



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



SUNDAY 24TH MAY 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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PENTECOST As we celebrate Pentecost and the conclusion of the Easter Season let us reflect upon these words addressed by Pope Leo last Saturday to a group of Confirmation teenagers from Genoa.

“One of the greatest joys for a bishop – in all dioceses, I think – is to celebrate Confirmation, because it is truly the gift of the Holy Spirit.

[] And the Holy Spirit is with us in a special way next Sunday, when we celebrate Pentecost: the memorial of the experience of the first disciples, the apostles, who receive the Holy Spirit to then go on to proclaim the Gospel, to proclaim the love of God.

And you will all take part in this mission, because we are all sent: to your families, to your friends, to all people. And you must be a living witness to the Spirit who dwells in us. So, whilst conferring Confirmation is one of the greatest joys for a bishop, there is another aspect that is rather sad. It is that sometimes, when the bishop confers Confirmation—the gift of the Holy Spirit—you never see the young people again! They disappear from the parish. And in this regard, I would ask: pay particular attention to one of the gifts of the Holy Spirit, known as *perseverance* []; may you persevere in the faith; may you return to the parish — there are so many activities, so many opportunities—but above all in the life of faith, because Jesus Christ wants to walk with you, with each one of you, and with all of you in community, which is so important. We do not live our faith alone; we live it together. And forming these bonds of friendship and community is a way of living out perseverance as disciples of Jesus.”

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful. And kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And you will renew the face of the earth.

Lord, by the light of the Holy Spirit you have taught the hearts of your faithful.

In the same Spirit help us to relish what is right and always rejoice in your consolation.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

CEMETERY DRAW - THURSDAY 28TH MAY 2026

Cards / lines are available from the Parish Office tel: 9240213,
e-mail: info@kellsparish.ie

The draw will be held **this** Thursday at 2pm in the Parish Office.

There are 10 names on each card, €15 per person/line.

**All cards must be returned, whether completed or not,
by 3pm Wednesday 27th May.**

PRIZES FOR DRAW

1 PRIZE OF	€500
5 PRIZES OF	€200 EACH
8 PRIZES OF	€100 EACH
6 PRIZES OF	€50 EACH
4 PROMOTERS' PRIZES OF	€50 EACH

Recently Deceased

Kieran Fox, Headfort Grove; Monsignor Michael Cooke, Cavan

Mass Intentions for Kells

- Sat (May 23) 6.30pm - Frank Motherway, Headfort Park (MM)
- Christopher & Catherine Carry
- Bridie Morgan, Kilmainham (1st Ann.); Also Tommy Morgan
- Kasie Curran & Anthony Connor
- Sun (May 24) 9.30am - Ollie Tormay, Cavan Rd & Moycullen Galway;
Also Dec'd mems Tormay & Luddy Families
- 12.00pm - Alfie Farrelly, O'Growney Tce (MM)
- Colm Madden, Kilmainham
- Thomas Sheils
- Tom Lynch, Fr McCullen Pk
- Mon (May 25) 10.00am - Dec'd mems Traynor Family, Church View
- Tues (May 26) 10.00am - Joseph & Josephine Flanagan; Dec'd mems Flanagan Family
- Wed (May 27) 10.00am - Dec'd mems McGovern Family, Carrick St & Climber Hall
- Thurs (May 28) 10.00am - Special Intention
- Fri (May 29) 10.00am -
- Sat (May 30) 10.00am ANNIVERSARIES OCCURRING
- 6.30pm - Shane McGeough, Headfort Grove
- Dec'd mems Heeney Family, St. Colmcille's Villas
- Mary Brigid Reilly
- Ellen Smyth, O'Growney Tce
- Sun (May 31) 9.30am - Veronica & Rita McCrystal, Church St
- 12.00pm - Margaret Newman, Kilmainham (MM)

Mass Intentions for Girley

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MEATH DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES. SEPT 2026 The Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, led by Bishop Deenihan, is scheduled to depart on 8th Sept 2026. Pilgrims have the option of selecting a 4 or 5 night stay in hotel, with fares starting at €849 for full board. Booking forms can be obtained through Joe Walsh Tours. For further inquiries, please contact them at Tel: 01-2410800 or visit www.joewalstours.ie.
YOUNG ADULTS PRAYERFUL RETREAT (18-40 YRS) at Dalgan Park, Navan on 12-14 June 2026. Prayer, Holy Mass, friendship in the faith, Eucharistic Adoration, inspiring talks, confession / personal chat if desired, lovely walks. Cost: Donation. Contact: Sr Una 090 6481666 or Michael 086 2453123 email: youthretreats@gmail.com



PILGRIMAGE TO ASSISI & ROME COMMEMORATING THE 800TH ANNIVERSARY OF ST. FRANCIS' DEATH 2nd - 7th June 2026 visiting also the Shrines of St. Clare & St Carlos Acutis and also the grave of Pope Francis. There are a couple of places still available on the pilgrimage. For full details please tel: 012410800 or www.joewalstours.ie.

COMMUNITY NOTES: KELLS THEATRE SCHOOL's 25th end of year annual production takes place on 23rd May at 7pm in Old Eureka School Hall Navan Rd and it is filled with over 60 talented children and teens. This wonderful show filled with great dance medley routines, solo and duet singing, comedy sketches and for Act 2 staging a mini musical 'The Little Mermaid'. Adults €12 Children and Seniors €10. Family ticket €40 Tickets at the door. More info on our facebook page -Kells Theatre School. See you there and thanks for your great support!!!

COLLECTIONS (Kells & Girley)

Plate Collection : €2109 Weekly Env: €1648 Offerings: €60

Thank you to all who contribute, count & collect.

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