

First reading

A reading from the book of Wisdom

Death was not God's doing, he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living. To be – for this he created all; the world's created things have health in them, in them no fatal poison can be found, and Hades holds no power on earth; for virtue is undying. Yet God did make man imperishable, he made him in the image of his own nature; it was the devil's envy that brought death into the world, as those who are his partners will discover.

The Word of the Lord

Response: I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me.

Second Reading:

A reading from the second letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.

You always have the most of everything – of faith, of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any cause, and the biggest share of our affection – so we expect you to put the most into this work of mercy too. Remember how generous the Lord Jesus was: he was rich, but he became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty. This does not mean that to give relief to others you ought to make things difficult for yourselves: it is a question of balancing what happens to be your surplus now against their present need, and one day they may have something to spare that will supply your own need. That is how we strike a balance: as scripture says: The man who gathered much had none too much, the man who gathered little did not go short.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life; you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

TODAY'S MASS READINGS

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark



When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name, and seeing him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.' Jesus went with him and a large crowd followed him; they were pressing all round him.

While he was still speaking some people arrived from the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to any further trouble?' But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and he said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have faith.' And he allowed no one to go with him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. So they came to the official's house and Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He went in and said to them, 'Why all this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.' But they laughed at him. So he turned them all out and, taking with him the child's father and mother and his own companions, he went into the place where the child lay. And taking the child by the hand he said to her, 'Talitha, kum!' which means, 'Little girl, I tell you to get up.' The little girl got up at once and began to walk about, for she was twelve years old. At this they were overcome with astonishment, and he ordered them strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told them to give her something to eat.

The Gospel of the Lord



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27th June 2021

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflection

In today's Gospel we hear two healing stories: Jairus' daughter and the woman with a haemorrhage. At first glance these stories might not seem to have a lot in common. The woman is a complete social outcast because of her condition, yet Jesus calls her 'daughter'. He does not let social convention dictate who can be called a child of God. Jesus reminds the people of this woman's true identity. The synagogue official surprises us, pleasantly, with his faith in Jesus and his message. What these two characters have in common is faith against all the odds as they reach out to Jesus in faith-filled action. There are those in the story who laugh when Jesus says he can bring back Jairus' daughter. They are sent away. Jesus' healing breaks down the barriers that isolate us from one another and from God. We can all recall times when we were struggling. We needed something to move us, to help us forgive, to help us walk away or to relieve us of physical pain. In the end it can be the simple gestures that save us: a kind word, someone praying for us, a gentle

touch or we reach out to someone and like the woman with the haemorrhage we suddenly feel within ourselves that we are healing. These accounts show us something of how God's grace can enter our lives and transform situations. Mark leaves untranslated Jesus' native language when he restores the young girl to life: 'Talitha cum' – a beautiful phrase meaning: 'Little girl, get up!'. Jairus' daughter has been given new life; the woman has also been given new life. Both have overcome barriers that were keeping them from being free. We know what those barriers are for each of us. God's grace is gentle yet can bring life to situations of death. What do you need healing from today? Bring this to prayer.

Written for the Intercom Magazine by Jane Mellett



In Memoriam

Anniversaries for 26 / 27 June

Killeen (9am):

Arles (10am):

Ballylinan (8pm): Jim Doyle, Gurteen (Months Mind).

(11.30am): Pauline Moore, Ballylethane Lower, (Months Mind).

Anniversaries for 03 / 04 July

Killeen (9am):

Arles (10am): Stella Hovenden, (1st Anniv.)

Michael & Kitty Browne, Ballinakill.

Ballylinan (8pm):

(11.30am): Jimmy Farrell, (Months Mind)

Aidan Corcoran & Seamus Hayden.

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Weekly Collections

Sunday 13th June

Arles:	Offertory	€1,345.72
	Envelope	€414.00
Ballylinan:	Offertory	€718.58
	Envelope	€257.00
Killeen:	Offertory	€317.07
	Envelope	€132.00

A sincere word of thanks to all those who contribute to the upkeep of our parish.



Parish Office

(059) 862 5456

Opening Hours: Tuesday & Friday: 10am - 1pm

Lough Derg 2021



Registration is now open to "Do Lough Derg from wherever you are" from 3rd to 5th July. The Prior, Fr La Flynn, will do the Three-Day Pilgrimage on the Island during these days. To offer a live link by webcam in support of those who will choose to do the pilgrimage wherever they are, some of the Lough Derg staff will do the pilgrimage in St. Mary's Church in Pettigo. To register or for further information please email info@loughderg.org, telephone 0(0353) 71 9861518. www.loughderg.org

An evangelist is like a newscaster on television or a journalist writing for a newspaper ... except that the evangelist's mission is to tell the Good News that never changes

~ Billy Graham ~



Sick & Housebound



Fr. Padraig is planning to start back visiting the sick and housebound but is aware that some people might not be ready for this yet. The Parish Office will contact everyone on the list shortly.

If anyone new would like Fr. Padraig to call to their home with Holy Communion please contact the Office (Tue & Fri 10am - 1pm (059) 862 5456)

Safeguarding

DLP: Kathleen Sherry, mobile number 085-8021633 and email: dlp@kandle.ie

Parish Safeguarding Rep: Christine Oglesby (087) 654 6149

BOOKS AVAILABLE

Bibles, Catholic Dictionaries, Encyclopedia of Church History/Theology/Bible. Psychology/Theology/History/Spirituality books.

Suitable for parish reading room/library. Summary of titles can be provided or interested parties can call and select. If interested please contact: Kieran Coughlan, 8 Courtlawns, Tullow. 059

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FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

& CONFIRMATION



Whilst the Government has given permission for ceremonies to go ahead from July (they had asked that we not celebrate the Sacraments in May and June), I feel that many families will want to take holidays over the next couple of months when the schools are closed. With this in mind, I am hoping to celebrate the sacraments in late September / early October once the children are settled again in school. Specific dates and times will be announced later but we will strive to give everyone plenty of notice. I thank you for your patience.

Fr. Padraig



Special Collection for Palestine / Gaza

Thank You

There has been a wonderful and very generous response to last weekend's collection for Palestine / Gaza. Between monies collected at our weekend masses and donations handed into the Parish Office during the past week, our collection amounted to €2,685.00.

This money will go directly to help needy families coping with the effects of the recent conflict, and I believe it will also serve as a gesture of our solidarity with the suffering Palestinian people.

Many thanks, Fr. Padraig

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