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# CHURCH OF ST. COLMCILLE KELLS CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION GIRLEY



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## **SUNDAY 7th SEPTEMBER 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

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# FROM NEXT SATURDAY (13TH SEPT 2025) SATURDAY MORNING MASS WILL CHANGE FROM 11AM TO 10AM.



**NEW SAINTS** In Rome Pope Leo XIV celebrates the first canonisation ceremony of his Pontificate when he declares Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati and Blessed Carlo Acutis, Saints! Pier Giorgio lived in Turin with his family who were very wealthy, yet he lived his young life with extraordinary faith, enthusiasm for sport and a zeal to humbly help the poor and sick around him. Pier Giorgio died one hundred years ago on 4th July 1925 aged 24! He

is a Patron of Youth. Carlo Acutis is the first millennial saint! Born in London, Carlo died in Monza, Italy on 12th October 2006 aged only 15! He too belonged to a very wealthy family. His parents were not religious but Carlo showed great interest in Jesus and the precious gift of the Eucharist! His young witness to the faith was evident to all who knew him at home, at school in the community. He used his computer skills to produce a website to promote the Eucharistic Miracles. He died only a few days after being diagnosed with acute leukaemia. He is Patron of Teenagers. St. Pier Giorgio & St. Carlo, Pray for us!

In the coming weeks we will have registration and enrolment for the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion. The Sacrament of Confirmation in 2026 will be celebrated on 26th February. Please invite and encourage extended family, neighbours and friends to join with us for Mass every Sunday.



This year's Season of Creation has as its theme "Peace with Creation", inspired by Isaiah 32:14-18; "My people will abide in a peaceful habitation, in secure dwellings, and in quiet resting places." In a world of challenges and division, marked by

war and climate change, how can we as people of faith create and work towards peace with creation? The Season of Creation has special significance for the Catholic Church, particularly since the late Pope Francis established 1 September as an annual World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. The Season of Creation is marked throughout the Christian world from 1 Sept - 4 Oct (Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi) and celebrates the joy of creation as well as encouraging awareness-raising initiatives to protect the natural environment.

Join us at the Tower of Lloyd for a Season of Creation Prayer Service on Saturday 20th September at 3pm.

A Screening of the Laudato Si' Film-Documentary "The Letter –A Message For Our Earth" will take place in Collinstown & Fore Parish Centre, on Wed 10th Sept from 7-9 pm. 80 minute film followed by Q&A discussion. Tea and refreshments afterwards. All welcome.

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#### Recently Deceased

Tom Lynch, Wexford, late of Balrathboyne, Cortown

#### Mass Intentions for Kells

Sat (Sept 6) 6.30pm - 1st Ann - Philip Reilly, Taylor Hall

- 1st Ann - Helen McLoughlin Mooney, Blackthorn Grove

- 1st Ann - Séamus Smith, Rosmeen
- 4th Ann - PJ Quigley, Gardenrath
- 4th Ann - Carmel Smith, Navan

- 10th Ann - Eamon McMahon, Fairgreen

Sun (Sept 7) 9.30am - 30th Ann - Thomas, Una & Eamon Loughran, also Pat Cahill,

Seamus Boylan, Michael & Caroline Geraghty.
- 20th Ann - Paddy & Rose Curran, Cavan Rd
- Anniv - James & Ellen Smyth, Newmarket St

Thurs (Sept 11) 10.00am - 2nd Ann - Imelda Doyle, Carlow

- Anniv - Barney Morgan, London & Navan

Sat (Sept 13) 10.00am - Missa Pro Populo - Missa Pro Populo - Missa Pro Populo

12.00pm

Sun (Sept 14) 9.30am - Missa Pro Populo

12.00pm - Peter & Eilish Smyth, Castlemartin

- 8th Ann - Ronnie McManus

- Anniv - Nellie & Terry Murphy, Cavan Rd

Mass Intentions for Girley

Sun (Sept 7) 10.30am - Anniv - Bill, Bridie & Brenda Burke, Drewstown

Sun (Sept 14) 10.30am - MM - Kevin Woods, Hicksville, New York & Drewstown, Fordstown

#### Anniversaries

Matt & Rose Healy, Station House; The Geraghty Family, Suffolk St; Peter Farrell, London; Tony Tumalty-Murphy, St. Colmcille's Villas; Patrick Lynch & Bridgie Morris, Lord Edward St; Martin Grace, Grand Priory; Richard & Kathleen Grace; The Watters Family, Canon St.



<u>ANNIVERSARIES OCCURRING</u> With the increase in our parish population you might find it may not be possible to have a deceased loved one remembered individually at Mass at the particular weekend desired. Priority is given to Months Memories and First Anniversaries. After a number of years families often include loved ones together in an annual Mass for the deceased members of their family.

This enables everyone to have an opportunity throughout the year to remember publicly our deceased loved ones. In November we compile our Parish List of the Dead to include all our deceased loved ones at the Masses offered during November and on the First Fridays of the year. However to enable a more personal remembrance at the time of particular anniversaries, birthdays or some special occasion we invite you to consider the **Anniversaries Occurring Mass** to be celebrated at the 10am Mass on Saturdays (except for the St. Padre Pio Mass on the first Saturday of the month which will be kept for the Sick and intersessions). Individual names will be read out and candles lit at the altar to recall their memory. As usual you can ask to have your deceased loved ones included by contacting the Parish Office.

COMMUNITY NOTES: Reflection on the Sunday Gospel - Mon mornings, 10.30-11.45am, Parish Hall. All welcome Kells & District Horticultural Society garden tour on 17th Sept to Lodge park walled gardens Straffan and guided tour of Japanese Gardens, St. Fiachra's Garden & Irish National Stud. Coach leaves 9am sharp. Non members welcome. Booking with Mary 0879755495 or Violet 087656909. Kells Theatre School Enrolment is now under way for workshops in drama, singing, dance and creative storytelling and writing 6 - 16 years, with end of year production May 2026. The closing date for applying is 19th Sept. Classes begin 1st Oct at 4pm in Kells Scout Den, Kells Business Park. Applications forms and info:- email pantomimekells@gmail.com or ring 0872079557 Kells Active Retirement is back on Sept 17th at 2:30pm - 4:30pm in our new location - Kells Family Resource Centre, Lord Edward Street, A82 XN75. New members welcome. Navan Floral Art Club are holding a demonstration by Julie Tracey in the Ardboyne Hotel on Wed.10th Sept at 8 p.m. Everyone's welcome. Caolán's BBQ Barn Bash in aid of Caolán Smyth's fight against Leukaemia. Rockfield House (A82V9D5) Fri 12th Sept @ 8pm. Doors open from 6.30pm. Tickets €25 can be purchased on the night.

**COLLECTIONS (Kells & Girley)** 

Plate: €2121 Offerings: €170 Weekly Env: €1552 Thank you to all who contribute, count & collect. Kilmainham €3,900 Handball €900

Drumbaragh €8,600

Gaeil Colmcille €3,550

