



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



SUNDAY 3 DECEMBER 2017

Priest on Duty – Fr. John Phone 9240213.



**FRIDAY — 8th DECEMBER 2017
FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION**

**KELLS - Vigil Mass on Thurs at 6.30pm; Friday at 9am & 12.15pm
GIRLEY - Mass on Friday at 10am**



ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL

The annual church gate collection for the Society will take place after all Masses on Sat 9th and Sun 10th December 2017. You have been very generous in the past and we sincerely thank you for your support. All donations, big or small, are greatly appreciated.



Make your SVP donation go further:- SVP can now reclaim tax on eligible received donations from both PAYE and self-assessed donors. This means that if you donate €250 or more to SVP in one calendar year, SVP can reclaim up to an additional €113 at no extra cost to you. CHY3 forms for this purpose are available on request.

Anyone who requires assistance for Christmas please phone the helpline 0872934507 before 11th Dec 2017.



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Meeting on Monday 4th December 2017 at 8pm in Parochial House.



KELLS BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Bereavement meeting in Parish Hall on first Thursday of each month. Next meeting is Thurs 7th December at 8pm. Anyone experiencing grief or loss of any kind is welcome.



FIRST COMMUNION PARENTS COMMITTEE

Meeting on Friday 8th December 2017 at 8pm in Parochial House.



CHRISTMAS DAY CHILDRENS MASS 12.15PM

If you are aged from 7 to 13 years and would like to take part in the 12.15pm Christmas Day Mass, then please note that rehearsals for same began last Sat morning and are from 9am to 10am in the Parish Hall. If interested please contact Kathleen on 0876246683 to put your name down. It is important to note that there will be rehearsals every Saturday for one hour in the Parish Hall but on 23rd December the rehearsal will be in the church after morning Mass and will be for approx. 1.5 hours.

YOUTH 2000 CHRISTMAS RETREAT

Youth 2000 Ireland will be holding their annual Christmas youth retreat in Newbridge College, Co. Kildare from Fri 8th to Sun 10th of Dec. The weekend consists of an action-packed programme including prayer, workshops, drama, inspirational talks, testimonies, music, games and chill-out time. Please book online & bring a sleeping bag if you wish to avail of on-site accommodation. Retreat starts with registration on Fri eve. For more info check out www.youth2000.ie



Handball €500
Kilmainham €2500;
Drumbaragh €9200;
Gaeil Colmcille €10500

COLLECTIONS

Offertory/missalettes:
Kells €1938 Girley €275;
Weekly envelopes:
Kells €1540 Girley €120

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

HYMN FOR ADVENT

O come, O come Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here,
Until the Son of God appear.
*Rejoice, rejoice Emmanuel
Shall come to you O Israel.*
O come thou rod of Jesse free
Thine own from Satan's tyranny,
From depths of hell Thy people save,
And give them vict'ry o'er the grave.



Recently Departed

Eileen Wells, née Irwin, late of Fair Green, Kells died in Wisconsin, USA; Declan McCaughley, Balrath Woods.
(Kells Parish Bethany Bereavement Support Group - Contact Parish Office or email kellsbethanygroup@gmail.com)

Mass Intentions for Week - Kells

Sat (Dec 2)	6.30pm	- 4th Ann - Johnny Smith, Kenlis Crescent - Anniv - Mollie, Jack & David Walsh, Kilmainham - 4th Ann - Joachim Gilsenan, Rockfield Rd
Sun (Dec 3)	11.00am 12.15pm	- MM - Speedy Rourke, Magdalene Crt - MM - James Teelin, Circular Rd
Wed (Dec 6)	9.30am	- 4th Ann - John Horgan, Kells & Canada
Sat (Dec 9)	10.00am 6.30pm	- 8th Ann - Mick McCarthy, Gardenrath Rd - 2nd Ann - Patrick Smyth, Fr MacCullen Pk - 2nd Ann - Dessie Wyer, Taylor Hall - Deceased members of Kells Musical & Dramatic Society - Anniv - Jim McGovern, Rodstown
Sun (Dec 10)	11.00am	- 1st Ann - Teresa Caffrey, Fr MacCullen Pk



