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RATHOWEN/STREETE

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday

Boherquill – 9.30 am

Wednesday

Rathowen – 9.30am

Thursday

Rathowen – 9.30am. Adoration 10-10.30am

Friday

Boherquill – 8pm. Adoration 7 – 8pm.

RATHOWEN/STREETE

WEEKEND MASSES 30th/31st Aug

Saturday 30th Aug: Pat Deveny 2nd Anniv.

Sunday 31st Aug: Jim.Mary,Ann,Peggy,Josie Tighe,
Patrick Fagan.

WEEKEND MASSES 6th/7th Sept

Saturday 6th Sept: James & Ellen Campbell, O Hara
and Campbell families.

Sunday 7th Sept: No intention

SAINTLY WISDOM 'ENVY'

"Whenever you envy your neighbour, you give demons a place to live, When a man envies his brother the good that God says or does through him, it is like committing the sin of blasphemy, because he is really envying God , who is the source of every good. Such is the wretched appetite of this cursed envy:ready to run into the flames, so that he may draw his neighbour with him!" (St Francis of Assisi)

VOCATION NEWS.

We are blessed in the diocese to have 2 men in formation for the priesthood and the permanent Diocanate, the will commence their formation in the coming day. Permanent Deacons are an ancient rite in the church that for the past few centuries were not called into service, however since after the second Vatican council, its place in the church has once again been restored. A permanent deacon is required to study for 3 years, and be married, and once formation is completed they are ordained, they serve the local church as teachers, preachers, they can marry and baptise, preside over funerals. The can not anoint the sick, hear confession of offer mass, so please pray for these two men who please God ordained to serve this diocese.

DIOCESEAN PILGRIMAGE.

The diocesan pilgrimage to the Marian shrine of Knock will take place on the the 7th of September, led by bishop Paul. Ceremonies will begin with anointing of the sick in the Basilica at 2pm, this will be followed by the mass said by bishop Paul. If the weather conditions allow a rosary procession will take place in the shrine grounds. There will be an opportunity if you wish to make your confession in the reparation church, where a number of priests are present most of the day, Check local notes for bus times.

MASS BOOK 2026

Anyone wishing to arrange an anniversary mass for 2026 can now do so, the mass book for 26 has arrived. There can be up to 3 intentions for any weekday or weekend mass, there will be 2 exceptions to this rule, the Months Mind and the first Anniversary masses will be a single intention mass. To book a mass call in after mass of call Fr Pierre on the above number

Offertory Collection.

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Rathowen	255	YOU.

A LITTLE THEOLOGY (SIN)

In catholic theology, sin is defined as an offence against reason, truth and right conscience, stemming from a 'perverse attachment to certain goods' that injures human solidarity. It is a failure to love God and neighbour, a choice of one's own free will overs Gods, leading to a rupture in relationship with God and others. Sins can be willful thoughts,desires,words,actions of omissions that go against God's law. The church distinguishes them as either serious or mortal, (grave offences that destroy the relationship with God) and venial (lesser offences that wound it), The word sin comes to us from the Greek word to miss the mark. (Hamertia),we fall short

NEWS HEADLINES

1-Cameroon archbishop says priests 'ready to die for the Gospel... 2-Archeological find confirms 7th century Christian presence in the UEA. 3-Jesuits call Africa's debt crisis a 'moral failure', 4- A Greek prosecutor charge 2 catholic clerics,and a number of civilians in a 3 million euro embezzlement case. 5- Sweden saves historic Arctic church with massive move away from mines to new home 3 miles away. 6- Patriarchs of Jerusalem:Forced evacuation of Gaza city is a death sentence. 7- New Pro-life penal code comes into effect in the Dominican Republic in 2026. 8-New initiative seeks to help all families to reclaim the Sabbath. 9- "Being a Catholic today is very difficult":The challenges facing young Cubans in today's society.

IRISH TEA PARTY

Following on from the very successful Tea party held last year in the Parish Park, a second gathering has been planned with a new name 'Irish Tea Party'Saturday the 11th of October at 8pm 0r (after mass). Tickets are 10 euro per person, so why not take a table and invite your family and friends for what promises to be another fun night in aid of the Parish Park, booking essential. For more info contact any committee member, or go too SPP on facebook.....

REST IN PEACE.

The prayers of the church are asked for the repose of the soul of Michael Liddy, Lismacraffery, who died recently. Rest in peace

RELIGIOUS HUMOUR.

