



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



SUNDAY 30TH 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
Parish Secretary: Emma Woods Parish Office Hours: Mon - Thurs 10am - 3pm

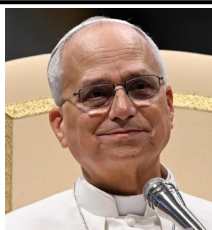
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THE IRISH SYNODAL PATHWAY: WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

So, where is all this heading? To date there have been different layers of the synodal journey, and people frequently ask where all of these discussions, reports, and working groups are actually leading us. We are approaching a major milestone. The National Synodal Assembly will take place on 17 October 2026. On that day, delegates from every diocese across the country will gather in County Meath to consider proposals, engage in communal discernment, and make practical recommendations for the Catholic Church in Ireland. As it draws near, let's keep this in the forefront of our prayers! Read more: www.dioceseofmeath.ie/synod



CELEBRATING HOLY MASS During the Wednesday General Audience in St. Peter's Basilica on August 26, Pope Leo XIV highlighted the importance of the liturgical reform enacted by the Second Vatican Council, which encouraged the faithful to participate more actively in the liturgy and enter into a deeper relationship with God. "The faithful 'cannot and must no longer remain silent and passive'" as "their physical presence cannot be reconciled with their spiritual absence,"[]. Pope Leo noted that these thoughts are echoed in point 48 of Sacrosanctum Concilium, which emphasized that the Church desired that the faithful not participate in the liturgy as "strangers or silent spectators," but rather "take part in the sacred action conscious of what they are doing, with devotion and full collaboration." In this way, they can "be drawn day by day into ever more perfect union with God and with each other, so that finally God may be all in all," the Constitution's text continued.



As the Summer is over we thank God for the holidays and seek His blessing and protection on all our children and staff as they begin and start back at our Parish Primary Schools. A special word of welcome to Orna Fox as the new principal of Drumbaragh N.S. and also we express our gratitude and best wishes to Sarah Clarke on her new appointment.



First Friday It is custom for priests to visit the sick and housebound with Holy Communion in every parish for the First Friday. It also provides an opportunity for the reception of the Sacraments of the Anointing of the Sick and Reconciliation. If you or a neighbour, relative or friend can no longer attend Mass due to sickness or old age please don't hesitate to contact the Parish Office to make arrangements for the priests to call.



MINISTERS OF THE WORD FOR SEPTEMBER (weekend Masses)

Sat 6.30pm: Maria Byrne

Sun 9.30am: Marie Gibney Sun 12.00pm: Síle Campbell

MINISTERS OF THE WORD FOR SEPTEMBER (10am weekday Masses)

Frances Monaghan (31 Aug - 5 Sept); Marie Gibney (7-12 Sept); Val Mulvany (14-19 Sept); Ann Moore (21-26 Sept); Mary Casey Kelly (28 Sept - 3 Oct)

SPECIAL MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST- SEPTEMBER (Weekend Masses) GROUP 3

Recently Decased

Bridget McQuaid (née Carpenter), Baffordstown, Balrath Rd; TJ McDonnell, Bohermeen
Martina Boylan (née Dennison), Maynooth & formerly Rockfield Rd (MM)

Mass Intentions for Kells

Sat (Aug 29)	6.30pm	- Tony Brodigan - Raymond Reilly & dec'd mems Reilly Family - Mary & Johnny McInerney, Gardenrath Rd
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
Mon (Aug 31)	10.00am	- May Lynch, Navan & Dec'd mems Lynch Family - Patrick Rourke, Gardenrath
Tues (Sept 1)	10.00am	- Special Intention
Wed (Sept 2)	10.00am	-
Thurs (Sept 3)	10.00am	-
First Fri (Sept 4)	10.00am	- Parish List of the Dead
Sat (Sept 5)	10.00am	SAINT PADRE PIO MASS (Rosary at 9:30am) - Michael Vaughan, Glasnevin & formerly Kells (MM)
	6.30pm	- Margaret Barboza, Mill Lane (MM) - PJ Quigley, Gardenrath - Philip Reilly, Taylor Hall - Seamus Smith, Rosmeen: Also Carmel Smith, Navan & Kells
Sun (Sept 6)	9.30am	-
	12.00pm	- Jack & Rose McCabe, Maudlin St.

Mass Intentions for Girley

Sun (Aug 30)	10.30am	- Ann & Sean D'arcy
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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](https://www.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.

PIONEERS OF MEATH DIOCESE: Afternoon of prayer and reflection will be held on Sun 6th Sept, 2-5pm at The Franciscan Friary, Multyfarnham. All pioneers are encouraged to attend.

COMMUNITY NOTICES: SNOOKER SCHOOL/CLUB, KELLS New Members Welcome - players of all ages and abilities, from complete beginners to experienced players. Junior Coaching Available; Adult Memberships; Friendly & Supportive Environment; Competitive and Social Snooker. Whether you're interested in learning the basics, improving your game, or competing in tournaments, we'd love to hear from you. Come along and see what Snooker School has to offer. Located at Eureka House, Kells. Contact 0876500250 or thesnookerschool@gmail.com.
KELLS THEATRE SCHOOL Enrolment is now under way for workshops in drama, singing, dance and creative storytelling and writing 6 to 16 years - with end of year production May 2027. The closing date for applications forms is Fri 11 Sept '26. Classes begin Wed 30 Sept at 4pm in Old Eureka School Hall, Navan Rd, Kells. Applications forms and information available from Kells John Grant email pantomimekells@gmail.com or ring 087 2079557.
KELLS MUSICAL SOCIETY Church gate annual collection next weekend of 5th and 6th Sept.

COLLECTIONS (Kells & Girley)

Plate Collection : €2014 Weekly Env: €1127 Offerings: €430

Thank you to all who contribute, count & collect.

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