



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



SUNDAY 23RD AUGUST 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

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CEMETERY SUNDAY 2026 A big thank you to everyone who assisted in preparing our Parish Cemeteries and in the devotions. It is greatly appreciated. We pray for the happy repose of all our faithful departed buried in our cemeteries and encourage everyone to keep these sacred places with fitting respect for our beloved dead. A big thanks for the cuppa provided in Girley Hall.

Blessing of the Graves will take place in St. Raed's Cemetery, Girley this Sunday 23rd August after 10:30am Mass.

THE IRISH SYNODAL PATHWAY: THE KEY QUESTION What is God asking of the Church in Ireland at this time? This question has been the focal point from the very beginning of the Irish Synodal Pathway. No one person has the answer; the goal is to discern together what God is asking of us as a Church. How do we discern the voice of the Lord together? The Irish Synodal Pathway has endeavoured to do this on a national level by distilling and synthesizing what was heard through local consultations that took place across the country. The answers to this question will hopefully give a clear, unified direction for the Catholic Church in Ireland. **WHAT HAS BEEN HEARD SO FAR?** The Irish Synodal Pathway has discerned one main focal point and seven key priority areas after its extensive consultation process. The focus that emerged is the centrality of Baptism as the foundation of the Christian life and mission, and the key to the vitality of communities of faith. The seven key priority areas are Belonging, Co-responsibility and Lay Ministry, Family, Formation and Catechesis, Healing, Women, and Youth. There is a clear call for renewal. Above all, God is asking the Church to adopt through the synodal process, a permanent culture of prayerful listening, dialogue, and walking together in faith going forward. Read more: www.dioceseofmeath.ie/synod



DEFIBRILLATOR With the kind assistance of the Blackwater Community First Responders, a new defibrillator has been provided for St. Colmcille's Church and installed in the front entrance porch. We kindly ask parishioners to become familiar with where it is in case of any emergency.

AN EVENING WITH
THE THREE TENORS
IRELAND'S GREATEST VOICES
DIRECT FROM THE NATIONAL CONCERT HALL

TICKETS €30
AVAILABLE FROM KELLS PARISH OFFICE
ONLINE VIA EVENTBRITE.IE

SPECIAL GUESTS *Kells Celtic Choir*

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 and also online via eventbrite.ie.

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.



Mass Intentions for Kells

Sat (Aug 22)	6.30pm	- Brigid Cassidy, Taylor Hall (MM) - Kathleen Murray, Irishtown, Balrath (1st Ann) - Margaret McKenna, Maudlin Rd (1st Ann) - Kraig Oliver McGovern, Headfort Grove - Paddy & Teresa Brady, Rosmeen
Sun (Aug 23)	9.30am	- Edward, Margaret & Peter Duffy, Boolies
	12.00pm	- Sean Harten - Julia & Peter McManus - Rosemary Carry - Anthony, Mary, Kieran & Terence Daly also Mary Reilly, Kilmainham
Mon (Aug 24)	10.00am	-
Tues (Aug 25)	10.00am	-
Wed (Aug 26)	10.00am	-
Thurs (Aug 27)	10.00am	- Garda Mark Mulligan & Garda Martin Reilly
Fri (Aug 28)	10.00am	-
Sat (Aug 29)	10.00am	ANNIVERSARIES OCCURRING
	6.30pm	- Tony Brodigan - Raymond Reilly & dec'd mems Reilly Family
Sun (Aug 30)	9.30am	- Anna Flood, Balrath Rd (MM) - John Quinlan, Kilmainham
	12.00pm	- Eamon Cooke, Mill Lane (MM) - Mary Jane Nixon, The Grove, Farrell St - Rory Hanlon - Gretta Hughes, Balrath Rd

Mass Intentions for Girley

Sun (Aug 23)	10.30am	- For All buried in Girley Cemeteries
Sun (Aug 30)	10.30am	- Ann & Sean D'arcy

SOMETHING TO CONSIDER: In celebrating the Sacred Liturgies of the Church various vessels, vestments, liturgical books etc. are used. Symbols and ritual blend with our prayer and worship as Faith Community before God. Often parishioners like to dedicate a contribution to these vestments etc. in thanksgiving or in memory of deceased family. If a parishioner so wishes at anytime to do this, such a contribution would be much appreciated.



PADUA & ASSISI Celebrating the Franciscan Jubilee Year, Bishop Tom will lead this diocesan pilgrimage 26 Sept. for 5 nights. Bookings and enquiries JWT Travel Tel: 01 2410800 Email: info@joewalshstours.ie. More detailed day-to-day itinerary is available www.dioceseofmeath.ie/pilgrimage-way



POOR CLARES GALWAY Half-Day Retreat for women 18-40 with Women's spirituality speaker Louise Mc Guinness, on Sun 6th Sept from 2pm to 6pm. For more information and to register: <https://cherisheddaughters.eventbrite.ie>

COMMUNITY NOTICES: ACCORA ORCHESTRA: Registration is NOW OPEN! Classes in Mullagh, Co. Cavan start this Sept and are available for students from Junior Infants to adults. Secure your place today by contacting us on 087 784 2430 or www.accoraorchestra.com. **MOYNALTY STEAM THRESHING MUSEUM** Open Day on Sun 23 Aug, 12pm-4pm for Heritage Week. All welcome. (A82 H4X5)

COLLECTIONS (Kells & Girley)

Plate Collection : €1510

Weekly Env: €990

Offerings: €202

Thank you to all who contribute, count & collect.

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