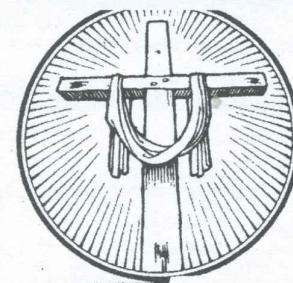


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WEEKDAY MASSES

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 18th/19th

Sat 18th: Joe Tiernan 4th Anniv. Brian, Agnes, Colm, Martha Reilly.

Sun 19th: Fintan O Brien

WEEKEND MASSES 25th/26th

Sat 25th: Willian & Mary Curtin

Sun 26th: Casey and Karney families, Winetown and Clonwhelan.

50 DAYS OF EASTER

Ever wonder why there are 50 days in Easter? Why such a long period? The official name for this period is Eastertide, this whole season is a celebration of the resurrection of Jesus, such an event requires not a single day but rather a prolonged season of rejoicing. Close to the end of the 50 days there are the 2 major moments that set the tone for the rest of the churches life, 40 days after the resurrection Jesus returns to the Father, never to be seen again, and on the 50th day the last day, the Holy Spirit descends upon the Apostles and they begin the mission of preaching the good news to the end of the earth, until the end of time. Alleluia.

WORLD HEADLINES

1) Christians and muslims can live together in peace-Pope Leo says on plane leaving Algeria. 2) Separatists in Cameroon announce a 3-day pause in fighting for Pope's visit. 3) \$1.99 chat with AI Jesus shows the faith based tech boom is here. 4) Germany's far right target church funding, in attempt to silence criticism. 5) After US intervention, Easter celebrations draw larger-than-expected crowds in Venezuela. 6) Thousands march for life in Prague amid police restrictions and pro-abortion protests. 7) 'The best decision I've ever made'-Australia sees surge in adults entering the church. 8) Religious sisters known as Daughters of the Redeemer, pilot in Zambia pilot 'climate-smart' agriculture programme in effort to improve the lives of the poorest rural dwellers.

SAINTLY WISDOM 'MARRIAGE'

"There is a certain love deeply seated in our nature that imperceptibly knited together these bodies of ours, nothing so welds our lives together as the love of husband and wife since the first natural tie of human society is man and wife. Marriage is a good in which the married are better in proportion as they fear God more chastely and more faith filled especially if they also nourish spiritually the children whom they desire carnally. (St Augustine of Hippo)

UPCOMING DATES

Feast of the Ascension : Thursday May 14th. Pentecost Sunday 24th of May. First Holy Communion Sunday 31st May, (Boherquill) Blessing of graces , Saturday June 13th Rathaspic(mass 6pm Russagh 7.15pm. Saturday 27th June Streete village 6pm/Colamber 7pm/New cemetery Boherqui mass 8pm/church cemetery Boherquill after mass

A LITTLE THEOLOGY 'JUST WAR THEORY'

The catholic churches teaches 'just war theory, as a moral frame work to determine when the use of military force may ethically be permissible as a last resort, while the church always calls on parties to pursue peace through dialogue, it acknowledges that governments have a right and a duty to engage in lawful self-defences if certain rigorous conditions are met. The catechism of the catholic church teaches that all of the following condition be met, the harm inflicted by an aggressor must be real and serious enough to justify a military response, every other means of resolving the conflict must have been shown to be ineffective or impractical. There must be a realistic chance of achieving its goals; futile wars that lead to unnecessary suffering are not to be considered just, the use of arms must not create evil or disorders greater than the evil being eliminated. Even if a war is deemed just to start , it must be fought ethically.

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE.

The annual pilgrimage to the marian site of Medjugorje led by Gerry Nally, will take place from the 14th/21st Oct departing from Knock airport, arriving at Mostar. Cost of the pilgrimage is 915 euros, which includes flights, accommodation, breakfast and dinner, taxes and transfers, this price is based on PPsharing. Frs Jorom and Huges will act as spiritual directors. To reserv a place or get more information contact Jerry on 0874309096, a booking deposit is required to secure a place.

YOUTH 2000

Youth 2000 retreat (16-35) takes place in knock next weekend, Saturday April 25th, registration opens at 9.30am. Donation only check out Youth2000.ie for more information.

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Rathowen	216	You