Mass Intentions for Week - Girley

Sun (Dec 3)	10.00am	- Anniv - Matthias & Elizabeth Fox, Girley
Sun (Dec 10)	10.00am	- Anniv - Edward & Mary Lenihan, Fordstown

Anniversary Masses

John & Claire Rogers, St. Colmcille's Villas; Julia & Peter McManus, Rockfield Rd; Paddy Manning, O'Growney Tce; Francis, Bridget & Podger Morris, Newmarket St; Jimmy & Joan Morris, Bective St; Doreen Gillic née Sheridan & Greg Sheridan, Canon St; Michael Carroll, Oliver Plunkett Rd; Thomas Farrell, Ballinamona & Willie Black Crescent; Matt & Rose Healy, Station Hse.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

Come and join us on Sun Dec 10th at 7pm as we enter into the true spirit of Christmas. The Parish Choirs, Kells Silver Band and the boys of St. Colmcille's School will sing a selection of Christmas carols in the church as we prepare to 'wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ'. All welcome.



KELLS ALPS - Christmas Party in The Bective on 5th Dec at 6pm. Music by Eddie Quinn.

KELLS CHRISTMAS LIGHTS - Today, Sun 3rd Dec the 'Big Switch On' will have huge community participation to start the festive season with a lantern parade followed by street celebrations - start time: 4pm.

KELLS BY CANDLELIGHT - Today, Sun Dec 3rd - Lantern parade: gathers at 4.15pm at the Fair Green. Parade starts at 4.45pm, down Church Lane to meet the monks at St. Colmcille's House, then via the Church of Ireland grounds to Newmarket St & Farrell St. Enjoy Christmas carols, music, celebrations and Santy.

ST COLMCILLE'S (KELLS) CREDIT UNION - AGM will be held on 12th December 2017 in Headfort Arms Hotel at 8pm. All members are invited to attend and light refreshments will be served.

KELLS LOCAL HEROES - are having their winter league final table quiz in The Westway lounge on Fri 8th Dec at 8.30pm. A table of four is €40. All proceeds go to KLH and there will be a raffle on the night. Everyone welcome.

CHRISTMAS FLORAL DEMONSTRATION - on Wed 13th Dec in Headfort Golf Club from 3.30-6pm. Donations at the door & raffle of exhibits in aid of Meals on Wheels, Kells.

NAVAN TOASTMASTERS - meet 1st & 3rd Wed of the month at 8pm in Ardboyne Hotel, Navan. Next meeting Dec 6th.

MEATH ALZHEIMER CAFÉ - Annual Christmas Party in Pastoral Centre, Dunshaughlin on Wed 6th Dec from 7-9pm. Contact Whistlemount Day Centre on 0469027007.

NEWLY BAPTISED

We welcome into the Christian Community:

Eden Christopher Lee	- Cherryhill Court, Kells
Carl Cussen	- Moynalty Rd, Kells
Liam Nicholson	- Newrath View, Kells
Dara Molly Quigley	- Townparks Manor, Kells
Patryk Taranek	- Rochford Hall, Kells
Jessica Elizabeth Alder	- Athlumney, Navan
Anna Sophie Timmons	- Fordstown, Navan
Jack Oliver Dunne	- Pepperstown, Kells
Julianna Therese Tallon	- Martry, Kells

CHRISTMAS MASS BOUQUET CARDS

Christmas Mass Bouquet cards available in Parish Office.

KELLS SILVER BAND

2nd Dec - People's Resource Centre
3rd Dec - Switch on Lights & Kells By Candlelight
10th Dec - Carol Service in St. Colmcille's Church
17th Dec - Carol Service in St. Columba's Church
Christmas Day
9.00am: Mass - St. Colmcille's Church
10.30am: St. Columba's Church
11.30am: St. Colmcille's Nursing Home
12.00pm: Paupers Cemetery at Peoples Park
9th Jan 2018 - Kells Senior Citizens Party

