



CHURCH OF ST. COLMCILLE KELLS
CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION GIRLEY



SUNDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2018

Priest on Duty – Fr. John Phone: 9240213.



SEASON OF LENT

Masses: Mon to Fri 7.45am & 9.30am
Sat 10.00am & 6.30pm



Ash Wednesday: Masses: 7.45am, 9.30am & 6.30pm. Girley 8pm.

Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament continues Mon to Fri 8am-5.30pm.

Fasting is encouraged especially on the Fridays of Lent.

Lent is a time to check in what direction we are going.

Three signposts are given to us to find the right road or to ensure that we stay on the right road.

These are: **PRAYER** **FASTING** **ALMSGIVING**

These signposts are as ancient as Christianity itself.

MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

We will introduce Morning Prayer of the Church 10 minutes before both morning Masses, Mon-Fri, during Lent, starting Monday 19th February. This is the universal prayer of the Church, the Divine Office, which has been said all over the world by Christians down through the centuries. Please come a little earlier to Mass and join us at 7.35am or 9.20am as we praise God in prayers that are older than the Church itself. You will be given a booklet so you can join in the responses. This would be a lovely way to make Lent special!

DAILY ROSARY

The rosary will be recited each morning (Mon - Fri) during Lent at 8.50am in Kells church.



CHOOSE LIFE 2018

The Eighth Amendment: *'The State acknowledges the right to life of the unborn and, with due regard to the equal right to life of the mother, guarantees in its laws to respect, and, as far as practicable, by its laws to defend and vindicate that right'*

Is a view on abortion solely a question of religious belief?:- The right to life is not just a question of religious belief. As the first and fundamental human right, it affects people of all faiths and none. You do not have to be from any particular faith tradition to agree that human life should be protected and that intentionally ending a life of another human is never justified. Supporting and sustaining a culture of life is in the interest of every citizen, Catholics and all people of goodwill because it defines us as a society.

During pregnancy is one life more important than the other?:- By virtue of their common humanity, a mother and her unborn baby have an equal right to life. The Catholic Church has never taught that the life of a child in the womb should be preferred to that of a mother. This aspect of Catholic Church's teaching on the right to life is often presented inaccurately. If a pregnant woman becomes seriously ill and needs treatment which may, as a secondary effect, put the life of her baby at risk, such treatment is always ethically permissible provided every effort has been made to save the life of both mother and baby. Abortion, by contrast, is the direct and intentional ending of an unborn baby's life.

FAMILY PRAYER

Lord Jesus, you are the source and lover of life. Reawaken in us respect for every human life.

Help us to see in each child the marvellous work of our Creator.

Open our hearts to welcome every child as a unique and wonderful gift from God.

Prayer for the Child in the Womb, Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference 2012



Recently Departed

Tony Friary, Loyd; Seamus Mooney, John St; Christy Bell, Liverpool, late of St. Brigid's Tce;
Rosemarie Smith, Castletownmoor, Carlanstown

Mass Intentions for Week - Kells

Sat (Feb 10) 6.30pm - 2nd Ann - Betty Farrell, Gardenrath also Michael Farrell
- 2nd Ann - Joe Lang, Calliaghstown
- 1st Ann - Bernard Bell, Cherryhill Green
Sun (Feb 11) 9.00am - MM - Br. John Devaney, CBS, Kells
11.00am - 1st Ann - Liam Ward, Kilmainham
12.15pm - 1st Ann - Mary Conlon, Navan Rd
Sat (Feb 17) 10.00am - 4th Ann - Johnnie Maguire, Blackwater Hts also Teresa Maguire
- 6th Ann - Baby Jamie Coyle, O'Growney Tce
6.30pm - Anniv - Brigie Cleary née Conaty, Fair Green
- Anniv - Matt & Kathleen Grimes, Drumbaragh
- 4th Ann - Anne McGovern, Cavan Rd
Sun (Feb 18) 11.00am - MM - Declan McCaughley, Balrath Wd
12.15pm - MM - Audrey O'Reilly, Headfort Rd



Mass Intentions for Week - Girley

Sun (Feb 18) 10.00am - 1st Ann - Breda Clarke, Moyaugher

Anniversary Masses

James & Mary Casserly, Springville; Mary Farrelly, Maperath; JP McKenna, Maudlin Rd;
Albert Poynton, Carlanstown; Eileen Flood née Tighe, Carrick St.



Ministers of the Eucharist and Ministers of Blessed Ash for Ash Wednesday

7.45am - Mary Fitzpatrick, Tara Heerey, Phyllis Barrett, Anne Griffin, Marie Gibney, Jimmy O'Brien
9.30am - Jim McKenna, Jane Smith, Marie Collins, Anne Carolan, Josephine Gogarty, Eileen O'Reilly
6.30pm - Gerry McManus, Grace Reilly, Martina Scanlon, Margo Duffy.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018

Do you have a spare room in your home and want to help? Thousands of people will be travelling from very distant places to participate in WMF 2018 (21-26 Aug). Many would be unable to come if they also had to cover the cost of accommodation. If you are willing to host a person, couple or family please contact: hostingteam@worldmeeting2018.ie or call 015676800.

A Retreat for young adults (18-40) will take place in Dalgan Park on Sat Feb 24th from 9.30am - 5pm. If interested, please contact Fr Joe Campbell (0866036506) or Mary Ruane (0872478519).

COLLECTIONS

Offertory/missalettes Kells €1727 Girley €313,
Candlemas Offerings Kells €2510 Girley €210
Fr. John & Fr. Liam thank all who contribute to their upkeep through last Sunday's Candlemas Offerings Day.

CHRIST BE BESIDE ME

Christ be beside me, Christ be before me
Christ be behind me, King of my heart
Christ be within me, Christ be below me
Christ be above me, never to part.
Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand
Christ all around me, Shield in the strife
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting
Christ in my rising, Light of my life.

LOTTOS: Handball €1200; Kilmainham €3300;
Drumbaragh €10000; Gaeil Colmcille €12000

KELLS LIVELY CITIZENS CLUB - Tea Dance Sunday 11th February in Kells Handball Alley from 3-6pm. Contact 0879766898. Transport provided if required.

USED STAMPS FOR MISSIONS - Thank you to all those who have donated stamps already. Please note that, in order for the stamps to have value, they need to have at least .5 inch of paper around them. Stamp Collection Box will be at the back of church.

ZAMBIA IMMERSION PROGRAMME - BINGO in St Vincent de Paul Hall on Sun 18th Feb at 3pm. Jackpot €500.

CARNAROSS DRAMA GROUP - presents 'No hope here' by Belfast playwright Vivian Brennan. Fri - Sun 9th to 11th Feb and 16th to 18th Feb. Nightly at 8pm. Tickets €12.50 - Booking office: 0870554158.

IRISH CANCER SOCIETY - operates a free transport service for patients attending hospital for chemotherapy treatment. Patients wishing to avail of this free service should contact their healthcare professional, visit the Society's website at irishcancer.ie or contact the Irish Cancer Society for more information on 012310522.

27TH DIVINE MERCY CONFERENCE 2018

RDS, Dublin on Sat 17th and Sun 18th February.
Contact Fia 9249391 or Marie Donoghue 9242091

Bus leaves Kells Church carpark at 8.15am on Saturday 17th February 2018

