



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



SUNDAY 24 MARCH 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: 7.45am & 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

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Vincents Shop open Tues to Saturday, normal opening hours (extra volunteers needed)

**SPRING 2019 GENERAL MEETING OF THE
IRISH CATHOLIC BISHOPS' CONFERENCE**

The conference took place in St. Patrick's College, Maynooth last week.
For more information on the conference please log on to: www.catholicbishops.ie

WELCOME

To all the clubs and organisations taking part in the Vigil Mass this weekend.

HERE'S A MESSAGE FROM POPE FRANCIS ON THE 'OUR FATHER'

There is a striking absence in the text of the 'Our Father'. A word is missing. Everyone think: what is missing from the 'Our Father'? Think, what is missing? One word.

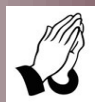
To save time, I will tell you: the word 'I' is missing. 'I' is never said.

Jesus teaches us to pray with 'You' on our lips, because Christian prayer is a conversation: 'blessed be *your* name, *your* kingdom come, *your* will be done'. Not *my* name, *my* kingdom, *my* will. And then it moves on to 'we'. The entire second part of the 'Our Father' uses the first person plural: give *us* our daily bread, forgive *us* our sins, lead *us* not into temptation, deliver *us* from evil'. Even the most basic requests - such as that of having food to satisfy hunger - are all in the plural. In Christian prayer, no one asks for bread for themselves:

give *me* bread today - no, give *us*, it is asked for all, for all the world's poor.

We must not forget this. The word 'I' is missing.

We pray by using 'you' and 'we'. It is a good lesson from Jesus.



LENT & TRÓCAIRE



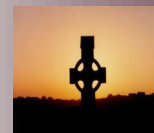
The girl on the front of this year's Trócaire box is called Patricia. Names like Patricia and Patrick are popular in Uganda because of Irish missionaries who work there. During Lent, we ask you to bring home a Trócaire box and please support the appeal. This year, the appeal puts the focus on the plight of people forced to leave their land. They are left without homes and livelihoods. Patricia's family lives on a small piece of land with two traditional huts. One hut is used for cooking and sleeping, the other for storage. The roof is thatched and needs to be changed every three years. Patricia lives with her mother, sister and two brothers. Her father died in 2011. Patricia and her family are vulnerable people. They live in a community where land is frequently stolen - by corporate land grabs, by war or because they are women. Trócaire, with your help, supports these families in their need.

Recently Departed

Sheila Callaghan, née Grimes, formerly Church View, who died in Dublin

Mass Intentions for Week - Kells

Sat (Mar 23)	6.30pm	-Anniv - John Furlong, Kilmainham -2nd Ann - Christina Butler, Rockfield Rd -3rd Ann - Tommy Grimes, Fr. MacCullen Pk -Anniv - Matt & Kathleen Grimes, Drumbaragh
Sun (Mar 24)	11.30am	-MM - Carl Gibney, Bective St
Mon (Mar 25)		-THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD
	9.30am	-Anniv - Brigid McGrane, Castle St also Michael McGrane
Tue (Mar 26)	9.30am	-Anniv - Robert Cole, Moynalty Rd
Sat (Mar 30)	10.00am	-Anniv - Kathleen, James & Eamon Grace, Maudlin Rd
	6.30pm	-5th Ann - Josephine Reddy, Bective St also Timmy Reddy -14th Ann - Malcolm Tanner, Birmingham -2nd Ann - Dave MacGowan, Loyd -10th Ann - John Brennan, Oakley Pk
Sun (Mar 31)	11.30am	-MM - Maureen Olohan, Rockfield Rd



Mass Intentions for Week - Girley

Sun (Mar 24)	10.00am	-2nd Ann - John Hyland, Fordstown
Sun (Mar 31)	10.00am	-Anniv - Margo Kelly & deceased members of the Kelly family, Girley -5th Ann - Alice Clarke, Garristown

Anniversary Masses

Rose Lynch, Grangegodden; Jimmy Smith, Suffolk St; Tommy & Roseann Morris, Church Lane; Edward Farrell Snr, Ballinamona.

YOUNG ADULTS! (18-40) - an invitation to a Retreat for Lent in Dalgan Park, Navan - 29th-31st March. Prayer, inspiring talks, friendship and joy in the faith, Mass, Adoration, time to reflect, confession.

KELLS ALPS - Tues 26th March - Adult Education Centre, Bective St. 10.30am-12.30pm. David Gormley will talk on health matters. All welcome.

KELLS LIVELY CITIZENS CLUB - Trip to Galway - meet at the Fair Green on Monday 25th March at 10.45am sharp. Contact 0868144495.

POBALScoil CHIARÁIN, KELLS COMMUNITY SCHOOL - is celebrating its 30th Year Anniversary on Thursday 2nd May with a tree-planting ceremony at 7pm followed by celebration at 7.30pm. All welcome to attend. If any past pupil/staff has photos/memorabilia which could be displayed on the night, please contact the school at weare30@stciaranscs.ie before Tues 26th March.

KELLS COMMUNITY GAMES - athletes training commences on Mon 25th March at 5.30pm in Rockfield Playing fields. Info from Marion on 0863767913 or Peter on 0872497834.

CORTOWN COUNTRY DANCE - Sun 31st March from 5-8pm in Cortown Hall with Paul Leavy. Light refreshments. Admission: €10.

M.A.H.S. - lecture 'The Geography of the Mechanisation of Agriculture in Ireland in the 20th Century' by Professor Jim Walsh (Maynooth University) at Trim Castle Hotel (Bective Suite) at 8pm. (note: this is a change of venue from Trim Library). All welcome. Enquiries to J. Clancy on 018259438.

SCRIPTURE



You are invited to meet in the Parish Hall each Monday morning after 9.30am Mass and Friday nights at 7.30pm to explore and meditate on Sunday's Gospel and to contemplate what God is saying to you through the Scriptures.

COLLECTIONS

Offertory/missalettes: Kells €1877; Girley €270;
Weekly envelopes: Kells €1769; Girley €114

We thank all those who contribute, collect and count.

LOTTOS

Handball €5,200;
Kilmainham €2,600;
Drumbaragh €3,900;
Gaeil Colmceille €9,750

HYMN FOR LENT

God of mercy and compassion
Look with pity upon me;
Father, let me call thee Father,
For I now return to thee.
*Jesus Lord, I ask for mercy,
Let me not implore in vain;
All my sins I now reject them,
Never will I sin again.*
By my sins I have abandoned
Right and claim to heaven above,
Where the saints rejoice forever
In a boundless sea of love.