



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



SUNDAY 16 JULY 2017

Priest on Duty – Fr John - Phone: 0469240213

Times of weekend Masses: Sat Vigil 6.30pm, Sunday 9am, 11am and 12.15pm. Girley 10am



BAPTISM - BELONGING TO GOD'S FAMILY



“Through baptism men and women are incorporated into Christ. They are formed into God’s people and they obtain forgiveness of all their sins. They are raised from their natural condition to the dignity of adopted children. They become a new creation through water and the Holy Spirit. Hence they are called, and are indeed, the children of God. Baptism is the door to life and to the kingdom of God. Christ offered this first sacrament of the new law to all people that we might have eternal life. Further, baptism is the sacrament by which men and women are incorporated into the Church, built into a house where God lives, in the Spirit, into a holy nation and have a royal priesthood.”

General Introduction to Rite of Baptism

It is regrettable that the sacrament of Baptism is being described by some in media and political organisations as a ‘barrier’. This contradicts the very meaning of Baptism. How just or fair is a suggestion that discrimination against Catholic children is a solution to the problem of insufficient supply of places in primary schools in certain parts of the country?

For your information.....

- **A recent survey in one of the Catholic schools in our diocese found that children of thirteen different religions or no religion are currently enrolled in the school.**
- **During Enrolment Week this year one school in our diocese received sixty-eight applications from Catholic families for fifty-four places.**



TRÓCAIRE EMERGENCY COLLECTION

Trócaire is currently responding to prolonged drought which has led to severe food shortages across East Africa. Approximately 25 million people are in need of emergency assistance. Trócaire’s response in South Sudan, Kenya and Ethiopia focuses on food and water, while in Somalia they are also running health clinics treating people for malnutrition, cholera and other health issues. Currently, Trócaire, on behalf of the faithful of Ireland, are reaching out to approximately 150,000 people.

An Emergency Collection in aid of Trócaire’s work in East Africa will take place in our Parish next weekend 22nd-23rd July. Needs are enormous - please support Trócaire’s appeal and help them to reach more people with life-saving aid.



Recently Departed

Denis (Dinny) Donegan, Putney, London, late of St. Brigid's Terrace, Kells

Mass Intentions for Week - Kells

Sat (Jul 15)	10.00am	- Deceased residents of Fr MacCullen Park
	6.30pm	- 5th Ann - Annie Gogarty, 30th Ann - Patrick Gogarty, Drumbaragh
Sun (Jul 16)	11.00am	- 1st Ann - Eileen Corrigan, Mountainpole
Thurs (Jul 20)	9.30am	- 3rd Ann - Anne Boland nee McPartland, St. Colmcille's Villas
Sat (Jul 22)		- FEAST OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE
	10.00am	- 3rd Ann - Joe O'Rorke, Castle St
	6.30pm	- 2nd Ann - John Mulvany, 23rd Ann - Kathleen Mulvany, Cavan Rd
		- 10th Ann - George Wheeler, Maple Drive
		- 5th Ann - Matthew Rourke, Canon St also Patrick & Essie Rourke
Sun (Jul 23)	11.00am	- MM - Tom Sheils, Gardenrath Close
	12.15pm	- 1st Ann - Paddy Rooney, London



Mass Intentions for Week - Girley

Sun (July 16)	10.00am	- Anniv - Bridget Farrelly, Newtowngirley
Sun (July 23)	10.00am	- Anniv - Jimmy & Willie Devine, Chamberlainstown

Anniversary Masses

Colm Boylan, Bohermeen; The Smith Family, Castlemartin; Billy Dunne, Dublin;
Joseph & Bridget Sutton, St. Colmcille's Villas; Pa Black, Loyd.

KILMAINHAM GAELIC FOOTBALL CLUB - Bake Sale and Tea Party in Clubhouse today, Sunday 16th July 2017. 12 - 2pm. All welcome.



KELLS LIVELY CITIZENS CLUB - Day Trip to Belvedere House, Shopping in Mullingar & Dinner in Bloomfield House Hotel on Wednesday 19th July 2017 (leaving Garda Station at 9.30am). Closing date for tickets: 17/7/17 €35 per person. Booking/Deposit €20 to secure seat - contact: Brian Curran 0868144495.



KELLS LOCAL HEROES - Summer Table Quiz with raffle in the Westway lounge on Friday 21st July at 8.30pm. A table of 4 is €40. All proceeds go to KLH.



BARBECUE IN AID OF MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS - in The Westway, Bective Street, on Saturday 21st July at 8pm. Music by Double Up. All welcome.



KELLS & DISTRICT TOURISM NETWORK - are looking for volunteers who would be interested in promoting tourism in Kells. If interested please contact Ina Olohan at ina.olohan@gmail.com



MEATH HERITAGE CYCLE TOUR (formerly An Post) - is now in its 9th year and will take place over the weekend of July 29th and 30th. Calling all volunteers in the Girley/Fordstown area! Are you free on Sunday 30th July from 12 - 2pm? Volunteers will man junctions and give much needed encouragement to cyclists along the route. To volunteer for the event please call Lucy in Meath Local Sports Partnership on 0469067337.



Handball €600;
Kilmainham €10700;
Drumbaragh €7200;
Gaeil Colmcille €7500

COLLECTIONS

Offertory/Missalettes Kells €1622 Girley €212
Weekly envelopes Kells €1326 Girley €104
ANNUAL DUES: We thank the residents and collectors for their time & generosity:- Cavan Road - (Kathleen Conaty & Mary Bowler); Gardenrath Rural (Una & Lisa Newman); Kenlis Crescent (Alec Luddy)