

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, RATHOWEN

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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 24TH/25TH

Sat 24th: William & Mary Ellen Curtin.

Sun 26th: Casey & Kearney families, Winetown, Clonwhelan.

Nuala Garry, 2nd Anniv

WEEKEND 2ND/3RD

Sat 2nd: No intention

Sun 3rd: No intention.

WORLD REPORT

1: Death of 8000 migrants in 2025 is nothing short of a tragedy, says bishop. 2: Israeli military help replace damaged crucifix in Lebanon, punishes soldiers who destroyed it. 3: Indigenous christian families assaulted amid land grab conflict in northern Bangladesh. 4: March for life in Warsaw commemorates 1060 years of Christianity in Poland. 5: Church and state leaders both react to Trump-Leo tensions. 6: Pope Leo: 'true power comes from virtue not strength'. 7: St Anselm: the holy Benedictine monk who followed the motto 'faith seeking understanding'. 8: Figures just released -report over 33 million pilgrims visited Rome during Jubilee. 9: China pressures underground church to join state church, or face more persecution. 10: Figures just released- A 1/4 of all US radio stations are faith based.

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE

The annual pilgrimage to the Marian site of Medjugorje will take place from the 14th/21st of October, departing from Knock airport and landing in Mostar. Total price for the pilgrimage is 915 Euro, which includes flights, taxes, accommodation, breakfast and dinner as well as transfers to and from airports, this price is based on PPsharing, booking fee is required to secure a place. FR Jomam and Fr PJ Huges will act as spiritual directors during the trip. To reserve a place or to find out more information contact Jerry Nally on 087- 4309096.

VOCATION SUNDAY

Vocation Sunday, of 'good shepherd Sunday' is observed on the fourth Sunday of Easter and is a special time to pray for and promote vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. It reminds us that God continues to call men and women to serve His church, and that each of us is called to live out our vocation with faith and generosity. As a parish we keep in our prayers those who discerning their path, that they may hear and follow the voice of the Good Shepherd with courage and trust.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Rathowen	193.	Thank
Streete	435	You

Thank you to all those who contributed to the priests Easter dues collection, the proceeds of which go to the support of the priests of the diocese, active and retired. If you wish to contribute you can leave your envelope in the collection basket at the weekend masses.

A LITTLE THEOLOGY 'STEALING'

Catholic teaching defines stealing as taking or keeping another person's property against their reasonable will, forbidden by the 7th commandment ("Thou shall not steal") and the 10th ("Thou shalt not covert"). It requires restitution (returning stolen goods) and encompasses fraud, tax evasion, unfair wages and waste. Fraud-deliberate deception to gain property (eg business fraud and counterfeiting) Unfair wages- withholding fair pay for work carried out. Negligences- wasting time at work or damaging or destroying private/public property. Unreturned goods-keeping lost items, or that should be returned if gotten by mistake, stealin goes beyond robbery, it includes al of the above and even more, When it comes to restitution the catechism of the church states that restitution is required for any unjust taking. The church also teaches that in cases of extreme necessity (eg stealing food to feed a starving child) taking another's property is not considered theft, as in cases of need 'all things are common property'

SAINTLY WISDOM 'CHILDREN'

"Both raven and ape think their young the fairest"- St Thomas Moore. "You can do nothing with children unless you win their confidences and love by bringing them into touch with yourself, by breaking through all the hindrances that keep,them at arms length. We must accommodate ourselves to their tastes, we must make ourselves as them"- St Don Bosco."I imagine that the angles themselves,if they came down as school masters, would find it hard to control their anger. Only with the help of the blessed virgin do I keep from murdering some of them" (St Benildus)

TROCAIRE COLLECTION

This year the parishioners of Streete and Rathowen contributed the sun of 1775 Euros as of the 21st of April, a sincere word of gratitude to all who contributed. If you still have a Trocaire box you can still drop it in over the coming day or at weekend mass.



"Do you have any previous experience as a Pope?"