



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



**SUNDAY 18th OCTOBER 2020**

**Priest on Duty: Fr David – Phone: 046/9240213 & 046/9240842**

**COVID-19 - CARE FOR ONE ANOTHER DURING  
THE CORONAVIRUS EPIDEMIC**

Following the Government's recent announcement of restrictions in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Irish Episcopal Conference issued instructions governing liturgical celebrations, administering of Sacraments and pastoral care. These instructions will remain in place until further notice.

Kells Parish has implemented the following changes in response to the instructions:-

- (1) All public Masses are suspended until further notice.
- (2) Fr. David and Fr. John will celebrate Mass (with just readers present) at 9.30am (Mon-Fri), 10am (Sat) and these Masses will be available on the webcam.
- (3) Weekend Masses: there will be 'live' Masses on the webcam at 6.30pm (Vigil, Saturday) and 11.00am (Sunday)
- (4) Funeral Masses will be for immediate family only (up to 25 people). We ask others to please respect that priority is given to the family so that we are not in breach of regulations. Death is especially difficult at the moment for families and we need to find other ways to support people in their grief.
- (5) Church will be open during the day and people are encouraged to come and pray privately.
- (6) Baptisms have been suspended until further notice.
- (7) Parish Office opening hours: Mon to Fri - 10am to 12pm. Enquiries/contact outside these hours by phone or email only please.

This is an occasion for all of us - especially in families - to pray more intensely for each other and especially for those who have succumbed to the illness. We should pray also for those in the frontline - especially doctors, nurses and medical staff and other carers, including clergy - that the Lord will protect them as they place their own wellbeing at risk in the service of all.



**60th ANNIVERSARY**

This week marks the 60th Anniversary of the dedication of St. Colmcille's church. We thank God for all those who made sacrifices in order to make the project possible.

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY - TODAY - SUNDAY OCTOBER 18TH**

In Ireland, World Mission Sunday is coordinated by World Missions Ireland, the Irish Church's official charity for overseas missions which supports the 40% of the Universal Church that is too new, young or poor to support itself. WMI is part of a network of 120 offices under the coordination of the Pontifical Mission Societies in Rome. This year WMI launches a special appeal as the Covid-19 pandemic has been devastating for those in the developing world. The pandemic is also threatening the work of missionaries worldwide, as Mass attendance has declined and the number of donations to charities such as WMI has dropped significantly. Please support our missionaries by prayer and donation on [www.wmi.ie](http://www.wmi.ie)

Mission Sunday envelopes will be left at the back of the church

**Recently Departed**

Tom Gavigan, Loyd

**Mass Intentions for Kells**

Sat (Oct 17) 6.30pm - Anniv - Paddy Nugent, Kenlis Place  
- 5th Ann - Catherine Gaull  
Sun (Oct 18) 11.00am - 1st Ann - Septi Ephgrave, Headfort Grove  
Sat (Oct 24) 10.00am - 4th Ann - Sr. Josepha Dolan, St. Colmcille's Villas  
1.00pm - Wedding - Kells church  
6.30pm - 3rd Ann - Speedy Rourke, Magdalene Crt also Rory & Baby Michael Rourke  
- 4th Ann - Bridget Black, Loyd  
- 5th Ann - John Harte, Balrath  
- 2nd Ann - Paul Olohan, Toronto & late of Farrell St  
Sun (Oct 25) 11.00am - 1st Ann - Mattie Geraghty, Archdeaconry



**Anniversary Masses:**

Rose & Matt Healy, Station House; Josie McMahon, O'Growney Tee;  
Thomas & Annie McKeever, Rosmeen



**LIST OF THE DEAD**

Masses on First Fridays throughout the year and on All Souls Day (Nov 2) are offered for our faithful departed.

We ask you to use the Purple Envelope and Name Sheet from the weekly box of envelopes. If you cannot locate this envelope, some List of the Dead envelopes and name sheets are available in the front porch of the Church. The envelope should be returned to the Parochial House before All Souls Day (Nov 2).



**THANK YOU**

Thank you to all our stewards and volunteers who have helped us to keep our church a safe place for our parishioners over the past few months. We hope that we will be able to call on your services again when our church re-opens for public Masses.

**ST. CIARÁN'S COMMUNITY SCHOOL**

The school is now accepting Applications for 1st year September 2021.

Due to Covid restrictions they are unable to host an Open Night for incoming First Years. The prospectus and application forms are available on the school website - [www.stciaranscs.ie](http://www.stciaranscs.ie)

Closing date for receipt of applications is Friday 23rd October 2020. This deadline is absolute.

**EUREKA SECONDARY SCHOOL**

Virtual Open Evening will be available from 15th October 2020 on the school website - [www.eurekasecondaryschool.ie](http://www.eurekasecondaryschool.ie)

**PARISH BULLETINS**

The parish bulletin will be available at the back of the church and also in Kells Post Office each week. Thank you to the Post Office authorities for facilitating this.

**ALONE** - manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am-8pm by calling 0818 222 024.

**DIGITAL SKILLS TRAINING** - FREE five week basic iPhone, iPad, Tablet and smartphone class commencing in Meath shortly. Numbers will be limited to make it possible to practice social distancing and adhere to guidelines. Please call Angela at Meath Partnership on 0469280790 to book a place.

**COLLECTIONS**

We wish to acknowledge and thank all those who have sent in their weekly envelopes and all those who continue to pay by standing order.

Kilmainham - €2800

Gaël Colmcille - €9600