

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, Pat Devaney 3rd Anniv

Boherquill – 8pm. Adoration 7 – 8pm.

WEEKEND MASSES 29th/30th

Sat 29th Aug: No intention

Sun 30th: Mary Murphy, parents Tom & Lil Murray.

WEEKEND 5th/6th Sept

Sat 5th Sept: Seamus Ownes 1st Anniv

Sun 6th Sept: No intention

Mass Intentions

CATHOLIC HEADLINES

1: Canadian army bans service members from invoking God: Here's the catholic church response. 2: A man's brain changes (for the better) when he becomes a father findings revealed by nature review. 3: Do Catholics have a built in advantage in the age of AI? 4: Assisted suicide is a threat to the disabled, says bishop. 5: Vatican foreign minister in Russia for peace talks with Kerlim. 6: Pope Leo tells soldiers: 'it is noble to defend the sovereignty of the homeland'. 7: Harvard university chaplain on the 'record braking; conversions at the ivy league college. 8: German millionaire offers 500 euro (to help with cost) for every child baptises, German dioceses say, thanks but no thanks. 9: In Mexico, mothers searching for missing children garner overdue support from the church. 10: Vocation initiative topping 10,000 followers launches priestly discernment programme.

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE

The annual pilgrimage to the shrine of Medjugorje will take place from the 14th/21st of October, with flights from Knock airport, landing in Mostar. Frs PJ Huges and Joram acting as spiritual directors. Cost of the trip is 915 euros, which includes all flights, accommodation, breakfast and dinner, taxes and transfers. The price is based on Per Person sharing. For more information or to reserve a place contact Gerry Nally @ 087 4309096

SAINTS/FEASTDAYS IN SEPTEMBER

Sept 3rd: St Gregory the great, pope

Sept 5th: St Teresa of Calcutta, (mother Teresa)

Sept 8th: Nativity of the virgin Mary.

Sept 14th: Exhalation of the holy cross

Sept 21st: St Matthew the Apostle

Sept 23rd: St Padre Pio

Sept 27th: St Vincent de Paul

Sept 29th: Archangels, Michael, Gabriel, Raphael.

THE PRICE OF FAITH.

Faith may cost us comfort, but it gives our hearts light. It asks us to stand strong when the world feels wrong or right. Though trials may test our soul, and make the journey hard, the price of faith in Jesus is worth it, for hope is our reward and eternal life in His presence is our one desire. For what we lose for the sake of our faith in Christ, is nothing besides what we gain, not for gains sake but out of love for him who loves us first.

A LITTLE THEOLOGY 'OFFERING UP SUFFERING'

In Catholic teaching offering up suffering is the practice of uniting one's personal pains, trials of daily inconveniences with the cross carried by Jesus, for a spiritual purpose. The core theological meaning, redemptive suffering, as Catholics we believe that Christ's sacrifice on the cross is complete, we are invited to participate in it through our own afflictions. The mystical body of Christ, of which we are part can join as individuals to Christ's headship and offer to God our struggle. Lastly we can offer our suffering as a prayer for the salvation of souls, conversion of sinners. What can we offer?, our major trials chronic illness, loss, depression, our daily inconveniences, minor frustrations. Along with these we can offer our daily duties, work when it is done with a good intention and a willing heart.

KNOCK PILGRIMAGE.

The diocesan pilgrimage to Knock takes place next weekend, 6th Sept, led by bishop Paul Connell. Devotion begin in the Basilica with anointing of the sick, followed by con-celebrate mass at 3pm, led by bishop Paul and the priests of the diocese. If the weather allows, a rosary procession will follow after the mass around the shrine. Confession will be heard all day in the reconciliation chapel.

SAINTLY WISDOM 'THE OUR FATHER'

"We don't say "my father" who art in heaven, nor "give me this day my daily bread", nor does each one ask that only his debt should be forgiven him; nor does he request himself alone that he may not be led into temptation and may be delivered from evil. Our prayer is public and common; and when we pray, we pray not for one, but for the whole people, because we the whole people are one"... (Saint Cyprian of Carthage)

"At each word of the our father I glimpse an abyss of goodness and mercy, a fount of compassion."... (St Anthony Mary Claret)

OFFERTORY COLLECTION 23RD/AUG

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"I really don't need to go to church, Reverend — I feel guilty enough without it."