



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

**SUNDAY 29TH MARCH 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**

**Parochial House & Parish Office: 046/9240213;**

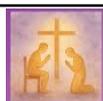
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**A FEW WORDS TO PONDER FROM POPE FRANCIS' HOMILY PALM SUNDAY LAST YEAR!**

Jesus' passion becomes compassion whenever we hold out our hand to those who feel they cannot go on, when we lift up those who have fallen, when we embrace those who are discouraged. Brothers and sisters, in order to experience this great miracle of mercy, let us decide how we are meant to carry our own cross during this Holy Week: if not on our shoulders, in our hearts. And not only our cross, but also the cross of those who suffer all around us; perhaps even the cross of some unknown person whom chance — but is it really chance? — has placed on our way. Let us prepare for the Lord's paschal mystery by becoming each of us, for one another, a Simon of Cyrene.

**GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION** In praying for peace in the land of Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace, we remember in a special way the small but vibrant Christian communities in Palestine. As usual on Good Friday at all the ceremonies a special collection is taken for the support of the Christian community who remain in the Holy Land. This year let us make a generous contribution which will greatly support, through the Christians there, all in desperate need in Gaza and the WestBank.



**EASTER RECONCILIATION SERVICE** in St. Colmcille's Church  
 this Monday, 30th March at 7pm. All welcome.



**BUS TO CHRISM MASS** in the Cathedral of Christ the King Mullingar leaving Kells Church at **4:45pm** this Wednesday 1st April.

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD FOR APRIL (weekend Masses)**

**Sat 6.30pm: Seamus Keaveny**  
**Sun 9.30am: Anne Byrne Sun 12.00pm: Anne Smyth**

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD FOR APRIL (10am weekday Masses)**

**Marie Gibney (30 Mar - 4 Apr); Ann Carolan (6-11 Apr);**  
**John Murphy (13-18 Apr); John Griffin (20-25 Apr); Ger O'Dea (27 Apr - 2 May)**



**SPECIAL MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST- APRIL (Weekend Masses) GROUP 1**



**EASTER OFFERINGS NEXT WEEKEND**

**Kindly use the white envelope from your Box**  
**or take an Easter Offerings Envelope available at doors of the church.**  
**Alternatively any white envelope marked Easter Offerings.**

**EASTER MASS BOUQUETS** now available from the Parish Office.

Recently Decensed

Padraig Burke, Bohermeen; Maureen Monaghan, Drumbaragh

Mass Intentions for Kells

Sat (Mar 28)	6.30pm	- Eddie Higgins, Drumbaragh (MM) - Malcolme Tanner, Birmingham - Nan McMahan, Hermitage Glen - Maureen & Cyril Cole
Palm Sunday	9.30am	- Dec'd mems O'Mahony, Smyth, Reilly, Clarke & Carberry Families
	12.00pm	- Kathleen Brady, Ard na Greine (1st Ann) - Rose & Jack McCabe, Maudlin St - Patrick Carty - Brigid & Michael McGrane, Castle St
Mon (Mar 30)	10.00am	- Donor's Intention - Michael & Yvette McCabe
	7.00pm	RECONCILIATION SERVICE
Tues (Mar 30)	10.00am	- Donor's Intention
Spy Wed (Apr 1)	10.00am	- Michael Mac Aodha
	7.00pm	CHRISM MASS
<b>Holy Thursday</b>	10.00am	MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH
	7.30pm	MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
<b>Good Friday</b>	10.00am	MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH
	3.00pm	THE PASSION OF OUR LORD
	8.00pm	WAY OF THE CROSS
<b>Holy Saturday</b>	10.00am	MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH
	12-1pm	CONFESSIONS
	9.00pm	EASTER VIGIL
<b>Easter Sunday</b>	9.30am	<i>For the People of the Parish</i>
	12.00pm	<i>For the People of the Parish</i>

Mass Intentions for Girley

Palm Sunday	10.30am	
Good Friday	7.00pm	THE PASSION OF OUR LORD
Easter Sunday	10.30am	<i>For the People of the Parish</i>

**COMMUNITY NOTES: BOOK OF MEMORIES CAFÉ** Thurs 2nd Apr, 12pm - 2pm in Eureka House, Kells. For people living with dementia, their family and friends. Free admission. Tea & Scones served. All Welcome. Contact No: 0871469624. **Lost pouch of darts** between St. Colmcilles Court and Newmarket St. If found, please contact Emma in Parish Office (0469240213). **BEGINNER BRIDGE LESSONS** will take place in Kells Parish Hall beginning 6th May at 7:30 pm, and continuing every Wed for 10 weeks until Jul 8th. The cost is €150 for the 10-week course and payable on 6th May. Suitable for complete beginners and all ages. Bridge is a life game — everyone is welcome. To book a place, please contact Helen on 087-817-1952. **LITTER PICK - KELLS LOCAL HEROES** Annual Good Friday Litter Pick on Friday 3rd April, meeting at the Credit Union at 10am. All welcome.



**PILGRIMAGE TO ASSISI & ROME COMMEMORATING THE 800TH ANNIVERSARY OF ST. FRANCIS' DEATH** "May the Lord give you peace". 2nd - 7th June 2026. An opportunity to experience the town of St. Francis, St. Claire, and the shrine of St. Carlo Acutis. Spiritual Director Fr. Mark English. For more details please tel: 012410800 or [www.joewalshstours.ie](http://www.joewalshstours.ie)

**ST. CARLO ACUTIS TEENAGERS RETREAT AT KNOCK SHRINE** (13-19 y/o) on Sun 19th Apr 2026, 11am - 2.30pm in the Prayer Centre. Retreat led by Fr. Patrick Cahill and Holy Family Mission. Limited number of places so must be pre-booked. Bus leaving Bohermeen Church at 7:30am. To book a place on bus contact Bridget on 0879700091.

COLLECTIONS (Kells & Girley)

Plate: €3149 Offerings: €25 Weekly Env: €1962 Thank you to all who contribute, count & collect.  
If you wish to contribute by online banking our details are: Kells Church; IE17BOFI90344525066479