

RATHOWEN & STREETE

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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.

WEEKEND MASSES 31st/1st

Sat 31st: No Intention

Sun 1st: James Kelly, Jack & Rose Gilchrist, daughter Rosemary, baby Teresea.

WEEKEND MASSES 7th/8th

Sat 7th : No Intention

Sun 8th: Rosie Maguire, 1st Anniv..



WORLD HEADLINES

A: Pope Leo says the catholic church cannot 'relative' its teaching on marriage. B: Brazilian church campaigns for tousing policies, seeks to expand its presences in favelas. C: The first refugee to lead the UN refugee agency meets the pope. D: Spanish authorities confusion prevented some priests from administering the last rites to the train crash victims. E: French bishops: AI must be a service to human encounter and not replace it. F: Nicaraguan regime bans door-to-door pastoral visits by the church in the diocese of Leon. G: Greenland's only catholic priest: "we're not just minerals or a military position. H: Another millennial saint The story of Joe Wilson, the young Scot who inspired a generation. I: British Priest develops new resources for people with autism.

SAINTLY WISDOM 'THE BEAUTY OF GOD'

'God is not dependent on anything for his beauty, his beauty is not limited to certain times and aspects; but he is beautiful by himself, through himself and in himself. He is eternal beauty-not changing from one moment to the next constantly the same beyond all change or alteration, increase or addition. God being infinite beauty, the soul united to God draws upon itself the admiring and tender gaze of the angels full of desire (Maximus the confessor)

FEAST OF ST BRIDGET.

This Sunday the church celebrates the life and faith of the woman Bridget, a woman whose life is mentioned in ancient documents and whose witness to the faith still call us to love God and serve our neighbour, Bridget. Mary of the Gaels is the secondary saint of this country, only preceded by Patrick. Her feast day heralds the coming of spring and the promise of light and new life. St Bridget pray for the people of Ireland.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Rathowen: 393 Thank
Streete: 340 Tou



HOPE AND PATIENCE

St Paul is a realist. He knows that life has its joys and sorrows that love is tested amid trials, and that hope can alter in the face of suffering... Yet in those very contexts, beyond the darkness we glimpse a light: we come to realise that the call to evangelisation is sustained by the power flowing from Christ's cross and resurrection. In this way we learn to practice a virtue closely linked to hope, namely patience... Saint Paul often speaks of patience in the context of our need for perseverance and confident trust in God's promises. Yet before all else, he testifies to God's own patiences, as 'the God of all patiences and encouragement. Patience one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit sustains our hope and strengthens it as a virtue and a way of life,(Pope Francis 'Spes non confundit')

MEDJUROJE PILGRIMAGE

The annual pilgrimage to Medjugorje will take place this year from the 14th/21st of October, with flights departing from the Knock International Airport, arriving at Mostar; there will be 2 spiritual directors with the group, Fr Jomon and Fr PJ. The fee which includes, flights, accommodation, transfers, taxes and breakfast and dinner is 915 Euro. To book a place or find out more information you can contact Jerry Nally at 087 4309096.

A LITTLE THEOLOGY 'SECOND COMING'

The church believes and professes that Jesus Christ will return in glory at the end of time to judge the living and the dead, bringing about the final resurrection, the culmination of history, and the full establishment of God's kingdom. This event will be sudden and universal and marks the triumph over evil, not a secret 'rapture' as some fringe christians expect. Unlike the first coming in humanity the second coming will be a public visible event where Jesus will return in glory, The dead will rise from the dead, and their bodies will be transformed to be like Christ's, uniting with their soul forever. The church teaches the second coming as a blessed hope and not a cause of fear. We are called to live in a state of readiness and grace. The time is not known men or angels only the Father knows

WAKES IN CHURCHES

Following on from queries raised by many persons concerning the practice of using the local parish church for wakes rather than the funeral home of private residences, bishop Paul has issued clear & binding instruction that the church is not permitted to be used for a wake, the removal the evening before the funeral with the usual sympathising is acceptable and a fitting expression of faith. For a full copy of the bishop's decision, go to the diocesan website.....