



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



SUNDAY 7TH JUNE 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 HUMANITARIAS OF HIS HOLINESS POPE LEO XIV
ON SAFEGUARDING THE HUMAN PERSON IN THE TIME OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE**

1. Humanity, created by God in all its grandeur, is today facing a pivotal choice: either to construct a new Tower of Babel or to build the city in which God and humanity dwell together. Each generation inherits the task of shaping its own era, of guiding history to become a place where the dignity of every person is safeguarded, justice is promoted and fraternity is made possible. Yet every era also runs the risk of creating an inhumane and more unjust world. Whenever humanity is in danger of marring its true identity, we Christians lift our eyes to the Incarnate God, knowing that it is “only in the mystery of the Word made flesh that the mystery of humanity truly becomes clear.” [1] In Jesus Christ, this humanity in its grandeur becomes the Way, the Truth and the Life, opening the path for each of us to grow toward fullness.

2. Founded on Christ, the living stone, we experience the powerful and mysterious action of the Holy Spirit, and we believe that every authentic human effort to cooperate with him for the good will be blessed by our heavenly Father, in whom we place our hope. For this reason, we can diligently contribute to every initiative that builds a more just world, and we can call others to collaborate in promoting the integral development of every human being. We wish to engage in dialogue with all men and women of our time, with whom we share in the events, questions and aspirations of humanity. [2] Together with them, we seek to identify new paths for the common good and for promoting a dignified life for all. Indeed, openness to dialogue is an integral part of the Church’s vocation because, constituted in Christ as “a sacrament... of communion with God and of the unity of the entire human race,” [3] she recognizes history as the place where the Gospel challenges and directs human experience.



As the children collect their last stickers and conclude their sacramental journey having celebrated their Confirmation and First Holy Communion we hope and pray they will continue to grow in the faith with their families and Parish Community.

Prayer Before a Test or Exam

Come Holy Spirit with all Your gifts and graces. Help me to recall the facts I have studied for this test/exam. Guide my thinking process and fill my mind with the ideas and concepts I need to know in order to do well. Illuminate my mind and make clear the answers I am supposed to give for each question. As I answer, keep my thoughts clear and concise. Replace any anxiety I feel with peace in knowing that You are with me to assist me and guide my responses. Amen.

TO ALL STUDENT PARISHIONERS TAKING THE LEAVING & JUNIOR CERTIFICATE EXAM PAPERS BE ASSURED OF OUR PRAYERS.

O Great St. Joseph of Cupertino who while on earth did obtain from God the grace to be asked at your examination only the questions you knew, obtain for me a like favour in the examinations for which I am now preparing. In return I promise to make you known and cause you to be invoked. Through Christ our Lord. St. Joseph of Cupertino, pray for us.



**THROUGH BAPTISM WE WELCOME INTO OUR FAITH COMMUNITY:
Fionn Joseph Kluczkowski & Freya Brigid Whelan**

Recently Decensed

John Cooney, Knockglass, Kells

Mass Intentions for Kells

- Sat (Jun 6) 6.30pm - Dr. Kelly McNeece, Headfort Place (1st Ann)
- Grainne Maguire
- Mary Grace & dec'd mems Grace Family, Church View;
Also Dec'd mems Carpenter Family
- Dessie Thornton, Maudlin & Dec's mems Thornton Family, Kilbeg
- Sun (Jun 7) 9.30am - Mary, Margaret & Henry Curran, Rosmeen;
Also Peter & Helena Tobin, Kilmainham & Nora O'Grady Thurles
- 12.00pm - Bridie Geraghty, Gardenrath (MM)
- Kay Lydon, Kilmainham (MM)
- Thomas Brady, Westfield
- Sean Hetheron, Balrath Rd
- Tiarnán & Deirdre Smyth
- Mon (Jun 8) 10.00am -
- Tues (Jun 9) 10.00am -
- Wed (Jun 10) 10.00am - Pat & Eileen Curnyn, The Grove, Farrell St
- Thurs (Jun 11) 10.00am -
- Fri (Jun 12) 10.00am - Rose & Ann Kerley
- Sat (Jun 13) 10.00am ANNIVERSARIES OCCURRING
6.30pm - Dec'd mems Tormay Family, Maudlin St
- Sun (Jun 14) 9.30am -
12.00pm - May Barrett, Moynalty Rd (MM)
- Declan Black, Kilmainham (1st Ann)
- Bobby (James) Farrell, Oldcastle Rd (1st Ann)
- James (Jimmy) Morris, Carra House

Mass Intentions for Girley

- Sun (Jun 7) 10.30am - Molly & Phil Caffrey; Also their son Phil
- Sun (Jun 14) 10.30am - Bertie, Josephine and Bernie Faulkner & dec'd mems Faulkner family
Also Peter and Alice Clarke



MASS FOR THE SICK will be celebrated on Saturday 27th June 10am in St. Colmcille's. Please save the date and make preliminary arrangements for bringing your family members or neighbours who are housebound and unable to frequently attend Mass. Anyone who is burdened by illness or old age is welcome to join with us for this Mass during which the laying on of hands and the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated with the sacred Oil of the Sick blessed by Bishop Tom at the Chrism Mass in the Cathedral.



Clean up at Girley Church & grounds on Saturday June 13th at 11am.
All help greatly appreciated.

PARISH VISITATION - During the coming weeks, Fr. John will visit the people in the new estate of St. Colmcille's Court



FEAST OF ST. COLMCILLE PATRON SAINT OF OUR PARISH

Kells Silver Band invites all parishioners and friends to join them in their Annual Recital and Rosary at St. Colmcille's Well, Climber Hall, on Mon 8th June at 8pm. This tradition has been carried on by Kells Silver Band for over 150 years. All welcome.



ST. COLMCILLE'S OFFERINGS THIS WEEKEND Kindly use the white envelope from your Box - Alternatively any white envelope marked June Offerings.

COLLECTIONS (Kells & Girley)

Plate Collection : €1797 Weekly Env: €1004 Offerings: €210

Thank you to all who contribute, count & collect.

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