



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



SUNDAY 3rd MAY 2020

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

Daily Mass - Tues to Fri: 9.30am; Sat: 10am & 6.30pm; Sun: 11.30am
Monday - Public Holiday - Mass at 10am



RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS SUNDAY

‘Dear friends, on this day in particular, but also in the ordinary pastoral life of our communities, I ask the Church to continue to promote vocations. May the Blessed Virgin Mary touch the hearts of the faithful and enable each of them to discover with gratitude God’s call in their lives, to find courage to say “yes” to God, to overcome all weariness through faith in Christ, and to make of their lives a song of praise of God, for their brothers and sisters, and for the whole world. May the Virgin Mary accompany us and intercede for us.’

Pope Francis



**LETTER OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS
TO THE FAITHFUL FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2020**



‘Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The month of May is approaching, a time when the people of God express with particular intensity their love and devotion for the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is traditional in this month to pray the Rosary at home within the family. The restrictions of the pandemic have made us come to appreciate all the more this ‘family’ aspect, also from a spiritual point of view.

For this reason, I want to encourage everyone to rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary at home in the month of May. This can be done either as a group or individually; you can decide according to your own situations, making the most of both opportunities. The key to doing this is always simplicity, and it is easy also on the internet to find good models of prayers to follow.

Dear brothers and sisters, contemplating the face of Christ with the heart of Mary our Mother will make us even more united as a spiritual family and will help us overcome this time of trial. I keep all of you in my prayers, specially those suffering most greatly and I ask you, please, to pray for me. I thank you and with great affection I send you my blessing.’

Pope Francis

MAY ALTAR

A wonderful idea for May. Create a May Altar in your home.
Renew this beautiful tradition. Pray to Mary.



Recently Departed

Sr. Camillus O'Reilly, Convent of Mercy, Kells; Kitty Monaghan, Kilbeg;
Rory Gilsean, Buckingham, late of Whitecommons.

Mass Intentions for Kells

Sat (May 2) 6.30pm -Anniv - Eamon & Agnes Thornton, Bective St
-5th Ann - Kathleen Smith & 10th Ann - James Smith, Calliaghstown
-8th Ann - Bridget (Babie) Carpenter, Church View
-2nd Ann - Micheál Campbell, Febog
Sun (May 3) 11.30am -MM - Patrick Grace, Maudlin Rd
Fri (May 8) 9.30am -Anniv - Deceased members of Coyne & Mulroe families, Allenstown
Sat (May 9) 10.00am -40th Ann - Porick Rourke, Gardenrath
-3rd Ann - John Lynch, Dublin
6.30pm -12th Ann - Michael Smith, Magdalene Crt
-5th Ann - Chris Quinn, Carrick St
-Anniv - Margaret, Joe, Jackie & Bernadette Smith, Suffolk St
-Anniv - Thomas Smith & Deceased members of the Smith family, O'Growney Tce



Mass Intentions for Cirley

Sun (May 3) 11.30am -Anniv - Kitty Sheridan, Fordstown
Sun (May 10) 11.30am -Anniv - Deceased members of the Sheridan family, Chamberlainstown

Anniversary Masses:

13th Ann - Noel Dardis, Fr MacCullen Pk; McMahan family, Church View; Michael Lynch, Grangegodden.

ALONE

Alone has launched 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 & give advice where necessary. Support line is open seven days a week, 8am-8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.



KELLS MEALS ON WHEELS COMMITTEE

The Committee wish to thank the residents of Magdalene Court, St. Colmcille's Villas and Headfort Grove for their generous fundraising towards the Meals on Wheels fund. A special word of thanks to Deirdre and her staff in Carnaross Inn without whom this vital service could not continue at this difficult time.

KELLS CHURCH

The church will remain open (apart from Mass times) until 7pm each evening. The church car park will also be available to parishioners visiting for prayer. Fr. John & Fr. Sebi are available to parishioners at all times.

PARISH BULLETIN

The 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.

THANK YOU

- * We wish to acknowledge and thank all those who have sent in their Easter Offerings and weekly envelopes - including an anonymous donation received by post - and all those who continue to pay by standing order.
- * Many parishioners have asked 'how may I send in my weekly envelopes?' If it suits you, you may drop them in through the letter box of the Parochial house or Parish Office.