

## Assembly (5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Class)

### Based on Term 3 Lesson 5

### Celtic Christianity

**Songs:** any songs as Gaeilge, Christ be beside me

**You need:** pictures of any Celtic sites near to school

Class research on Celtic saints p.138

Either photos/ slides of Celtic crosses or pupils' art work

Pupil 1	Last week in RE we talked about famous Celtic saints
St Patrick	My name is St. Patrick. I am famous for ....
St Brigid	My name is St Brigid. I am famous for....
St Columba	My name is St Columba (or St Colmcille). I am famous for....
St Kevin	My name is St Kevin. I am famous for.....
.....	Add any other local Celtic saints especially if your school is named after an Irish saint
Pupil 2	We heard the story of St Kevin
Storyteller	Read/ tell story p. 138
Pupil 2	We thought it was amazing that St Kevin spent 7 years as a hermit praying to God
Pupil 3	That is like the Junior Infants becoming hermits now and not coming back till 6 <sup>th</sup> class.
Pupil 4	We also talked about Celtic crosses which are still around the countryside in Ireland. Over 200 were erected between the 7 <sup>th</sup> and 12 <sup>th</sup> centuries.
Pupil 5	Crosses were often located at places where battles were won or at holy places
Pupil 4	They often have pictures of Bible stories on them
Pupil 5	Here are some pictures of Celtic crosses
Pupil 4	They also have Celtic designs on them. (show examples of Celtic designs/ knotwork)
Pupil 6	Celtic prayers remind people that God is in every part of their lives
Pupil 7	Read p. 140 (Italics) A pupil could act the story too
Prayers	Choose prayers from the week and/or read prayers written by the pupils