



**CHURCH OF ST. COLMCILLE KELLS**  
**CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION GIRLEY**  
**SUNDAY 8th FEBRUARY 2026**



**Masses Kells - Saturday Vigil 6.30pm; Sunday 9.30am & 12noon**  
**Girley - Sunday 10.30am**

**Weekdays - 10am *Confessions after the 10am on Saturdays***

**Baptisms - Sundays after 12pm Mass in Kells and after 10.30am Mass in Girley**

**Priests of the Parish: Fr. Mark English PP, Fr. Declan Kelly CC & Fr. John Byrne AP**

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**Parish Office Hours: Mon - Thurs 10am - 3pm**

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**THE GIFT OF LOVE** With St. Valentine's Day approaching we express our appreciation of the commitment couples make in the Sacred Marriage. We especially offer our love and support to the newlyweds of this past year and to couples celebrating significant anniversaries this year. "There is a truly marvellous design inherent in the Sacrament of Matrimony! And it unfolds in the simplicity and frailty of the human condition. We are well aware of how many difficulties two spouses experience.... The important thing is to keep alive their bond with God, who stands as the foundation of the marital bond. And the true bond is always the Lord. When the family prays, the bond is preserved. When the husband prays for his wife and the wife prays for her husband, that bond becomes strong; one praying for the other. It is true that there are so many difficulties in married life, so many, when there is insufficient work or money, when the children have problems. So much to contend with. And many times the husband and wife become a little fractious and argue between themselves. They argue, this is how it is, there is always arguing in marriage, sometimes the plates even fly. Yet we must not become saddened by this, this is the human condition. The secret is that love is stronger than the moment when there is arguing, and therefore I always advise spouses: do not let a day when you have argued end without making peace. Always! And to make peace it isn't necessary to call the United Nations to come to the house and make peace. A little gesture is sufficient, a caress, and then let it be! Until tomorrow! And tomorrow begin again. And this is life, carrying on, carrying on with courage and the desire to live together. And this is truly great, it is beautiful! Married life is such a beautiful thing and we must treasure it always." Pope Francis speaking on the Sacrament of Marriage, General Audience, St. Peter's Square



**CONFIRMATION 2026** As the countdown begins to the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation in our parishes we welcome the candidates this weekend as they bring their Passports and reflect upon the life of the Saints. We pray that they may grow in appreciation of the Communion of Saints, as we profess in the creed, which guides and inspires us along the way in this passing world to Heaven. We also welcome this weekend the First Holy Communion children as they too continue their sacramental journey with another sticker for their Passport.



**BLESSING OF HANDS** To mark the World Day of the Sick we invite all carers, nurses, doctors and others who assist those in our community who are sick to attend the 12pm Mass next Sunday 15th February during which we will have a ceremony for the blessing of hands. On 27th June we will celebrate Mass for the Sick in Kells when it is a warmer time of the year to gather!



**BLESSED PALMS** These can be placed in the basket at the altar for collection. These will be burned and the ash used for blessing and distribution on Ash Wednesday.

### Mass Intentions for Kells

- Sat (Feb 7) 6.30pm - Bridget O'Shea McDermott (1st Ann)  
- Raymond Flood, O'Growney Tce (1st Ann)  
- Paul Tormay, Climber Hall; Also Stephen & Ultan Tormay  
- Celina Holt, Gate Lodge, Headfort Estate  
- Betty Farrell; Also Michael Farrell, Gardenrath  
- Liam Ward, Kilmainham
- Sun (Feb 8) 9.30am - Mattie Rourke, Maudlin & New Zealand (1st Ann)  
- Daniel Carry, Maudlin Rd
- 12.00pm - Karen Byrne (1st Ann)  
- Dom Tighe, Mullingar Rd  
- Carl Gibney, Bective St
- Tues (Feb 10) 10.00am - Ann Coyne
- Thurs (Feb 12) 10.00am - James & Ann Coyne
- Sat (Feb 14) 10.00am - *Anniversaries Occurring*  
- Thomas Carr, Blackwater Heights (1st Ann)
- 6.30pm - Denis Breen, Cork (1st Ann)  
- Natalie Bennett, Stonebridge  
- John Martin, Magdalene Court; Also James & Samantha Martin;  
Chrissy Rice & Dec'd Family  
- Tommy & Winifred Rowntree, Kilmainham; Mary Fitzsimons, Navan
- Sun (Feb 15) 9.30am - Oliver Usher, Scurlogstown  
- Kitty McEntee, Newmarket St
- 12.00pm - Rose Yore, Rockfield (MM)  
- Martin Luddy, Kenlis Crescent  
- Thomas Flanagan, Oldcastle Rd  
- Philip O'Connor, Townparks Manor

### Mass Intentions for Girley

- Sun (Feb 8) 10.30am - Peter, Kathleen & Donie Smith; Also Gretta Lynch
- Sun (Feb 15) 10.30am - *Missa Pro Populo*

**COMMUNITY NOTES: IT'S PANTOMIME TIME AGAIN** KELLS MUSICAL & DRAMATIC SOCIETY PRESENTS THEIR 49TH HILARIOUSLY FUNNY PANTOMIME, PINOCCHIO FROM THURS 5TH FEB – SUN 15TH FEB OVER TWO WEEKENDS IN OLD EUREKA SCHOOL HALL, EUREKA HOUSE, NAVAN RD. THEATRE BOOKING OFFICE OPEN BY PHONE ONLY DAILY FROM 11AM TO 5PM 087 7101671 OR EMAIL KELLSTHEATRE@GMAIL.COM PHONE BOOKINGS BY LASER/ CREDIT CARD ETC. A GREAT FAMILY ADVENTURE WITH THE BEST OF LOCAL TALENT. SPECIAL FAMILY TICKET!! FIND US ON FACEBOOK. SEE POSTERS AND FLIERS FOR MORE DETAILS. SEE YOU THERE!!!! NAVAN FLORAL ART CLUB ARE HOLDING A GARDEN TALK BY UNA HOLE, CARRIAG GARDENS IN THE ARDBOYNE HOTEL ON WED 11TH FEB AT 8P.M. ALL ARE WELCOME. AN INTRODUCTION TO MENOPAUSE AND THE "CHANGE OF LIFE" WILL BE HELD IN ST ANNE'S RESOURCE CENTRE, NAVAN ON THURS 12TH FEB AT 7. 30PM. ADMISSION FREE BUT BOOKING REQUIRED AS PLACES ARE LIMITED. TO REGISTER, TEXT KAY 085 182 0118.



**KELLS PILGRIMAGE TO ASSISI & ROME COMMEMORATING THE 800TH ANNIVERSARY OF ST. FRANCIS' DEATH** *"May the Lord give you peace"*. We would be delighted to have you join with us 2nd - 7th June 2026 as we pray, reflect and celebrate together this exceptional Saint of Peace who continues to inspire us as the People of God; custodians of creation! See [www.joewalshtours.ie](http://www.joewalshtours.ie) for more details or tel: 012410800.

### COLLECTIONS (Kells & Girley)

Plate: €1786 Offerings: €155 Weekly Env: €1510

Thank you to all who contribute, count & collect.

If you wish to contribute by online banking our details are: Kells Church; IE17BOFI90344525066479