



CHURCH OF ST. COLMCILLE KELLS
CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION GIRLEY
SUNDAY 23rd NOVEMBER 2025



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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CATHEDRAL OF CHRIST THE KING To celebrate the Feast, 40 Hours Adoration is being held over this weekend concluding with Solemn Vespers and Benediction at 4pm on Sunday 23rd November with Bishop Alan Mc Guckian SJ, Bishop of Down and Connor, as homilist. It can also be viewed live on www.mullingarparish.ie.



ADVENT BEGINS NEXT WEEK At home perhaps engage with your children or grandchildren in preparing an advent wreath or having an advent calendar to count down the days of Advent until it is time to celebrate Jesus' birthday! Let us all think of how we might make these weeks of Advent a fitting spiritual journey in preparation for Christmas.



ORDINATION Rev. Anthony Kerr will be ordained a priest on Saturday 29th November at 3 pm in the Cathedral of Christ the King, Mullingar by Bishop Thomas Deenihan, Bishop of Meath and he will celebrate his First Mass of Thanksgiving in St Mary's Church, Navan Co Meath on Sunday 30th November at 3pm. This is a very special celebration in the life of Anthony, his parents Patrick and Ester, his family, his native parish of Navan, and for the Diocese of Meath. All are most welcome to attend these ceremonies.



THE SYCAMORE PROGRAMME continues this Monday 24th November at 7:30pm in the Headfort Arms Hotel. This is being provided free. Come and see what it is like. If possible, you might kindly let Kells Parish Office know of your attendance by 2pm Monday 24th November.

CHRISTMAS CARDS FROM KELLS Special Christmas Cards are available from the Parish Office from Wednesday for €1 per card. Those whom you send these cards to will be included in the Masses offered in the Parish during the Octave of the Christmas Season.

DILEXI TE Pope Leo XIV on the Feast of St. Francis, 4th October 2025, published his first Apostolic Exhortation *Dilexi Te* - "I have loved you". It is a work which Pope Francis had started following on from *Dilexit Nos* published in 2024. These texts are available online www.vatican.va. If anyone would like to order these texts, please contact the Parish Office. This declaration of love, taken from the Book of Revelation, reflects the inexhaustible mystery that Pope Francis reflected upon in the Encyclical *Dilexit Nos* on the human and divine love of the heart of Jesus Christ. There we saw how Jesus identified himself "with the lowest ranks of society" and how, with his love poured out to the end, he confirms the dignity of every human being, especially when "they are weak, scorned, or suffering." As we contemplate Christ's love, "we too are inspired to be more attentive to the sufferings and needs of others, and confirmed in our efforts to share in his work of liberation as instruments for the spread of his love."

Recently Decensed

Chrissie McInerney, Dublin & formerly of Carnaross

Mass Intentions for Kells

- Sat (Nov 22) 6.30pm - Kay Matthews, St. Oliver Plunkett Rd (MM)
- Denis McCarthy, Rockfield Rd
- Sinéad Flattery, Grangegoddan
- Anna & Patsy Mooney, Also Kenneth & Peter Mooney
- Jim McKenna
- Kevin Nulty;
Also Gerard Costello & dec'd mems Nulty, Smith & Costello Families
- Sun (Nov 23) 9.30am - Missa Pro Populo
12.00pm - Ruth Carr, Newrath View (MM)
- Phil Smyth, Maple Drive (MM)
- Sam Teelan, Cherry Hill Green (MM)
- Paddy & Rose Curran
- Deceased Priests of the Parish
- Mon (Nov 24) - Donor's Intention
- Tues (Nov 25) 10.00am - Dec'd mems. St. Colmcille's Credit Union, Kells
- Thurs (27 Nov) 10.00am - Pat McGovern;
Also dec'd mems McGovern Family, Carrick St & Climber Hall
- Sat (Nov 29) 10.00am - *Anniversaries Occurring*
6.30pm - Eileen McKenna (née McGrane)
- Denis McGovern, Cavan Rd
- Sylvia Farrelly, Cherryhill
- Johnny & Kathleen O'Rourke
- Sun (Nov 30) 9.30am - Missa Pro Populo
12.00pm - Geraldine Carry, Fairgreen
- Brendan Doyle
- Mollie, Jack & David Walsh
- John Lawrence

Mass Intentions for Girley

- Sun (Nov 23) 10.30am - Margaret McGuinness & Dec'd mems McGuinness & Quirke Families
- Noel Hughes



INVITATION TO JOIN ST. COLMCILLE'S CHURCH CHOIR Our choir provides beautiful music to enhance the liturgy at the 12 noon Sunday Mass and at other parish celebrations and ceremonies throughout the year. Membership is open to all adults who love to sing or play an instrument. We are especially seeking male and female voices and trained flautist and violinist. Choir Practice on Wednesdays, 7pm-8:30pm in St. Colmcille's Church, Kells. If you would like to join, please complete form available at doors of the church and return to the sacristy or Kells Parish Office.



VINCENT de PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL

The annual church gate collection for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will take place after all Masses on Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th December 2025. All donations big or small are greatly appreciated. The Society is very grateful for all your support over the years which enables it to help those most in need in our community.



Can you spare an hour on Saturday Nov 29th at 10am to help clean Girley Church and grounds?
All help greatly appreciated.



COLLECTIONS (Kells & Girley)

Plate : €1723 Offerings: €270 Weekly Env: €1330
Thank you to all who contribute, count & collect.

Kilmainham €3,100 Handball €300
Gaeil Colmcille €5,200
Drumbaragh €9,800

