



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



SUNDAY 14th FEBRUARY 2021



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PARISH OFFICE - OPENING HOURS - COVID RESTRICTIONS

The Parish Office is open from
Tuesday to Friday - 10am - 1pm
Phone & e-mail queries can be dealt with outside these hours.
The Parish Secretary's role is now on a job-sharing basis and we would like to welcome
Emma Woods who will join Julie Flattery in the Parish Office.



SEASON OF LENT



Masses (online): Mon to Fri - 9.30am
Sat - 10.00am & 6.30pm
Sun - 11am

Ash Wednesday: Mass: 9.30am & 7pm (online)

Due to Covid restrictions, distribution of Ashes will happen differently this year. Small pouches of Ashes will be available in the church all day on Ash Wednesday for people to take home to apply the Ashes for yourself and those in your household.

Lent is a time to check in what direction we are going.
Three signposts are given to us to find the right road or to ensure that we stay on the right road.

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

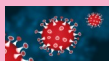
Make time for Daily Mass (online); Pray the Angelus at 12 noon & 6pm;
Daily Bible Reading; Stations of the Cross; Take a short daily break for prayer;
Visit the church before work/school; Pray the Rosary.

FASTING SUGGESTIONS

Abstain from sweets, alcohol and/or tobacco; Reduce screen-time in order to increase family-time;
Change a bad habit; Give up swearing; Remove some creature comforts.

ALMSGIVING IDEAS

Trócaire Lenten Project; Become a volunteer; Be charitable in word and action; Develop a good habit;
Befriend a lonely person; Speak out against bullying; Drive with courtesy;
Use the words 'please', 'thank you' and 'I'm sorry' more frequently.



COVID VACCINE



The prospect of a Covid vaccine happening very soon is good news that we should all welcome, embrace and promote. We have received reports here over recent days of some literature being distributed locally advising and frightening people NOT to receive the vaccine because of all kinds of ridiculous notions and supposed messages from St. Joseph. Please ignore. These letters are all ill-informed, inaccurate, have no faith, theological, church or Parish basis. They are also extremely disrespectful to all who have suffered because of Covid and the many still suffering, disrespectful to all our healthcare workers and especially disrespectful to all who have died. Please follow all health & science-based advice and recommendations.

Recently Departed

Dom Tighe, Mullingar Rd; Anne Bennett, Cross St; Patrick Gilligan, Girley; Ida Rooney, London
Mass Intentions for Kells

Sat (Feb 13) 6.30pm -2nd Ann - Philip O'Connor, Townparks Manor
-Anniv - Nellie Rourke, Gardenrath

Sun (Feb 14) 11.00am -MM - Paddy Doyle, Canon St
-Anniv - Maryann Clarke, Navan & Decd members of the Clarke family

Sat (Feb 20) 10.00am -12th Ann - Malachi Arrigan, Gardenrath

6.30pm -7th Ann - Ann McGovern, Cavan Rd

-Anniv - John Martin, Magdalene Crt & Decd members of
Martin family & Maureen Rice

-7th Ann - Patrick Fitzsimons, St Patrick's Tce & Decd members of Fitzsimons family

-9th Ann - Billy Dolan, Blackwater Heights

-3rd Ann - Georgina Kerrigan, Headfort Park

Sun (Feb 21) 11.00am -MM - Philip Heary Junior, Cherryhill & Fair Green

-MM - Brendan Heerey, Kilmainham



Anniversary Masses:

James & Mary Casserly, Springville

Stephen Tormay, Climber Hall

Joan Horgan, Kells & John Horgan, Toronto

Mary Farrelly, Maperath

Owen Farrelly, Grangegodden

Christopher, Annie & Michael Rourke, St. Patrick's Terrace, Maudlin Road

NOTICE:

BOOKING MASSES, REMEMBERING ANNIVERSARIES
& MASS OFFERINGS

A few amendments to booking Masses, remembering anniversaries and Mass offerings:

- (1) Mass offering amount will be left to your own discretion. We will no longer have a fixed amount. For some, money may not be as plentiful as for others. For that reason we can leave it to you to decide the amount you deem to be appropriate. The same rule applies to Mass Cards and Mass Bouquets.
- (2) Remembering Anniversaries of family and loved ones at Mass is always a good and kindly thing to do. It can also be an encouragement for wider family and friends to be present so we can pray together collectively as a parish.
- (3) We will now take 6 named separate intentions across any of the Masses to accommodate as many as possible. One person may not block book all 6 for any Mass as this would rule out other people wishing to remember their deceased. Any Anniversary or Months Memory can be booked at any of the Masses with priority given to the Months Memory and the family for that significant remembrance.
- (4) In the bulletin we will continue to give the address of people for whom Mass is being offered but we will only read out names during prayer at the Mass itself.

I do hope all of the above makes sense and will work well for us as a people gathering to pray and remember. Any feedback is always welcome.

Fr. David

COLLECTIONS

Candlemas Offerings: €2875; Plate Collection: €185
Fr. David & Fr. John thank all those who contributed to their upkeep through
last Sunday's Candlemas Offerings.

LOTTOS

Kilmainham - €4,400
Gaeil Colmcille - €12,000