



CHURCH OF ST. COLMCILLE KELLS
CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION GIRLEY
Kells Pastoral Area with Parishes of Kells, Carnaross, Kilskyre & Moynalty



SUNDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER 2026

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

Weekdays - 10am Confessions after the 10am on Saturdays

Priests of the Parish: Fr. Mark English PP, Fr. Declan Kelly CC & Fr. John Byrne AP
Parish Secretary: Emma Woods Parish Office Hours: Mon - Thurs 10am - 3pm

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DIOCESAN FUND FOR THE CARE OF SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS During the time of the Covid Pandemic when it was difficult to have collections due to no Masses etc, the annual contribution to this fund was suspended. At the same time, the number of priests retiring each year continues to increase, resulting in the growing need to provide for the care and support of our sick and retired priests. Accordingly a collection will be taken up at all Masses next weekend. The proceeds of this collection will be used exclusively to support priests who have given many years of faithful service to the Diocese and who, in retirement or due to illness, now rely on the support of the Diocese. We thank you for your support of our retired and sick priests.

MESSAGE FROM POPE LEO AT THE MASS FOR THE CARE OF CREATION, CASTEL GANDALFO (1ST SEPT. 2026) "This evening, as we accept the invitation to pause and reflect before the works of God, we begin the "Season of Creation" — a period of five weeks devoted to prayer and commitment to the care of our "common home." On this Day, therefore, and in the weeks ahead, let us set aside a few moments to pause from the frenzy of our daily lives, in order to savour the profound harmony of which we ourselves are a part. Let us place in "silent mode" the many noises generated by human activity, so that we may hear the melodious voice of creation, through which God, the Author of all things, speaks to us. This task of contemplation, which disposes us to an encounter with the Lord, is a first step towards an "authentic ecological conversion, where the effects of our encounter with Jesus Christ become evident in our relationship with the world around us".



WORLD YOUTH DAY SEOUL, KOREA (27th July - 10th Aug. 2027) The Diocese of Meath invite young people (aged 19-35) to join with us for this gathering of young Catholics with Pope Leo! It is a long journey but one which will be extraordinary, as we share the joy of the Gospel in the Far East where many missionaries from Ireland have served and given their lives in the name of Jesus Christ! Our Days will include places the Columban Society of Dalgan Park, Navan are associated with. Only a limited number of seats available; anyone or parishes interested in joining with us for this world event are encouraged to book now! Cost €2,750 approx. (any reduction depending on flight availability yet to be confirmed). All expenses included. To find out more please check out the QR code or email: meathyouth@gmail.com. You are welcome to a Get2gether on Sun 4th Oct at 3pm in St. Anne's Resource Centre at St. Mary's Church, Navan, Co. Meath. C15 W0YX.



Featuring popular ballads, songs of hope & heritage. Concert will take place on **Fri 2nd Oct 2026 @ 8:30pm in St. Colmcille's Church, Kells.** Tickets €30 available from Kells Parish Office, online via eventbrite.ie and in the church after 12pm mass this Sunday. **Tickets are limited, get yours now!!**

Proceeds in aid of Blackwater Community First Responders & supporting the appeal for The Chapel in Dibor, Christ the King of Peace Parish, Joypurhat Diocese, Bangladesh.



Recently Decensed

Stephen McManus, O'Growney Tce;
Tom Neilson, Canada

Mass Intentions for Kells

Sat (Sept 19)	6.30pm	- Jimmy Rogers, Suffolk St - Frances O'Higgins; Also Michéal, Jean, Harry & Joan Campbell - Johnny, Marie & Gerry Madden, Cakestown; Also dec'd mems Madden Family
Sun (Sept 20)	9.30am	- Eileen Drew - Private Intention
	12.00pm	- Kieran Flanagan, Oldcastle Rd - Rose Curran, Cavan Rd; Also Paddy Curran
Mon (Sept 21)	10.00am	-
Tues (Sept 22)	10.00am	- Thanksgiving Intention
Wed (Sept 23)	10.00am	-
Thurs (Sept 24)	10.00am	-
Fri (Sept 25)	10.00am	-
Sat (Sept 26)	10.00am	ANNIVERSARIES OCCURRING
	6.30pm	- Kevin & Loretta Gargan, Maudlin Rd - Tommy Monaghan; Also Susan & Paul Monaghan - Sean Monaghan, Carrick Lodge; Also Jim & Denis Brunnock, Cavan Rd - Tommy Smith, Rockfield Rd
Sun (Sept 27)	9.30am	-
	12.00pm	- Maureen Flood - Joseph Smith

Mass Intentions for Girley

Sun (Sept 20)	10.30am	-
Sun (Sept 27)	10.30am	- Bill, Bridie & Brenda Burke - Brigid McQuaid

COMMUNITY NOTICES: COFFEE MORNING IN AID OF THE IRISH CANCER SOCIETY TRANSPORT on Sat 26th Sept from 9am to 6pm at the home of Mary Fox - 31 Headfort Grove, Kells, A82 C1P3. All welcome. **A CALL TO LIVE FAITH FESTIVAL** on Sat 26th Sept in Belvedere. This day will be a chance to listen afresh to the words of Jesus on a variety of subjects through experienced and passionate speakers. Visit www.belvedere-house.ie or follow us on Facebook. **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBANUS** Church Gate Collection at weekend masses 26 / 27 Sept. We appreciate your support. **BRIDGE CLASS FOR BEGINNERS** Learn the rules and how to play in a relaxed environment in the Parish Hall, Kells on Wednesdays at 10:30am, starting Wed 23 Sept. Contact Helen Butler on 0878171952 / helen.athboy@gmail.com. **VACANCY: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, ACCORD** We are the national agency of the Catholic Church in Ireland providing marriage preparation, relationship counselling and relationship education services across 25 counties. We are currently recruiting for the position of Executive Director. For further info contact Forvis Mazars execrecruit@mazars.ie/014494400. **KELLS MUSICAL SOCIETY** invites you to join us for our 50th anniversary Pantomime THE SNOW QUEEN Rehearsals begin TUES 6 Oct. Enrolment for children at 7pm. Enrolment – script reading and info for adults and teens at 8pm in Old Eureka School Hall. So come along and get involved in our special celebration panto. All very welcome. Contact John 0872079557 Find us on facebook. See you there! **EUREKA SECONDARY SCHOOL** 'Open Night' is on Thurs, Sept 24th, between 5pm and 7pm for 5th & 6th class girls and their families. **ST. CIARAN'S C.S.** Open Night Invitation to 6th class primary girls and boys and their parents/guardian on Wed 30th Sept 2026, 5.30pm — 7.30pm The Principal, Cara McLoughlin will give a talk at 5.30pm followed by tour of school and subject information. This is an opportunity to view the wide range of subject options and modern educational facilities available to prospective pupils

COLLECTIONS (Kells & Girley)

Plate Collection : €1810 Weekly Env: €1366 Offerings: €150

Thank you to all who contribute, count & collect.

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