



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



SUNDAY 5TH JULY 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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**ENCYCLICAL LETTER MAGNIFICA HUMANITAS OF HIS HOLINESS POPE LEO XIV
ON SAFEGUARDING THE HUMAN PERSON IN THE TIME OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE**

For AI to respect human dignity and truly serve the common good, responsibility must be clearly defined at every stage: from those who design and develop these systems to those who use them and rely on them for concrete decisions. In many cases, however, the internal processes leading to a result remain opaque, making it harder to assign responsibility and correct errors. This is where accountability becomes crucial: the possibility of identifying who must “account” for decisions, justify them, monitor them, and, when necessary, challenge them and remedy any harm caused.

Calling for prudence, rigorous evaluation and even, at times, a slower pace in adopting AI does not mean opposing progress; instead, it is an exercise of responsible care for the human family. This need is all the more urgent given the frequent imbalance between the speed of technological growth and the slower development of awareness, norms, safeguards and institutions capable of governing its effects. It is not enough to invoke ethics in the abstract; robust legal frameworks, independent oversight, informed users and a political system that does not abdicate its responsibility are required. Otherwise, change will be governed only by technocratic thinking and presented as necessary and inevitable, ultimately imposing rules shaped by those who control data, infrastructure and computing power.

We cannot be satisfied with merely calling for the moralization of machines — the so-called “alignment” of AI with human values — without also having the courage to insist on a further condition: the possibility of openly discussing the ethical frameworks involved and subjecting them to shared standards of social justice. Otherwise, those who control AI will impose their own moral vision, which will become the invisible infrastructure of these systems. A more moral AI is not enough if that morality is determined by a few. What is needed is a more active political involvement that is capable of slowing things down when everything is accelerating, and of protecting the opportunities for communities still to be able to participate and ask questions.



THROUGH BAPTISM WE WELCOME INTO OUR FAITH COMMUNITY:

Lottie Rose Murray



CONGRATULATIONS to Niamh Farrelly & Glenn Lyons who were married recently in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Girley. We offer them every blessing as they enter the sacrament of marriage.



CEMETERY SUNDAY DATES 2026

SUNDAY 16TH AUGUST

St. Colmcille's Cemetery, Kells & St John's Cemetery, Kells

SUNDAY 23RD AUGUST

St. Raed's Cemetery, Girley

Recently Decensed

Michael Foley, Hurdlestown; Joe Griffin, Westfield, Bective St;
Michael Briody, Clonabraney, Crossakiel

Mass Intentions for Kells

Sat (Jul 4)	6.30pm	- Seán Fox, Rodstown, Balrath (MM) - Paddy Grimes, Drumbaragh - Andrew Kennedy Jnr
Sun (Jul 5)	9.30am	-
	12.00pm	- Sean McConville (1st Ann); Also Johanna McConville - Oliver McQuillan, Headfort Grove - Noel Corrigan, Mountainpole; Also Richard, Eileen & Frank Corrigan
Mon (Jul 6)	10.00am	-
Tues (Jul 7)	10.00am	-
Wed (Jul 8)	10.00am	- Margaret Lynch, Trim
Thurs (Jul 9)	10.00am	-
Fri (Jul 10)	10.00am	- Baby Philip McCormack
Sat (Jul 11)	10.00am	ANNIVERSARIES OCCURRING
	6.30pm	- Gerry O'Reilly, Maghera, Virginia (MM) - Mary (Toss) Rourke; Also Michael (Speedy), Rory & baby Michael Rourke - Ciara Fox, Blackthorn Close
Sun (Jul 12)	9.30am	- Kevin & Nancy Smyth
	12.00pm	- Cella Cummins, Suffolk St (1st Ann) - John Tallon, Headfort Grove (1st Ann) - Dylan Corcoran, Blackthorn Close - Joe O'Rorke & dec'd mems O'Rorke Family, Castle St

Mass Intentions for Girley

Sun (Jul 5)	10.30am	-
Sun (Jun 12)	10.30am	-

MEATH DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGES



KNOCK takes place on Sunday 9th August. Anyone interested in going can book their free seat on the Parish Bus, please contact Emma in Kells Parish Office on 046-9240213 or email: info@kellsparish.ie. The bus will be leaving Kells Church at 8am.

PADUA & ASSISI Celebrating the Franciscan Jubilee Year, Bishop Deenihan will lead a diocesan pilgrimage to Padua & Assisi leaving on 26 Sept for 5 nights. Includes direct flights to/from Italy, transfers and tours, accommodation and half board. Cost €1,335. 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



LOURDES - The Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, led by Bishop Deenihan, is scheduled to depart on 8th September 2026. Pilgrims have the option of selecting a 4-night or 5-night stay. All participants will be accommodated in hotels, with fares starting at €849 for full board. Booking forms can be obtained through Joe Walsh Tours. For further info, please contact them at Tel: 01-2410800 or visit their website at www.joewalshstours.ie.



We welcome people who are on holidays here in Kells and hope they have an enjoyable stay in our locality.

COLLECTIONS (Kells & Girley)

Plate Collection : €2330 Weekly Env: €1431 Offerings: €125

Thank you to all who contribute, count & collect.

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