



TODAY'S MASS READINGS

First reading

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus

Resentment and anger, these are foul things, and both are found with the sinner. He who exacts vengeance will experience the vengeance of the Lord, who keeps strict account of sin. Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven. If a man nurses anger against another, can he then demand compassion from the Lord? Showing no pity for a man like himself, can he then plead for his own sins? Mere creature of flesh, he cherishes resentment; who will forgive him his sins? Remember the last things, and stop hating, remember dissolution and death, and live by the commandments. Remember the commandments, and do not bear your neighbour ill-will; remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook the offence.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response: The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy.

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to life: it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times. 'And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master's feet. "Give me time" he said "and I will pay the whole sum." And the servant's master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. "Pay what you owe me" he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, "Give me time and I will pay you." But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. "You wicked servant," he said "I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?" And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart.'

The Gospel of the Lord



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13th September 2020

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prayer to Our Lady of Knock

Our Lady of Knock, Queen of Ireland,
you gave hope to your people in a time of distress
and comforted them in sorrow.

You have inspired countless pilgrims to pray
with confidence
to your divine Son, remembering His promise,
"Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall
find".

Help me to remember that we are all pilgrims
on the road to Heaven.

Fill me with love and concern for my brothers
and sisters in Christ,
especially those who live with me.

Comfort me when I am sick, lonely or de-
pressed.

Teach me how to take part ever more reverently in the Holy Mass.

Give me a greater love of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

Pray for me now and at the end of my death.

Amen.



In Memoriam

Anniversaries for 12 / 13 Sept

Killeen (9am): **Margaret & Maurice Enright**

Arles (10am):

Ballylinan (8pm):

(11.30am): **Liam Doyle (1st Anniversary)**

Maureen, Jimmy & Mary Doyle

Anniversaries for 19 / 20 Sept

Killeen (9am): **James O'Neill**

Arles (10am):

Ballylinan (8pm): **James & Maria Wall, Clonpierce**

(11.30am): **Julia McEvoy**

First Holy Communion

In conjunction with our three primary schools, we hope to celebrate a number of First Holy Communion masses in the parish in the next month.

These celebrations will be different than other years, There will be a number ceremonies of smaller gatherings to enable social distancing. It will be a more intimate and simpler celebration. We wish all the children a special day filled with happy memories.

Dates:

Killeen Saturday 26th September

Arles Sunday 27th September

Ballylinan Saturday 3rd October



Wearing of Face Coverings (Masks and Visors)

Best practice would suggest that all who are over the age of 13 and who do not have any condition to prevent the wearing of masks, should wear one. This practice will apply to congregational setting for masses, the celebration of sacraments and private prayer in our churches.



Grandparents Pilgrimage, Knock Shrine, Sunday 13th Sept 2020

A virtual pilgrimage will take place at the Basilica at 3pm to mark the special contribution that grandparents make to the church, to family, and to society.

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A quote from Pope Francis:

"The consolation we need, amid the turmoil we experience in life, is precisely the presence of God in our hearts. God's presence in us is the source of true consolation, which dwells in us, liberates us from evil, brings peace and increases our joy. For this reason, if we want to experience His consolation, we must give way to the Lord in our lives. And in order for the Lord to abide continually in us, we must open the doors of our hearts to Him and not keep Him outside. There are doors of consolation which must always be open, because Jesus especially loves to enter through them: the Gospel we read every day and carry around with us, our silent prayer in adoration, confession, the Eucharist. It is through these doors that the Lord enters and gives new flavour to reality. When the door of our heart is closed, however, His light cannot enter in and everything remains dark. We then get accustomed to pessimism, to things which aren't right, to realities that never change. We end up absorbed in our own sadness, in the depths of anguish, isolated. If, on the other hand, we open wide the doors of consolation, the light of the Lord enters in!"



— Holy Mass at Meskhi Stadium in Tbilisi, Georgia, Oct. 1, 2016

Parish Office

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Opening Hours

The Parish Office will be closed this coming week.
It will reopen on Tuesday 22nd Sept.

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday:	No mass
Tuesday:	10am Ballylinan
Wednesday:	10am Killeen
Thursday:	10am Arles
Friday:	10am Ballylinan



Thank you for your continued support of our Covid 19 practices when gathering in the church. Please continue to respect our social distancing guidelines and be mindful of

Ballylinan/Ballyadams Community Employment are seeking Environmental/Caretaker/Cleaner workers for the following areas:
CE Scheme Ref No 2152838 Ballyadams Caretaker / Environmental
CE Scheme Ref No 2152839 Ballylinan Environmental
CE Scheme Ref No 2157442 Wolfhill Caretaker / Environmental
CE Scheme Ref No 2157445 Ballylinan Caretaker / Cleaner
CE Scheme Ref No 2157450 Ballylinan Environmental
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