



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



SUNDAY 24 FEB 2019

Priest on Duty – Fr. John Phone: 0469240213 or 0469240842
Times of Weekend Masses: Sat: Vigil 6.30pm, Sun: 9am & 11.30am Girley - Sunday: 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 1.30pm.
Adoration of Blessed Sacrament Mon to Fri 8am-5.30pm
Email - info@kellsparish.ie Website - www.kellsparish.ie

SACRISTAN TO RETIRE

After many years of dedicated service, Gerry McManus is retiring at the end of April from the position of Sacristan in Kells.
 If you know of a person or persons suitable for the position, please contact Fr. John or the Parish Office.

WHY GO TO MASS?

- * Jesus invites me - 'Do this in memory of Me'
- * The community needs the support of my presence
- * My faith needs the support of a believing community
- * The Gospel can challenge me
- * The Bread of Life can nourish and strengthen me
- * Weekly Mass anchors my week and my life
- * God has blessed me, so I give thanks
- * I have needs, so I ask for God's help
- * Worship combats spiritual laziness
- * Worship gives depth, direction and meaning to life. *(Fr Aidan Ryan)*



REFLECTION

Real faith is not a set of answers; rather, it leaves us in mystery, in longing, in desire, but open to something bigger. Real faith gets us in touch with what the poet Anne Sexton once called that "gnawing pestilential rat" inside us. Our deepest desire is a gnawing disquiet inside us, a longing for Someone big enough to embrace our questions and hold our doubts.
Fr. Ronald Rolheiser



FIRST FRIDAY WEEK

Friday: 9.30am Mass. Saturday: Padre Pio Mass 10am.

READERS ROTAS FOR 2019

The rotas have issued and are available for collection in the Sacristy.

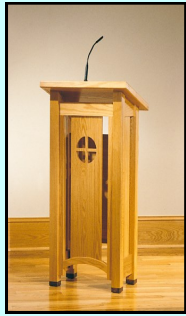
COLLECTIONS

Offertory/missalettes: Kells €1445; Girley €180;
 Weekly envelopes: Kells €1478; Girley €141
 We thank all those who contribute, collect and count.

LOTTOS Handball €4,900; Kilmainham €2,300;
 Drumbaragh €3,600;
 Gaeil Colmcille €9,300

HYMN FOR FEBRUARY

Sing praise to our Creator,
 O sons of Adam's race,
 God's children by adoption,
 Baptised into His grace.
 Praise the Holy Trinity, undivided unity
 Holy God, mighty God, God immortal be adored.
 To Jesus Christ give glory,
 God's co-eternal Son,
 As members of His body
 we live in Him as one.



MINISTERS OF THE WORD FOR MARCH (weekend Masses)

Sat 6.30pm — Maria Monaghan; Pauline Cusack
Sun 9.00am — John Griffin; Mary Flood
11.30am — Áine Farrelly; Fiona Shaw

MINISTERS OF THE WORD FOR MARCH (weekday Masses 9.30am)

Jimmy O'Brien (4-9 Mar), Eileen O'Reilly (11-16 Mar),
Val Mulvany (18-23 Mar), Geraldine O'Dea (25-30 Mar)

MINISTERS OF THE WORD FOR MARCH (Lent weekday Masses 7.45am)

Marie Gibney (6-15 Mar), Liz Smyth (18-22 Mar), Mary Flood (25-29 Mar)

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST FOR MARCH

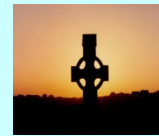
Group 3

Recently Departed

Philip O'Connor, Townparks Manor; Harry Lynch, late of Headfort Place, died in Australia

Mass Intentions for Week - Kells

Sat (Feb 23)	6.30pm	-5th Ann - Patrick Fitzsimons, St. Patrick's Tc also Deceased members of Fitzsimons family -Anniv - John Martin, Magdalene Ct also James & Chrissie Martin, Kevin & Maureen Rice -7th Ann - Mary Fox, Church St -7th Ann - Billy Dolan, Blackwater Hts
Sun (Feb 24)	11.30am	-1st Ann - Georgina Kerrigan, Headfort Pk
Mon (Feb 25)	9.30am	-Anniv - Liam, John & Maphie Broderick, Maudlin Rd
Sat (Mar 2)	10.00am	-MM - Nigel Farrelly, O'Growney Tce
	6.30pm	-3rd Ann - Anthony Smith, Bective St -Anniv - Eamon & Agnes Thornton, Bective St -Anniv - Margaret Newman, Johnsbrook -2nd Ann - Maureen Cole, Moynalty Rd
Sun (Mar 3)	9.00am	-1st Ann - Ned Duignan, Drumbaragh
	11.30am	-MM - Gary Cummins, Rathfarnham



Mass Intentions for Week - Gireley

Sun (Feb 24)	10.00am	-Anniv - Marie, Nancy & Pat Bradley, Fordstown -Anniv - Bill & Brenda Burke, Drewstown
Sun (Mar 3)	10.00am	-Anniv - Jeanne Jones, Newtowngirley

Anniversary Masses

John Tormay, Maudlin St; Julia & Matthew Rourke, Maudlin Rd; Msgr. John Shortall, (former P.P. Kells); Richard & Bridget Drew; Annie Dunne, Cross St; Jim, Bridget & Andrew Brooks, Febog; Matthew & Norah Lynch, Johnsbrook.

PRO LIFE WESTMEATH - talk with Carol Nolan TD and Michael Dwyer in Greville Arms Hotel, Mullingar on Thurs Feb 28th at 7.30pm. All welcome.

KELLS & DISTRICT TOURISM NETWORK - are looking for volunteers who would like to do tour guiding during the summer months. Anyone interested can leave a message with Olivia on 0877829310.

KELLS YOUTH CAFÉ - NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING - Kells Local Heroes is planning to create a Youth Café and provide young people in the locality, between 12 and 17 years of age, a space to relax away from homework, social media, computer games and TV. The Café plans to offer them use of their spare time in a structured and secure environment. There will be a public meeting in the Headfort Arms Hotel on 28th February at 7pm to gather views, inputs, opinions, concerns, feedback, etc with a view to forming a committee that will go forward and seek a suitable venue, raise funds and draw up a management plan. All residents of Kells are invited to get involved and encourage this project as it will benefit our youth and their parents. For further details please contact Hoda on 0871371508 or check Kells Local Heroes Facebook page for updates.

KELLS ALPS - Tues 26th Feb 10.30am - 12.30pm in Adult Education Centre, Bective St. Decluttering with Joan. All welcome.

EUREKA SECONDARY SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOCIATION - invites you to a talk given by Arthur Gosil on 'Strength-based Learning' on Monday 25th February at 7.30pm. He will explain how focusing on your child's stronger subject leads to improved motivation and performance. This may assist in subject choice selection. All are welcome.

KELLS WHIST CLUB - will resume on Tues 5th Mar at 8pm in the Parish Hall. New members welcome, refreshments served.

LOURDES INVALID FUND - church gate collection this weekend - 23rd & 24th February 2019.

THROMBOSIS IRELAND AND NAVAN HOSPITAL - are hosting a Blood Clot Awareness Event on Wednesday 6th March 2019 in Navan Hospital. There will be a FREE Education event for the public in the morning from 9 - 11.30am. Places are limited so booking is essential. Please contact Ann-Marie on 0873634828.