

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

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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.

WEEKENDMASSES 18th/19th

Sat 18th: Tony Boyce DFM. Fr Ned, Michael, John and Bridgid O Hara.

Sun 19th: Pat Murray. M/M

WEEKEND MASSES 25th/26th

Sat 25th: No intention

Sun 26th: Josie and Kit Price.

A LITTLE THEOLOGY 'CONSCIENCES'

In catholic teaching, conscience is understood as a practical judgement of reason that helps a person identify right from wrong. Catholics are obliged to faithfully their consciences, as it is considered the "a aboriginal Vicar of Christ", (conscience is the original way God speaks to the human person). However every individual has a strict duty to properly form their own conscience using Scripture, church and prayer. Vatican 11 famously described consciences as "the most secret core and sanctuary of an individual" where he is alone with God. It is here individuals hear the voice of God calling them to good and avoid evil. Conscience is not infallible and must be educated, a well informed conscience relies on the wisdom of the creator teaching from the magisterium and rational discernment.

MARRIED COUPLED SAINTS.

Marriage is one of the catholic churches greatest path to holiness, from the first christian missionaries to modern day martyrs, married couples have shown that a shared life rooted in faith, sacrifice, and love can become a powerful witness to the Gospel. Throughout the month of July many couples who,are saints are honoured, July 7 Blessed Josep and Wirtoria Ulma are honoured. A devout catholic couple from Poland who defied the Nazi party and defended their Jewish neighbours. Saints Pricilla ad Aquilla converts to christianity in the early church and support to Saint Paul in his missionary work, their feast day is July 8th. In 1998 Pope John Paul 11 canonised Louis and Zelig Martin, the parents of St Therese of Lisieux, a couple who experienced deep joy as well as profound suffering, but in all things remained steadfast in their faith, July 12th is their feastday.

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE.

The annual pilgrimage to Medjugorje will take place from the 14th/21st October, departing from Knock and landing in Mostar. Cost of pilgrimage is 915 Euros which includes flights, accommodation, breakfast and dinner, taxes and all transfers. (Based on Per Person sharing) for more info or to reserve a place on trip contact Jerry on 087-4309096

REST IN PEACE.

The prayers of the church are asked for the repose of the soul of Liam Fagan, England and late of Burgesland, who died recently. Brother of Connie Teigh and Nancy Teigh. May he rest in the peace of Christ in his heavenly-home.

CATHOLIC HEADLINES

1-'Death with dignity' is a siren call: it leads only to disaster
2-Convert pay taxes or die: the reality of what faces christians in Nigeria. 3-French Senate rejects assisted suicide for the third time. 4- Why Kenyan bishop imposed a curfew on diocesan clergy? 5-Spain's world cup run fueled by manager's deep catholic faith. 6- Are priestly ordinations rising or falling? It depends on where you are. 7-Diocese of Oslo to open canonization cause for Nobel laureate Sigrid Undset. 8-Canada's catholics await court decision on religious liberty and bill 21 (religious symbols worn in work) 9-Faith leads effort to end preventable blindness in the Guatemala nation. 10-World experts to discuss peace and AI at Pope Leo's summer residence, 'Castle Gandolfo'. 11-Vietnamese Catholics urged to become messengers of truth at beatification ceremony in the nation's capital, Hanoi.

SAINTLY WISDOM "HUMILITY"

"It is to the humble that Christ belongs, not to those who exalt themselves above his flock. Our lord Jesus Christ, the sceptre of God's majesty did not come in the pomp of pride or arrogances-though he could have done so- but rather in humility"(St Leo)

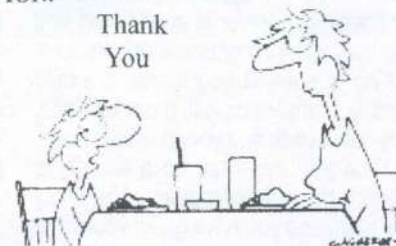
"If you should ask me what are the ways of God, I would tell you first is humility, the second is humility and the third is still humility. Not that there aren't other precepts to give, but if that sweet humility does not proceed all that we do, our efforts are fruitless" (Saint Augustine of Hippo). "Those who stumble on level ground should stay away from cliffs.(St Gregory the great)

REEK SUNDAY

The last Sunday in July is the traditional day when thousands of the faithful climb Ireland's holy mountain, Croagh Patrick, the reasons for climbing are as varied as the people who make it. A bus has been arranged for anyone intending to make the climb on the 26th, the bus will depart Granard at 5am. To reserve a seat contact Kitty on 086-0405621 or peter on 087 6613510 There are a number of other collection points on route, see poster in church.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION:

Streete	315	Thank
Rathowen	247	You



"I told you I wanted me to eat carrots. He wouldn't hide them underground!"