

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, RATHOWEN & ST. MARY'S CHURCH, BOHERQUILL

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WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday

Boherquill – 9.30 am

Wednesday

Rathowen – 7.30am and 9.30am

Thursday

Rathowen – 9.30am. Adoration 10-10.30am

Friday

Boherquill – 8pm. Adoration 7 – 8pm.

WEEKEND MASSES 28th/1st

Sat 28th: No intention

Sun 1st March: Kitty Keane

Sat 7th March: Luke Kiernan

Maggie Kerigan 1st Anniv

Sun 8th March: Catherine, Michael, Jim Kelly DFM

Catherine (100th birthday), James,
Michael Glennon.

LENT

Pray + Fast + Give

CAMINO WALK-DROMARD

The annual Dromard Camino walk will take place this year on Saturday 11th April, proceeds from this years walk will go to the Lourdes Assisted pilgrim fund and Dromard GAA club. There is a choice of either 20km or 10km, food, route maps, toilets available to all participants. Registration and full details on route can be adhd at dromardcaminowalk20126.ie, -0862657080.

SAINTLY WISDOM 'HOLY FOLLY'

"We were deceived by the wisdom of a serpent, but we are freed by the foolishness of God. The virtue of innocence is held as foolishness by the wise of this world. Anything that is done out of innocence, they doubtless to be stupidity, and whatever truth approves of in practice is called folly by me of worldly wisdom. Out of gratitude and love for him, we should desire to be reckoned fools and glory in wearing his costume, as a cloth of finest gold.".....St Bonaventure OFM

WORLD HEADLINES

A US immigration laws 'not rooted in hatred or xenophina US ambassador to Vatican says. B: 'Flour war' erupts in Greek seaside town as revelers celebrate star of Lent. C: Indian Supreme Court grant temporary relief to tribal christians in burial dispute. D: Display of St Francis' bones confirms enduring appeal of relics for christians. E: Swiss Guards barracks renovation delayed amid escalating costs. F: Assisted suicide, increases rate of non medical suicides, statistics show, G: Adult baptisms surge again in Belgium. H: Vatican announces Pope Leo's 11-day pastoral visit to 4 African countries. I: Plea for christians pilgrims to return to the Holy Land to support fellow christians in their need.

LENTEN QUOTES FROM POPE

"In the face of so many wounds that hurt us and could lead to a hardness of the heart, we are called to dive into the sea of prayer, which is the sea of the boundless love of God in order to experience His tenderness" "Lent is the perfect time to deny ourselves in order to enrich others lives. Lent is a fitting time for self-denial, we would do well to ask our selves what can we give up in order to feed the hungry, let the prisoners go free, cloth the naked and teach the poor"

OFORTORY COLLECTION 21ST/22ND

Rathowen	366	Thank
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The Shrove Dues will be taken up at masses this weekend, the 6 yearly Dues collection, Shrove, Easter, Pentecost, Harvest, Nov and Christmas go towards the support of the priests of the diocese active and retired. Thanks you to all who continue to support the priests of the parish.

MEDJUGOLJE PILGRIMAGE

The annual pilgrimage to Medjugoije will take place from the 14th to the 21st of October, costing 915 Euros, PP sharing which includes, flights, accommodation, breakfast and dinner, taxes and transfers. Flight takes of from Knock Airport, landing at Mostar. Spiritual directors for pilgrimage Fr PJ Huges and Fr Jorom. For more information or to reserve a place contact Jerry Nally on 087-4309098. (AS nonrefundable deposit is required to secure)

7.30AM MASS.

Mass for the season of lent will be said each Wednesday 7.30am, rotating each week, this Wednesday it will be said in Rathowen the following week it will be in Boherquill. All are invited to be part of this preparation for the great feast of Easter , April 5th...

SYNODAL WAY.

We are all very much aware of the process of listening and being open to the spirit of God , trying to discern the pathway for the church in the decades to come. Over the past few years in every parish and diocese in the country, men and women young and old have been discerning the future, to see what they have being saying and the sense of what we need to do go to the Synods website at www.synod.ie.

A LITTLE THEOLOGY 'FAITH'

Catholic teaching defines faith as a theological virtue and a free, supernatural gift from God that enables humanity to believe in Him and all he has revealed. It requires a personal commitment to God that is total, it is essential for salvation. Acting through love and charity. Faith is a gift infused by God, usually through Baptism, that stirs the heart to respond to his initiative. It is both a virtue (habit) and a set of truths revealed through scripture and tradition. Catholic teaching holds that faith and reason are not in conflict but rather work together to discover truth. Faith is always a personal act and a free response to God's invitation. It involves trusting God as the source of truth.....

