

TODAY'S MASS READINGS



First reading

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

Moses said to the people: 'Put this question to the ages that are past, that went before you, from the time God created man on earth: Was there ever a word so majestic, from one end of heaven to the other? Was anything ever heard? Did ever a people hear the voice of the living God speaking from the heart of the fire, as you heard it, and remain alive? Has any god ventured to take to himself one nation from the midst of another by ordeals, signs, wonders, war with mighty hand and outstretched arm, by fearsome terrors – all this that the Lord your God did for you before your eyes in Egypt?

'Understand this today, therefore, and take it to heart: the Lord is God indeed, in heaven above as on earth beneath, he and no other. Keep his laws and commandments as I give them to you today, so that you and your children may prosper and live long in the land that the Lord your God gives you for ever.'

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response: Happy the people the Lord has chosen as his own.

Second Reading

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

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of

slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; the God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

The Gospel of the Lord



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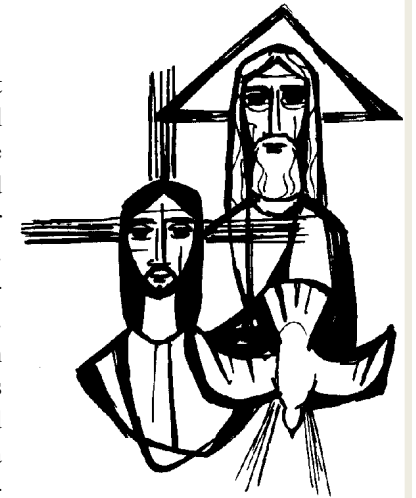
The Most Holy Trinity

Fullness of Love

A popular expression tells us that "Two is company, three is a crowd". But the gospel would have it otherwise, for there, the figure three symbolises completeness and perfect symmetry, and re-appears at all the key moments of the story of our Lord. His life itself constantly reflected the Trinity. Three figures make up the nativity scene in Bethlehem – the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. Their first visitors were the three wise men. Later, in the desert preparing to begin his public life, Jesus was tempted three times by the devil. A good story should have a beginning, a middle and an end. Christ was a storyteller par excellence and three figures prominently in his parables. The Prodigal Son is about a father and his two sons; the Good Samaritan tells of the behaviour of three passers-by, the priest, the Levite and the Samaritan; the sower sowed his seed in three different types of terrain, yielding three different levels of harvest. The end of his life, as the beginning, has again the three motif. During his Passion, Peter denied him thrice. On the road to Calvary, he fell three times. The crucifixion scene has three figures, Christ between two thieves. Before his resurrection, he spent three days in the tomb.

God is love, as St John so powerfully stated. And in God there are Three Persons, the loving Trinity, the Father the Son and the Holy Spirit. Together they represent the fullness of love. The Father loves the Son, the Son loves the Father. The Holy Spirit is their love for each other. We are made in the image of a triune God. God the Father, who created us, his Son who saved us, and the Holy Spirit who continues to guide us. Our lives should reflect the Trinity. We should be always creative like the Father, compassionate like his Son, and dispose our talents in the service of others like the Holy Spirit.

Liam Swords



In Memoriam

We pray for: Jim Doyle, Gurteen who died during the past week.

Anniversaries for 29 / 30 May

Killeen (9am):

Arles (10am): Christy Rowan, Tolerton

Ballylinan (8pm):

(11.30am): Joe & Bridget O'Brien

Anniversaries for 5 / 6 June

Killeen (9am): Lorraine Dunne, Kilabban

(1st Anniv)

Charlotte & William Moran

Arles (10am): Jim & Ned McDonald, Ashfield

Ballylinan (8pm):

(11.30am): Betty Kealy

John Murphy, Ballylinan



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Are you being called to the Permanent Diaconate?

Permanent Deacons are ministers of the Word, the altar and service.



Bishop Denis is inviting expressions of interest in learning more about formation for the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin.

The Permanent Diaconate is open to men aged between 30 and 60 who have a genuine sense of vocation to this calling. Deacons are self-supporting and continue in their family lives and secular employment.

A new programme of discernment and formation for the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese will commence in October 2021.

For further information please contact Rev. John McEvoy before Saturday July 31st.

Tel: 059 9161114

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'You did not choose me but I chose you'

John 15:16



Irish Volunteer Agency

Creates Online Global Network

Viatores Christi, a faith-based development organisation has specialised in the recruitment, training and deployment of overseas volunteers since 1960. VC have just launched, along with our partner agencies in Volunteering for Humanity, a new Online Discussion Forum that is open to all! The Forum is an online community that is free for everyone to join and to start discussions about volunteering - how to become a volunteer; to share stories and to find volunteering opportunities such as the #EUAVI. To learn more about the forum go to our website www.vcvolunteers.ie

"What you are is God's gift to you, what you become is your gift to God."

Hans Urs von Balthasar,

~ Prayer ~

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Sunday 23rd May

Arles:	Offertory	€202.01
	Envelope	€505.00
Ballylinan:	Offertory	€227.00
	Envelope	€609.00
Killeen:	Offertory	€132.27
	Envelope	€287.00

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Many thanks for your generous support of the recent Lenten Campaign.

Our parish collection amounted to :
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