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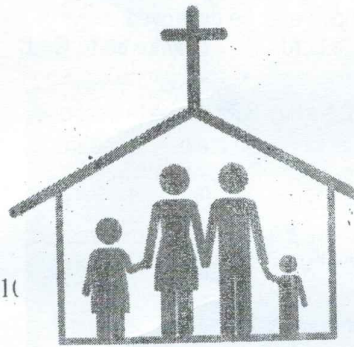
**RATHOWEN
WEEKDAY MASSES**

Tuesday
Boherquill – 9.30 am

Wednesday
Rathowen – 9.30am

Thursday
Rathowen – 9.30am. Adoration 10-11

Friday
Boherquill – 8pm. Adoration 7 – 8pm.



**STREETE
WEEKDAY MASSES**

Tuesday
Boherquill – 9.30 am

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Rathowen – 9.30am

Thursday
Rathowen – 9.30am. Adoration 10-10.30am

Friday
Boherquill – 8pm. Adoration 7 – 8pm.

Mass Intentions.

Sunday 24th Nov 10am: No intention.

Sunday 1st Dec 10am: No intention

Feast of Christ the King.

The solemnity of Christ the king is the feast in the liturgical year which emphasises the true kingship of Christ. The feast is relatively recent having been added to the liturgical calendar in 1925 by Pope Pius xi, celebrated on the last Sunday of the church's year. The earliest it can occur is the 20th of November while the latest is the 26th of November. Pope Pius instituted this feast day in response to the growing secularism and secular ultra-nationalism on the rise throughout the western world in particular, while it was only formally recognised in 1925 the notion of Christ as king goes all the way back to the very early church, Saint Cyril of Alexandria spoke of Christ having dominion over all creatures, not by violence, but by His essences and nature. This feast has an eschatological dimension, pointing to the end of time when the kingdom of Jesus, in all its fullness, will be established to the ends of the earth.

Saintly advice Simplicity

“ Craftiness is the accumulation of artefacts, intrigues, deceits, and appearances to mislead the minds of those with whom we converse. This is quite the reverse of true simplicity, which requires that the outside should always correspond with what is inside. God in His nature is most simple and cannot admit of any duplicity. If we then would be conformed to Him, we should try to become by virtue what He is by nature. We should be simple in our intention affection actions and words” (St Julian of Norwich)

Advent. 2025

Next weekend the churches new year starts, and it begins with the first Sunday of Advent, the lighting of the first Advent candle. Advent meaning waiting will come to an end with the feast of the Nativity, Christmas. Why not consider creating an advent wreath in your own home?

Eucharistic ministers

Among the ministries in the local parish one is more visible than most is that of Eucharistic minister, given the role of assisting in the distribution of the most blessed sacrament at mass, we are in the process of commissioning new ministers for both churches, they will be asked to go on a rota and assist at mass once every six months. If you would like to put your name forward contact Fr Pierre.

Offertory collection

Streete 255 Rathowen 303

Mass Intentions

Saturday 23rd Nov 8pm: Pat & Annie McNally Colamber, Anniv.

Friday 29th Nov 8pm: Nancy Egan.

Saturday 30th Nov 8pm: Reilly family, Balloo

A little theology “Refuges”

Catholic teaching views migration not as some divisive phenomenon, but as an occasion to build the human family. It recognizes a range of human rights for newcomers, based on their God-given dignity that extends far beyond those recognised by individual nations or international bodies. The church holds three key principles when considering this matter and they are as follows. 1. People have a right to migrate to sustain their lives and the lives of their families, every person has an equal right to receive from the earth what is necessary for life- food, clothing, shelter. Moreover every person has a right to education, medical care, and religion. 2. Every country has the right to regulate its borders and the control of immigration, while individuals have the right to move in search of a safe, humane life, no country is bound to accept all those who wish to resettle there. 3. a country must regulate its borders with both mercy and compassion for all who are affected by this reality.

Catholic headlines (worldwide)

1. Socialism is “the enemy of the cross” says, Spanish Bishop.
2. Cardinal Azerine of Nigeria cautions priest against lengthy homilies.
3. Christian groups in UK to call on banks to stop supporting fossil fuel.
4. Update- Trump picks several Catholics for cabinet: Kennedy, Rabio, Duffy and Rathcliffe.
5. Pope urges diocese of Rome to combat housing crisis ahead of Jubilee year.
6. Holocaust survivor rebukes Pope over calling Gaza a genocide
7. Why is Cardinal Zapp back in Moscow.

Catholic humour

