

## First reading

A reading from the prophet Amos

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets,' Amos replied to Amaziah 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."'

*The Word of the Lord*

**Response:** Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.

## Second Reading:

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

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ.

Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determining that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved, in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins.

Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight.

He has let us know the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ

## TODAY'S MASS READINGS

from the beginning to act upon when the times had run their course to the end: that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head, everything in the heavens and everything on earth.

*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!

## Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Jesus made a tour round the villages, teaching. Then he summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals but, he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

*The Gospel of the Lord*



# CONTACT



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11th July 2021

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## THE BEAUTY OF NATURE

O God, we thank you for this earth, our home;

For the wide sky and the blessed sun,

For the salt sea and the running water,

For the everlasting hills and the never-resting winds,

For trees and the common grass underfoot.

We thank you for our senses by which we hear the songs of birds,

And see the splendour of the summer fields, and taste of the autumn fruits,

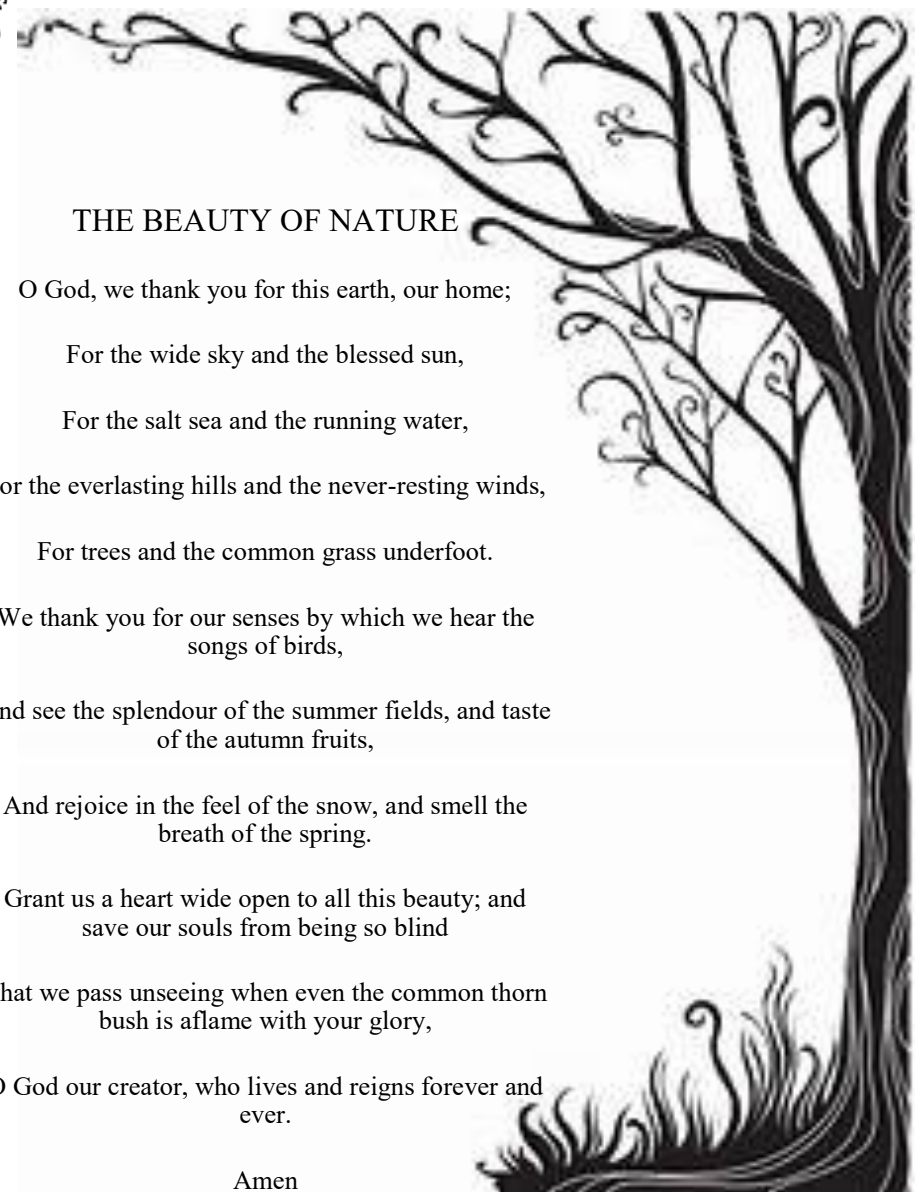
And rejoice in the feel of the snow, and smell the breath of the spring.

Grant us a heart wide open to all this beauty; and save our souls from being so blind

That we pass unseeing when even the common thorn bush is aflame with your glory,

O God our creator, who lives and reigns forever and ever.

Amen



# In Memoriam

## Anniversaries for 10 / 11 July

Killeen (9am): Martin Whelan, Hollymount.  
John Oglesby & deceased members of the Oglesby family.

Arles (10am): Tom & Margaret Delaney & their son Michael, Farnans.  
Nicholas & Kathleen Maher, their son James & daughter Eileen.

Ballylinan (8pm): Joe and Maureen Mulhare  
Andrew Brennan, Carlow

(11.30am): Josie & James Dayton

## Anniversaries for 17 / 18 July

Killeen (9am): William & Peggy Ryan

Arles (10am): Eileen & Willie Keightley  
Brid Scanlan

Ballylinan (8pm): Jim Davis, Milltown Road.

(11.30am): Anne O'Meara  
Annie Wynn Varnham  
(1st Anniv)

Do your little bit of good where you are; it is those little bits of Good put together that overwhelm the world.

~ Desmond Tutu ~

## Parish Donations

For secure Online Donations to our Parish Collections

Please use the Donate Button on our parish website [arlesparish.ie](http://arlesparish.ie)

### Weekly Collections

Sunday 04th July

Arles:	Offertory	€188.92
	Envelope	€230.00
Ballylinan:	Offertory	€278.00
	Envelope	€166.00
Killeen:	Offertory	€158.20
	Envelope	€199.00

*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

## Weekday Mass Schedule

SACRED HEART CHURCH, ARLES

Please note: **No weekday morning masses for this coming week.**



## Parish Contact Details

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The Eist Cancer Support Centre continues to provide emotional support and practical help to anyone affected by cancer, their families and carers.

For more details on the services available please contact us on 085 8661499 or email [info@eistcarlowcancersupport.ie](mailto:info@eistcarlowcancersupport.ie).

## Summertime Prayer

Under the warmth of the summer sun the world awakes and blossoms into every imaginable colour.

You created a garden for us to enjoy, and within it planted the most magical of flowers and trees.

You needed no horticultural training to plan your colour scheme, no gardening expert to recommend variety or design.

Your garden is perfect, its colours harmonious, its scale immense, spoilt only by the clumsiness of those who tend it.

## COVID-19

### Support Line for Older People

Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary.

The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024

### Safeguarding

DLP: Kathleen Sherry, mobile number 085-8021633 and email: [dlp@kandle.ie](mailto:dlp@kandle.ie)

Parish Safeguarding Rep: Christine Oglesby (087) 654 6149

## 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 Email: [permanentdiaconate@kandle.ie](mailto:permanentdiaconate@kandle.ie)

*'You did not choose me but I chose you'*

*John 15:16*

## Our Parish Website

**[arlesparish.ie](http://arlesparish.ie)**

*For latest notices; scripture readings for each day and the following Sunday; mass times; photo galleries; contact numbers; donation details to support our parish; advice on preparing for sacraments etc.*