



**CHURCH OF ST. COLMCILLE KELLS**  
**CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION GIRLEY**  
**SUNDAY 7th DECEMBER 2025**



**Masses Kells - Saturday Vigil 6.30pm; Sunday 9.30am & 12noon**  
**Girley - Sunday 10.30am**

**Weekdays - 10am Confessions after the 10am on Saturdays**

**Baptisms - Sundays after 12pm Mass in Kells and after 10.30am Mass in Girley**

**Priests of the Parish: Fr. Mark English PP, Fr. Declan Kelly CC & Fr. John Byrne AP**

**Parish Secretaries: Emma Woods & Julie Flattery**

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**ADVENT** During these Advent Days as we decorate our homes, as we enjoy the increasing excitement of our children, as we share charity, as we engage with our friends and colleagues in festive cheer, let us take time to focus upon the greatest Christmas gift God has given us...the gift of peace, of healing, of forgiveness, of love, this precious gift of Jesus in our lives. Remember why Jesus was born and invite others within your family and circle of friends to come and prepare for His Birthday with some time of Adoration and Confession. Let go of stuff which has encroached upon your relationship with God and those closest to you! Seek the mercy of God and be enriched with the gift of God's love and understanding.

***Come on Monday 15th at 7pm and celebrate before the Blessed Sacrament this Reconciliation Jesus Saviour of the World, offers unconditionally to you and me and all people!***

**8TH DEC. - FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

Mass: St. Colmcille's Church, Kells	10am
Church of the Immaculate Conception, Girley	7pm

**14TH DEC. - GAUDETE SUNDAY:**

Bring the crib figure of the baby Jesus for blessing at Masses ***next weekend***

**15TH DEC. - HOLY HOUR WITH ADORATION AND CONFESSIONS**

St. Colmcille's Church, Kells	7-8pm
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**21ST DEC. - CAROL SERVICE BY CANDLELIGHT St. Colmcille's, Kells 6:30pm**

<b>CHRISTMAS EVE</b>	St. Colmcille's Church, Kells:	5:30pm & 8.30pm
	Church of the Immaculate Conception, Girley:	7.00pm

<b>CHRISTMAS DAY</b>	St. Colmcille's Church, Kells:	9.30am; 12.00pm
	Church of the Immaculate Conception, Girley:	10.30am



**PARISH ENVELOPES 2026** Envelope boxes will be left on tables in the room at the front porch of the church, organised in alphabetical order, for parishioners to collect.

**Please only collect your own box due to GDPR.**

**If anyone wishes to register for a box, please contact the parish office.**

**ALTAR SERVERS CONSENT FORMS** are now in the sacristy for collecting. If parents could please complete and return these to the Sacristy / Parish Office at your earliest convenience.

**THE SYCAMORE PROGRAMME** continues this Monday 8th December at 7:30pm in the Headfort Arms Hotel. This is being provided free. Come and see what it is like. If possible, you might kindly let Kells Parish Office know of your attendance by 2pm Monday 8th December.

**This weekend we welcome to our masses the children as they continue on their Sacramental Journey in preparation for their Confirmation and First Holy Communion.**



**CHRISTMAS CARDS FROM KELLS** Special Christmas Cards are available from the Parish Office / Sacristy for €1 per card. Those whom you send these cards to will be included in the Masses offered in the Parish during the Octave of the Christmas Season.

### Recently Deceased

Br Leo Judge, formerly of CBS, Kells;

Annie Smith, Ard na Greine

#### Mass Intentions for Kells

Sat (Dec 6)	6.30pm	- Joseph Carberry - Darren Rogers, Moynalty Rd - Jim McGovern, Rodstown - Johnny Smith, Kenlis Crescent - Michael & Mary Vaughan, St. Colmcille Villas
Sun (Dec 7)	9.30am	- Sean Muldoon, Headfort Place
	12.00pm	- Maeve Cameron, Headfort Woods (MM) - Donncha Fox (MM) - Rita Fortin, Sagina, Michigan (1st Ann); Also Deirdre Fortin, Mona, Tom & Ciaran Fox and dec'd mems Fox Family - Pdraig Lydon - Kenneth Bell - Bernard Yore, Rockfield Rd
Mon (Dec 8)	10.00am	FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
Tues (Dec 9)	10.00am	- James & Kathleen Cannon, Church Lane
Wed (Dec 10)	10.00am	- Dec'd mems Cole & Coyne Families
Sat (Dec 13)	10.00am	- ANNIVERSARIES OCCURRING
	6.30pm	- Pat Berrill
Sun (Dec 14)	9.30am	- Missa Pro Populo
	12.00pm	- John Doyle, Climber Hall (1st Ann) - Mary Shortiss, Headfort Grove (1st Ann); Also Patrick Shortiss - Maura Reddy, Cavan Rd - Liam Hegarty, Philadelphia - Sam Black, Kilmainham

#### Mass Intentions for Girley

Sun (Dec 7)	10.30am	- Missa Pro Populo
Mon (Dec 8)	7.00pm	FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
Sun (Dec 14)	10.30am	- Missa Pro Populo

**#HAVEYOURSAY ABOUT YOUR CATHOLIC SCHOOL** For Attention of Parents of children attending Primary Schools or have yet to start: The Department of Education is currently conducting a Primary School Survey that will determine the future provision of Primary Schools and crucially could lead to lasting changes in your school. In simple, direct terms, you are being asked if you want your school to stay a Catholic school or if you want that to change. Don't leave it to others, have your say before 16 December 2025. See - [gov.ie/primaryschoolssurvey](http://gov.ie/primaryschoolssurvey)



#### VINCENT de PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL

The annual church gate collection for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is taking place after all Masses this weekend (Sat 6th & Sun 7th Dec).

All donations big or small are greatly appreciated. The Society is very grateful for all your support over the years which enables it to help those most in need in our community.  
We would also like to wish you every blessing for Christmas and the New Year.



**COMMUNITY NOTES: KELLS SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS PARTY** Hosted by the Knights of Columbanus. You are invited to a Christmas Dinner in the Headfort Arms Hotel on Sun 4th Jan 2026 @ 1pm. Kells Silver Band & entertainment. RSVP Michael 0872224724 or Paddy 0879144936. **THANK YOU FROM EVERYONE FROM TEAM HOPE** 273 boxes left Kells for Albania. **FERTILITY CARE CENTRES OF IRELAND** An Introduction to Natural Family Planning & Fertility Care will take place in St. Anne's Resource Centre, Navan on Thursday 11th December at 7:30pm. All welcome. For info contact 085 182 0118. **ST COLMCILLES (KELLS) CREDIT UNION** are inviting all members to our AGM which will take place at 8pm on Thurs Dec 11th in the Kenlis Suite, Headfort Arm Hotel in Kells. Refreshments and prize draws for attendees on the night. **ST. COLUMBA'S CHURCH CAROL SERVICE** is on Sun Dec 15 @ 4.00pm. All welcome.

#### COLLECTIONS (Kells & Girley)

Plate : €1816 Offerings: €135 Weekly Env: €1411  
Thank you to all who contribute, count & collect.

Kilmainham €3,300 Handball €500  
Gaeil Colmcille €5,500  
Drumbaragh €10,000

