



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



SUNDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER 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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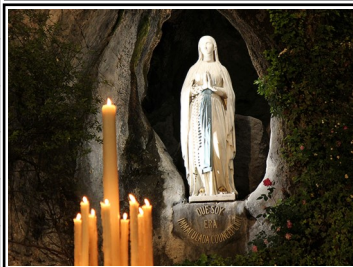


IMMERSION IN LIVING WATER

Ezekiel 47:9, 12

SEASON OF CREATION 2026 Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ, The Season of Creation is the annual Christian celebration to pray and respond together to the cry of Creation: the ecumenical family around the world unites to contemplate and care for our common home, the Oikos of God. The Season's "Celebration" begins on September 1, the day that several Christian denominations celebrate as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, and others celebrate as the Feast of Creation. It ends on October 4, the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi, who is beloved by many Christian denominations.

This year, we will unite around the theme "Living Water", with the symbol "Immersion in Living Water", inspired by Ezekiel 47:9 and 12. [] As a powerful statement to the importance of this ecumenical season of prayer and action for Creation, here are words from faith leaders of our Christian family, summoning us to this special season: "Season of Creation [is] an ecumenical initiative to be celebrated from 1 September to 4 October (...). Environmental justice – implicitly proclaimed by the prophets – can no longer be regarded as an abstract concept or a distant goal. It is an urgent need that involves much more than simply protecting the environment. For it is a matter of justice – social, economic and human. For believers it is also a duty born of faith, since the universe reflects the face of Jesus Christ, in whom all things were created and redeemed." **Join us at the picnic area by the River Blackwater on the Carnaross Road for a Season of Creation Prayer Service on Saturday 19th September at 2pm.**



LOURDES 2026 On Tuesday Fr. Mark will travel to Lourdes along with Bishop Tom and pilgrims from across the Meath Diocese for the annual pilgrimage to the Grotto. As usual you can join in the pilgrimage via the webcams on www.lourdes-france.org. Check out www.dioceseofmeath.ie for more info. The Pilgrimage Candle will be lit at the Grotto as an expression of the intentions of all the people of our diocese. We are delighted to again have a group of students from Eureka assist with the sick and elderly. Please keep all pilgrims in your prayers as they will you.



WORLD YOUTH DAY SEOUL, KOREA (27th July - 10th Aug. 2027) The Diocese of Meath invite young people (aged 19-35) to join with us for this gathering of young Catholics with Pope Leo! It is a long journey but one which will be extraordinary, as we share the joy of the Gospel in the Far East where many missionaries from Ireland have served and given their lives in the name of Jesus Christ! Our Days will include places the Columban Society of Dalgan Park, Navan are associated with. Only a limited number of seats available;

anyone or parishes interested in joining with us for this world event are encouraged to book now! Cost €2,750 approx. (any reduction depending on flight availability yet to be confirmed). All expenses included. To find out more please check out the QR code, see posters in your parish church or email: meathyouth@gmail.com. You are welcome to a Get2gether on Sunday 4th October at 3pm in St. Anne's Resource Centre on the grounds of St. Mary's Church, Navan, Co. Meath. C15 W0YX.



Mass Intentions for Kells

Sat (Sept 5)	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.
Mon (Sept 7)	10.00am	-
Tues (Sept 8)	10.00am	-
Wed (Sept 9)	10.00am	-
Thurs (Sept 10)	10.00am	-
Fri (Sept 11)	10.00am	- Irene, Joan & Girlie Stewart, Clontarf
Sat (Sept 12)	10.00am	ANNIVERSARIES OCCURRING
	6.30pm	- Clare McGovern, St Brigid's Tce; Also Willie & Rose McGovern - Ronnie McManus, Dun Laoghaire & Kells
Sun (Sept 13)	9.30am	-
	12.00pm	- Pat, Mary & Patsy Jackson, Hurdlestown; Also Phyllis Flanagan (née Jackson) & Mary Coleman (née Jackson) - Nelly & Terry Murphy, Cavan Rd

Mass Intentions for Girley

Sun (Sept 6)	10.30am	-
Sun (Sept 13)	10.30am	- Joe & Eileen Fox, Girley; Also dec'd mems Fox & Mulvany Families



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 event-brite.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.



ST FINNIAN'S COMMUNITY PATHWAY PROJECT: Lecture by Dr Hannah MacAuliffe in St Finnian's Parish Centre, Clonard on Thurs 17 Sept, 7.30pm. Pilgrimage Walk – Sun 20th Sept. Plus more happening. For further info see www.kinnegadparish.ie/st-finnians-pathway

COMMUNITY NOTICES: Kells & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY visit to Poppy gardens guided tour Oldcastle and Loughcrew Gardens on Wed 19 Sept. Coach leaves Kells 9.30 sharp. Non members welcome. Early booking with Mary McG 0879755495 Or Violet McC 0876560909. **GENTLE CHAIR AND MAT YOGA CLASS** In Kells Resource Centre Thurs starting Sept 10th. For more info contact Denise on 0861631909. **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. Applications forms and information available from Kells John Grant email pantomimekells@gmail.com or ring 0872079557. **Kells LIVELY CITIZENS CLUB** Trip to Cork on 14 - 17 Sept. Bus leaving Fair Green Kells at 10am. **Kells BRIDGE CLUB** Returns Thurs 10 Sept at 7:20pm at Eureka House. New members welcome. **DAY TRIP TO LOUGH DERG** on Sun 20 Sept. For more info / booking please phone 0879881780. **CONNECT CAFE MORNING** returns on Fri 11 Sept 10am-12.30pm and will run weekly in Kells Family Resource Centre. We are inviting community members to come along and enjoy tea/coffee, refreshments and make connections. Everyone is welcome. **THE IRISH CANCER SOCIETY** is seeking compassionate volunteer drivers to join our pool of drivers. As a volunteer driver you would be bringing patients undergoing chemotherapy to the hospital and back home for their treatment. If you can spare 2 days per month, have a valid driving licence, and a safe, reliable vehicle, you are the perfect candidate to make a significant difference. For more info, please contact Monica or Emily at volunteer@irishcancer.ie.

COLLECTIONS (Kells & Girley)

Plate Collection : €1864 Weekly Env: €1047 Offerings: €60

Thank you to all who contribute, count & collect.

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