TODAY'S MASS READINGS

First reading

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse



I, John, saw another angel rising where the sun rises, carrying the seal of the living God; he called in a powerful voice to the four angels whose

duty was to devastate land and sea, 'Wait before you do any damage on land or at sea or to the trees, until we have put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God.' Then I heard how many were sealed: a hundred and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of Israel.

After that I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. They shouted aloud, 'Victory to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels who were standing in a circle round the throne, surrounding the elders and the four animals, prostrated themselves before the throne, and touched the ground with their foreheads, worshipping God with these words, 'Amen. Praise and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and strength to our God for ever and ever. Amen.'

One of the elders then spoke, and asked me, 'Do you know who these people are, dressed in white robes, and where they have come from?' I answered him, 'You can tell me, my lord.' Then he said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb.'

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response: Such are the men who seek your face, O Lord.

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St. John

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is. Surely everyone who entertains this hope must purify himself, must try to be as pure as Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

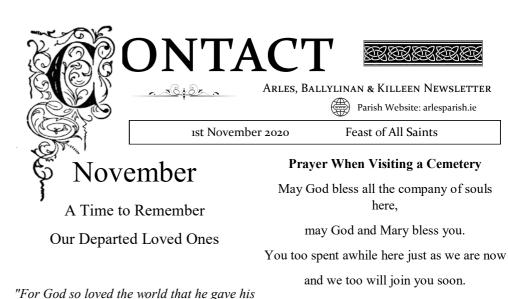
Alleluia, alleluia! Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened and I will give you rest, says the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them: 'How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage. Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted. Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied. Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them. Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God. Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called sons of God. Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord



one and only Son, that whoever believes in

him shall not perish but have eternal

life" (Jn. 3:16)

members, loved ones, neighbours and

friends. As we do so we reawaken precious

memories-happy times spent together. For

some of us, and particularly those who are

recently bereaved, such an activity can be

painful and evoke feelings of great sadness

and loss. In such moments the Lord is close

to us. He is at our side to gently bless us and

reassure us that our loved ones are at peace

and rest in the company of the saints in heav-

If you are in the habit of visiting the resting

place of your loved ones during the next

month, this old Irish blessing prayer may be

suitable for such an occasion.

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ver these next few weeks we take time

to remember our departed family

May we all be adorned in the beauty

of the bright King of Heaven.

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Go mbeannaí Dia daoibh, a fhoireann, go mbeannaí Dia daoibh agus Muire. Bhí sibhse tamall mar atá sinne, Beimidne fós mar atá sibhse. Go rabhaimid go léir fé mhaise Ag Rí geal na cruinne.



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A Prayer for these days

Almighty and eternal God,

our refuge in every danger, to whom we turn in our distress, in faith we pray. Look with compassion on the afflicted, grant eternal rest to the dead, comfort to mourners, healing to the sick, peace to the dying,

strength to healthcare workers, wisdom to our leaders

and the courage to reach out to all in love,

so that together we may give glory to your holy name. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

God, for ever and ever.

'Collect' from Mass in time of Pandemic

November Dead List

The November Dead list can be renewed during the month of November by contacting:

Kathleen Noctor in Arles

Carmel Behan in Killeen

Kevin Hovenden in Ballylinan

Parish Contact Details

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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.

Family Carers Ireland



Unfortunately, Family Carers Ireland have had to once again close our doors to the public due to level 5 restrictions which means that we will no longer be

able to meet Carers one to one. We will, as always, be available to offer support & advice over the phone on 056 7721424 or on our 24 hour careline 1800 24 07 24. Please do not hesitate to contact us & we will assist you as much as possible.

Safeguarding

DLP: Mick Daly, mobile number 085-8021633 and email: dlp@kandle.ie Parish Safeguarding Rep: Christine Oglesby (087) 654 6149



The sick and housebound in the parish will be attended on Friday 6th November.

Lough Derg

NOVEMBER MEMORIAL SERVICE

for deceased pilgrims and benefactors

Live via webcam from St. Marv's Church. Pettigo, Sunday 22nd November at 7pm. www.churchservices.tv/pettigo

To enrol a departed loved one please contact us by email: info@loughderg.org or Tel: 0 (0353) 71 9861518

Write to: Fr La Flynn, Prior, Lough Derg, Pettigo, Co Donegal F94 YC60

Parish Office

(059) 862 5456

Due to the Covid-19 Level 5 Restrictions the Office will remain closed for 6 weeks. If you wish to have a departed loved one remembered in our Sunday mass, please email arlesparish@gmail.com

November Prayer Service for the Dead

We take time this afternoon (Sunday 1st November) at 3pm to remember our faithful departed. In doing so, we join with many parishes throughout the country who will also pause to remember all who have died. A copy of the ceremony can be found on the Homepage of our parish website (arlesparish.ie) to help your participation in this ceremony.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.





