

Today's Mass Readings

First reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses.

'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response: Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.

Second Reading

A reading from the first letter of St. John

I am writing this, my children, to stop you sinning; but if anyone should sin, we have our advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, who is just; he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's. We can be sure that we know God only by keeping his commandments. Anyone who says, 'I know him', and does not keep his commandments, is a liar, refusing to admit the truth. But when anyone does obey what he has said, God's love comes to perfection in him.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, explain the Scriptures to us.

Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.

Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they still could not believe it, and they stood there dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

The Gospel of the Lord



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18th April 2021

3rd Sunday of Easter

Let us live today

in Christ's resurrection
light.

Let us live

by God's law of love,
extending mercy,
compassion and joy.

Let us share the gifts

God has given,

practicing generosity, hospitality and love.

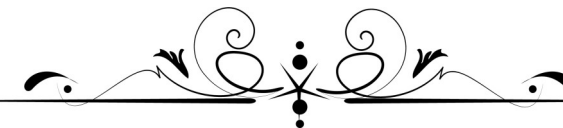
Let us live

as Christ would have us live,

bringing freedom, justice and hope.



Christine Sine



In Memoriam

Anniversaries for 18th April 2021

(10am): Tony Noctor, Arles
Jimmy & Edward Graham
Pat & Bridie Morrissey, Arles
Michael Bolger, late of
Ballylinan (11th Anniv.)
Cissie Kaye

Anniversaries for 25th April 2021

(10am): John & Elizabeth Byrne

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

“Be strong enough to stand alone
Smart enough to know when you need help
And brave enough to ask for it”
M. Gandhi

*Lord, today and every day, teach us how to be
strong, brave and smart. Amen.*

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our Parish Collections
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on our parish website arlesparish.ie

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are
present in the Most Holy
Sacrament.

I love You above all
things, and I desire to
receive You into my
soul.

Since I cannot at this
moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my
heart.

I embrace You as if You were al-
ready there and unite myself wholly
to You.

Never permit me to be separated
from You. Amen.



Parish Office & Shop

Each Tuesday the Parish Office will open
for reduced hours (10-12 Tuesday only)
to facilitate those who wish to get a mass
card, book an anniversary, or drop in
their parish envelope offering, etc.

Lockdown Mass Schedule

*Join in the celebration of the Mass from
the Church of the Sacred Heart, Arles via
Parish Webcam (arlesparish.ie)*

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday - Saturday 10am

Preceded by Rosary at 9.30am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday 10.30am - 11.30am

Sunday Mass

10am



Safeguarding

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Best option for engagement in a conver- sation process about a national synod?

The Irish Catholic Bishops announced at their
Winter 2020 meeting a new Synodal Pathway
for the Catholic Church in Ireland, leading to the
holding of a National Synodal Assembly within
the next five years. Before embarking on an
initial two year phase of consultation, bishops
are inviting submissions between Easter (5
April) and Pentecost (23 May), 2021 to reflect
on what methods/models would be best to adopt
in these coming two years of conversations. For
example: focus groups, parish hall meetings,
questionnaires, deep-listening sessions; written
submissions; family-focused gatherings; sum-
mary of findings of assemblies that have already
taken place across dioceses; and/or conferences.

Parish teams, parish pastoral councils and other
parish groups, as well as individual parishioners
can make their submissions, in not more than
300 words, via the Bishops Conference
webpage: [https://www.catholicbishops.ie/synod/
submissions/](https://www.catholicbishops.ie/synod/submissions/)

Mass of Appreciation for Fr. Tommy

Fr. Tommy, after 37 years of faithful ministry in our parish, has decided to take up residence in Gowran Abbey Nursing Home, Co. Kilkenny from the beginning of May. With this move we hope that Fr. Tommy will enjoy many happy years of secure retirement in Gowran.

To mark this moment I invite you to join Bishop Denis who will concelebrate a special Mass of Appreciation for Fr. Tommy on Wednesday week - **28th April at 10am from Arles Church**. Due to Covid restrictions this mass will take place behind closed doors. You may join us online via our webcam on our parish website (arlesparish.ie).

As we are still asked to limit our visits to other households I would encourage you to give Tommy a phone call sometime in the coming week and wish him the very best with his move. Over the summer months, when we can travel more freely, it would also be lovely to take time to visit him in his new home.

For all your goodness and kindness over the years Fr Tommy, we say thanks and may God bless you always.

Fr. Padraig



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