



TODAY'S MASS READINGS

First reading

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found, call to him while he is still near. Let the wicked man abandon his way, the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him, to our God who is rich in forgiving; for my thoughts are not your thoughts, my ways not your ways – it is the Lord who speaks. Yes, the heavens are as high above earth as my ways are above your ways, my thoughts above your thoughts.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response: The Lord is close to all who call upon him.

Second Reading

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

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether by my life or by my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death would bring me something more; but then again, if living in this body means doing work which is having good results – I do not know what I should choose. I am caught in this dilemma: I want to be gone and be with Christ, which would be very much the better, but for me to stay alive in this body is a more urgent need for your sake.

Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens! Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, “You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage.” So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, “Why have you been standing here idle all day?” “Because no one has hired us” they answered. He said to them, “You go into my vineyard too.” In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, “Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first.” So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. “The men who came last” they said “have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day’s work in all the heat.” He answered one of them and said, “My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?” Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.’

The Gospel of the Lord



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20th September 2020

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Novena Prayer to St. Vincent de Paul

God you were patient with St. Vincent de Paul
as you moved him from self-centeredness
to be centred on you.

Help me through his intercession
to grant me this petition
and to know that you will grant
what I desire in your own time

(Mention your intention here...).

I thank you God for everything
and I will imitate St. Vincent de Paul
in growing in holiness through prayer,
participation in the sacraments
and service to my neighbour
especially the poor.

Amen.

St. Vincent de Paul is the Patron of all charitable works. Through our hands and by our kindness may we be instruments of charity in our own homes and community. May we help

extend the reach of the Lord's compassion and empathy to all.



In Memoriam

Anniversaries for 19 / 20 Sept

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

Arles (10am):

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

(11.30am): **Julia McEvoy**

Anniversaries for 26 / 27 Sept

Killeen (9am): **Martin & Mary Byrne and son Martin**

Arles (10am): **First Holy Communion**

Ballylinan (8pm):

(11.30am):

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.



Quotes from the saints:

St Vincent de Paul – September 27th

Read some chapter of a devout book....It is very easy and most necessary, for just as you speak to God when at prayer, God speaks to you when you read.

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Opening Hours

Tuesday 10am –12 noon

Friday 10am—12 noon



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

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday: No mass

Tuesday: 10am Ballylinan

Wednesday: 10am Killeen

Thursday: 10am Arles

Friday: 10am Ballylinan

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
 Please contact Paul Brennan 086 7954823 or Trevor Dowling 0960581 to check eligibility

A quote from Pope Francis:



"At times of sadness, suffering and sickness, amid the anguish of persecution and grief, everyone looks for a word of consolation.

We sense a powerful need for someone to be close and feel compassion for us. We experience what it means to be disoriented, confused, more heartsick than we ever thought possible. We look around us with

uncertainty, trying to see if we can find someone who really understands our pain. Our mind is full of questions but answers do not come. Reason by itself is not capable of making sense of our deepest feelings, appreciating the grief we experience and providing the answers we are looking for."

-- Prayer vigil on Feast of Ascension, May 5, 2016