TODAY'S MASS READINGS

First reading

A reading from the prophet Isaiah



On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich

food. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response: In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.

Second Reading

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

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as

lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us: to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests.'

The Gospel of the Lord



During the months of lockdown earlier this year, not having a means of communication with others in the parish was a big disadvantage. When our Sunday masses were halted due to the Covid 19 restrictions the opportunity to distribute our parish newsletter was also lost. Over night we had no platform to stay in touch and keep people up to date with parish activities.

With this in mind, over the past couple of months we have been working on a parish website. It will go live at the end of next week and can be found at arlesparish.ie



Even in these difficult times financially, it is important to continue to build up the infrastructure of the parish. Something that our parish has been lacking is an online presence. Most parishes have a website to communicate parish news and events and practical information to parishioners and others.

On the site you will find: our latest parish newsletter; any special announcements, notices of parish activities; practical details for people planning weddings or baptisms; our policy for Arles and Killeen graveyards; a picture gallery of photographs of activities and parish events; a mechanism to allow you to donate financially to the parish online; the text of next Sunday's mass readings for readers and private prayer; and plenty of other information.



I encourage you to visit the site regularly and stay in touch with our parish.

Fr. Padraig



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| Anniversaries for 10 / 11 Oct Killeen (9am): Arles (10am): Ballylinan (8pm): Johnny Lawlor (11.30am): | CE CF CE Plea t |
| Anniversaries for 17 / 18 Oct Killeen (9am): Arles (10am): Ballylinan (8pm): Johnny Lawlor (11.30am): | Arles |
| Halloween is coming! | Kille |
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| Ballylinan/Ballyadams Community Employ- ment : are seeking Environmental/Caretaker workers in the following areas : | | | | | |
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| CE Scheme Ref No 215 7445 - Luggacurren | | | | | |
| CE Scheme Ref No 215 7450 - Ballylinan | | | | | |
| CE Scheme Ref No 215 9880 – Ballyadams | | | | | |
| Please contact Trevor Dowling 087 0960581 to check eligibility or Jenny Joyce 087 2232515 for further information. | | | | | |
| Weekly Collections | | | | | |
| Sunday 27th September | | | | | |
| Arles: | Offertory | €131.19 | | | |
| | Envelope | €201.00 | | | |
| Ballylinan: | Offertory | €262.29 | | | |
| | Envelope | €249.00 | | | |
| Killeen: | Offertory | €108.35 | | | |
| | Envelope | €95.00 | | | |
| A sincere word of thanks to all those who contribute to the upkeep of our parish. | | | | | |

Ballylinan Community Alert

We are aware of the difficult time we all have had over the past six months and it will continue into the winter months with numbers rising each day. As winter approaches it is never more important to look out for each other. If you or anyone you know in our community are looking for the personal alarm for the elderly, please contact us on 085-1126585/086-3794804

| ₽ | Parish Contact Details | | | |
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| | Parish Office: | ☞ (059) 862 5456 | arlesparish@gmail.com | , |

| Parish Office | Weekday Mass Schedule | |
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| (059) 862 5456 | Monday: | No Mass |
| Opening Hours | Tuesday: | No Mass |
| Tuesday 10am -12 noon | Wednesday: | No Mass |
| Friday 10am—12 noon | Thursday: | No Mass |
| | Friday: | No Mass |



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 others.

"May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith."

 \sim St. Therese of Lisieux \sim



new, young or poor.

It is also the one Sunday in the year when your generosity goes directly to help mission parishes overseas and reach out with Jesus' message of hope and love. World Missions Ireland is the Holy Father's official charity for overseas mission. It is responsible for coordinating Mission Sunday in Ireland and, through local bishops, churches, and missionary congregations around the world, ensures that resources are distributed equitably and justly on the basis of need.

In offering our prayers, we join with missionaries everywhere in communion and compassion to support them in spreading the Good News, and by giving a donation we respond to Christ's call to feed the hungry and clothe the naked so please give what you can. Thank You.



Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday

It is the one Sunday in the year when the Mass is celebrated exclusively for missionary activity. Any donations that are collected at this time go to support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is

THAT THEY MAY HAVE LIFE*