



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



**SUNDAY 21 MAY 2017**

**Priest on Duty – Fr John - Phone: 9240213**

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

**Masses for week - Mon - Fri 9.30am; Sat 10am**

**Confessions: Saturday 10.30–11am, 2-2.30pm, 6–6.30pm**

**Baptisms Second and Fourth Sunday 3pm.**

**Adoration of Blessed Sacrament Mon to Fri 10am-5.30pm**

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**Parish Office opening hours:- Tues - Fri 9am - 1pm; 2pm - 5pm**

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

**This Sunday we welcome the girls from Our Lady's Primary School who will receive their First Holy Communion at the 12.15pm Mass.**

**The first ten seats on the four aisles will be reserved for them and their families.**



**BIBLE HITS NEW HIGH!**

- **Yi, Lipo and Wa - spoken by more than a million people in China - are just three of the 61 languages that gained their first partial Bible translations during 2016, along with Tatar and Udmurt for use in Russia, and Cree and Inupiaq for Canada, according to the latest *Global Scripture Access Report* from the Swindon-based United Bible Societies (UBS).**
- **Last year's 61 new translations brought all or parts of the Bible to an estimated 428 million people for the first time, including tribes in Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Uganda and Zambia, as well as six separate ethnic groups in India and seven in Myanmar.**
- **The UBS report said that complete Bibles are now available in 648 languages. However with an estimated 6,880 'living languages' worldwide, much work remains before 'everyone can access the full Bible in the language of their choice'.**
- **Although 285 million people globally are visually impaired, including 40 million who are blind, only 44 languages have a full Bible in Braille to date, usually running to 40 bulky volumes.**



**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

**The following two letters appeared in the Irish Times on April 27th concerning the Citizens' Assembly and it's predecessor the Constitutional Convention:-**

- (1) **'Sir - The controversial recommendations of the Citizens' Assembly that abortion should be allowed without restrictions up to the first 12 weeks of pregnancy and that it should be permitted up to birth where the child has life-limiting conditions, are horrific proposals and are a blatant denial of the most basic human right, the right to life.'**
- (2) **'Sir - The last group of random citizens was known as the Constitutional Convention. It voted 52 - 47 to reduce the minimum age for presidential candidates, proving just how "representative" they were of an electorate that voted the proposition down by a three-to-one landslide.'**

### Recently Departed

Philomena Mongey, O'Growney Terrace

#### Mass Intentions for Week - Kells

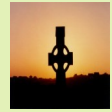
Sat (May 20)	6.30pm	- 5th Ann - Mary Farrelly & Anniv - Jimmy Farrelly, Beechlawn - 14th Ann - Teresina Caffrey, St Brigid's Tee - Anniv - Deceased members of the Doyle family, St. Colmcille's Villas
Sun (May 21)	11.00am	- MM - Eddie Sheridan, Fr MacCullen Pk
	12.15pm	- First Holy Communion
Sat (May 27)	6.30pm	- 5th Ann - Tommy Cooney & 4th Ann - Marie Cooney, Rockfield - Anniv - Bridget Smith, Rosmeen and Phyllis Smith, Canon St
Sun (May 28)	11.00am	- MM - Mary Browne, Kilmainham
	12.15pm	- 1st Ann - Tom Lynch, Fr MacCullen Pk

#### Mass Intentions for Week - Girley

Sun (May 21)	10.00am	- Deceased members of the Halpin family, Chamberlainstown
Sun (May 28)	10.00am	- Anniv - Joe & Beta Dillon, The Grove

#### Anniversary Masses

Annie Connell, Kilskyre; Sarah & Michael Flood, Oristown.



### PARISH LITURGY COMMITTEE

Meeting on Tuesday 23rd May 2017 at 7.30pm in Parochial house

**ALL IRELAND ROSARY RALLY** - Knock Shrine on Sat 3rd June. Main celebrant: Bishop Brendan Kelly. Homilist: Fr. Thady Doyle. Bus: Marie Donoghue on 0469242091.

**KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBANUS** - are organising St. Oliver's Pilgrim Walk around Drogheda's 7 churches on Friday 26th & Saturday 27th May starting at Our Lady of Lourdes church. Pilgrims can complete the walk over either day between 10.30am-4.30pm or over the two days. Full details: [www.stoliverswalk.com](http://www.stoliverswalk.com)

**LEGION OF MARY** - invites parishioners to volunteer to receive the Fatima Statue into their homes for 1 week. For more info - contact Bridie Fitzsimons on 0469248722.

**COMMUNITY YOGA & PILATES CLASSES** - at The Crea Centre, Drumbaragh including Yoga for Beginners; Pilates for Beginners; Yoga following cancer treatment; Post Natal Conditioning & Chair Yoga. Classes are by donation. Further details and to book a place: Martina 0879272013

**FREE CLASSES IN DIGITAL SKILLS** - for older people. Third Age is delivering free digital skills classes in your area. Third Age (a national organisation promoting the well-being of older people) has been delegated by the Dept of Communications to provide such classes. The free training course is a 10-hour programme over five weeks, two hours per week, 10 participants per course. The course is designed to inspire confidence in its intended audience of non-liners and to create opportunities for successful self-learning. To register your interest please phone 0469557766 or log on to [nationaloffice@thirdage.ie](mailto:nationaloffice@thirdage.ie) for more information.

**MEATH ARCHAEOLOGICAL & HISTORICAL SOCIETY** - outing to Hill of Uisneach, Co Westmeath. Guided tour by Ruth Illingworth on Sun 28th May. Assemble at hill at 3pm. All welcome. Bring suitable footwear etc. Inquiries to J. Clancy 018259438.

#### COLLECTIONS

Offertory/missalettes Kells €2301 Girley €208,  
Weekly envelopes Kells €1402 Girley €99

Thank you to all who contribute and those who pay  
by Standing Order.

**ANNUAL DUES:-** We thank the residents and collector for  
their generosity and time - Rockfield Road (PJ McCaffrey)



Handball €900;  
Kilmainham €10000;  
Drumbaragh €6400;  
Gaeil Colmcille €6300

#### 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.

**TALK ON DEPRESSION** - by Dr. Steve Critchlow in the Edmund Rice Centre, Kells on Sunday 28th May from 7-9pm. The evening will start with a presentation about depression, followed by questions and a tea break. There will be an optional brief reflection on the spiritual issues associated with mental health. Admission is free.

**HEALTHCARE VACANCIES IN NAVAN** - Are you over 21 and on a Social Welfare payment for 12 months? You may be eligible to join Navan EDP CLG Healthcare Project through Community Employment to work (19.5 hrs per week) and train as Care Assistant. QQI Level 5 Healthcare Support Training provided. Enquiries to Navan EDP CLG office on 0469071938.