



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



SUNDAY 9 DECEMBER 2018

Priest on Duty – Fr. Sebi - Phone: 0469240213 & 0469240842

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT IN KELLS CHURCH



Come and join us on Sun Dec 9th at 5pm as we enter into the true spirit of Christmas. The Parish Choir, Folk Group, 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.



SPECIAL RECONCILIATION SERVICE

**Monday (December 17th) at 8pm in Parish Church
in preparation for Christmas.**



The format will be the same as in previous years. People who wish to meet the Lord in the Sacrament of Reconciliation that evening will be asked to approach the Sanctuary as if they were coming to receive the Lord in Holy Communion. You may spend as long as you wish with the priest of your choice who will then give you absolution. Seats at the top of the Church will be reserved for people who have difficulty standing.

People are invited to be in their seats by 8pm

PENITENTIAL SERVICE STEWARDS

**Val Mulvany, Brian O'Neill, Francis McGovern, Gerry McManus,
Jimmy McQuaid, Liz Smyth, Margie O'Neill**
(It would be appreciated if Stewards could please be in the church at 7.30pm)



NEWLY BAPTISED

We welcome into the Christian Community:



- Rose Evelyn Cureton
- Lottie Leigh Gorman
- Caoilinn Grace Healy
- Darcie Patricia Kirwan
- Ava Ann McAuley
- Theadora Marguerite McNulty
- Annanora Margaret Morgan-Kiernan
- Lois Samantha O'Brien
- Jessica Anne Truskawa

- Cherryhill Rd, Kells
- The Glebe, Kells
- Townparks, Kells
- Stonebridge, Kells
- Lisclougher, Delvin
- Headfort Demesne, Kells
- Archdeaconry, Kells
- Rochford Hall, Kells
- Bective Place, Kells



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Flowers or donations for Christmas Altar greatly appreciated.
Kindly leave in Sacristy before Friday December 14th.



CHRISTMAS MASS BOUQUET CARDS

Christmas Mass Bouquet cards now available in Parish Office.



ADVENT HYMN

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.
Rejoice, rejoice, Emmanuel.....

Recently Departed

Liam Hegarty, late Moynalty Road, Kells died in Philadelphia;
Johnny Shankey, Drakerath, Carlanstown

Mass Intentions for Week - Kells

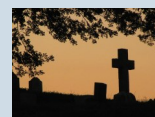
Sat (Dec 8)	6.30pm	-2nd Ann - Teresa Caffrey, Fr MacCullen Park also John Caffrey -3rd Ann - Sylvia Farrelly, Cherryhill Green -Anniv - Jim McGovern, Rodstown
Sun (Dec 9)	9.00am 11.00am 12.15pm	-1st Ann - Margaret McKenna née Flynn, Cortown -1st Ann - Bernadette Flynn, Fair Green -1st Ann - Darren Rogers, St Annes, Moynalty Road
Fri (Dec 14)	9.30am	-Anniv - Robert & PJ Cole, Moynalty Rd -Deceased members of the McGovern families, Carrick St & Climber Hall
Sat (Dec 15)	10.00am 6.30pm	-Anniv - Charlie & Mary Rogers, St. Patrick's Tce -2nd Ann - Caroline Brennan, Árd na Gréine -8th Ann - Bridie Hickey, Kilmainham -Anniv - Mary Grace, Maudlin St also Margaret & Micháel Grace
Sun (Dec 16)	11.00am 12.15pm	-MM - Mona Keaveny, Oldcastle Rd -1st Ann - Harry Farrelly, Moylagh, Oldcastle

Mass Intentions for Week - Cirley

Sun (Dec 16) 10.00am -Anniv - Edward & Mary Lenehan, Fordstown

Anniversary Masses

50th Ann - Matthew (Yankee) Rourke, Maudlin Rd; Deceased members of the Ryan family, Syddenrath;
Johnny & Teasie Black, Fair Green; Sean Muldoon, Headfort Place; Nellie & Terry Murphy, Cavan Road;
John & Claire Rogers, St. Colmcille's Villas; Liam Molloy, Blackthorn Close; Thomas Farrell, Ballinamona;
Pat & Rita Farrelly, Maudlin St; Elizabeth Murphy, St. Colmcille's Villas; Bro. Michael Curran, CBS, Kells;
James & Kathleen Cannon, Church Lane.



GROWING A WORLD WONDER

The Laudato Tree project is an initiative of the Society of African Missions and has its' origins in the SMA Thumbprint Campaign for Climate Justice. The title 'Laudato Tree' refers to the 2015 Letter of Pope Francis - Laudato Si - which reminds us that our environment is fragile and that everything is interconnected and interdependent.

The Laudato Tree project encourages the planting of trees in Ireland (in partnership with the Tree Council of Ireland) and in Africa by supporting a United Nations Convention on Combating Desertification (UNCCD) project - Great Green Wall - to combat the spread of the desert in Africa. The Great Green Wall project aims to plant a green 'wall' right across the continent just south of the Sahara Desert. For information on the Great Green Wall, see www.greatgreenwall.org

- *46% of Africa's land is degraded, jeopardising the livelihoods of nearly 65% of the Continent's population.
- *20 million people are on the verge of starvation across the Sahel - drought is a major factor.
- *60 million people are expected to leave degraded areas of Africa in the next two decades.
- *By 2050 the Sahel's population is expected to rise from the current 100 million to 340 million.
- *Temperatures in the Sahel are expected to rise between 3-5 degrees C by the end of the century.



The Great Green Wall has the potential to mitigate or even reverse these effects.

KELLS THEATRE - MOB Theatre Company presents the classic Christmas tale - 'A Christmas Carol' with script by Alan Grant along with a short comedy 'Box & Cox' in Kells Theatre on Sat 8th Dec at 7.30pm. Tickets €15 with concessions €12. Email theatre: kellstheatre@gmail.com or ring 0469252405 / 0872079557 to book.

KELLS CREDIT UNION - The AGM of St. Colmcille's Kells Credit Union will take place on Tues 11th Dec at 8pm in the Headfort Arms Hotel. Refreshments will be served.

CHRISTMAS FLORAL DEMONSTRATION - by Christine Foley on Wednesday 12th December from 3.30 - 6pm in Headfort Golf Club. Donations at the door and raffle of exhibits in aid of Kells Local Heroes.

KELLS SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS PARTY - hosted by Knights of St. Columbanus in the Headfort Arms Hotel, Kells on Sunday 6th January 2018 at 2pm. Kells Silver Band and Entertainment. RSVP - Michael 0872224724 or Paddy 0879144936

PARKRUN DEERPARK CARLANSTOWN - Parkrun is coming to Deerpark, Carlanstown on Saturday mornings at 9.30am. This is a free 5k timed-run or walk which is open to all. Please register at www.parkrun.ie or follow the Facebook page: Parkrun Deerpark Carlanstown. For more information contact Tony on 0879211308.

Handball €4,200;
Kilmainham: €1,300;
Drumbaragh €2,600
Gaeil Colmcille €7,800

COLLECTION

Offertory/Missal: Kells €1893 Girley €207
Weekly envelopes: Kells €1,825 Girley €70
Thank you to all those who contribute, count and collect.

