 9.30am	
Boherquill 8pm, Adoration 7 – 8pm	B. (1915)

#### 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time (continued)

We feel trapped in an endless cycle, and "nothing is new under the sun" (Ecclesiastes 1:9). But far from sounding like a disgruntled old man, Qoheleth is a brave teller of uncomfortable truths. He is aware that people may not like what he has to say, but he doesn't want anyone to ignore reality. Qoheleth is doing more than painting a gloomy picture. His book describes a world that is closed off to God. He is showing us what life would look like without a Father in heaven who promises to hold us in the palm of his hand. But then he ends his book by telling us that we do have such a Father. "Remember your Creator," he says, "before the evil days come" (Ecclesiastes 12:1). Keep the memory of God alive so that you will be able to weather the bad times-because they will surely come. Never forget who God is and all that he has done. Never forget what he has done for you. (The Word Among Us)

St Patrick's trail in Saul and Down Patrick, honouring the cradle of our Catholicism in Ireland. This outing includes a visit to the grave of St's Patrick, Bridget and Colmcille. Bus leaving St Mel's Cathedral Car Park on Thursday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at 05.45hrs. Ring Kitty 086 040 5621 or Marie 086 1900 640 to book a seat

Fr Nigel Charles 087 7009433/043 6685847