

## First reading

A reading from the book of Numbers

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again. Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look,' he said 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

*The Word of the Lord*

**Response:** The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.

## Second Reading:

A reading from the letter of St. James.

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them – listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your

## Today's Mass Readings

heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

*The Word of the Lord.*

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord: consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!

## Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us. 'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward. 'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

*The Gospel of the Lord*



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26th September 2021

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Novena Prayer to St. Vincent de Paul

God you were patient with St. Vincent de Paul  
as you moved him from self-centeredness  
to be centred on you.

Help me through his intercession  
to grant me this petition  
and to know that you will grant  
what I desire in your own time

(Mention your intention here...).

I thank you God for everything  
and I will imitate St. Vincent de Paul  
in growing in holiness through prayer,  
participation in the sacraments  
and service to my neighbour  
especially the poor.

Amen.

St. Vincent de Paul is the Patron of all charitable works. Through our hands and by our kindness may we be instruments of charity in our own homes and community. May we help extend the reach of the Lord's compassion and empathy to all. His Feast Day is on Monday 27th September.



# In Memoriam

## Anniversaries for 25 Sept / 26 Sept

Killeen (9am): Tony Coll & deceased family members of the Coll family  
 Arles (10am): Anne Conroy  
 Ballylinan (8pm):  
 (11.30am): Joe, Michael & Nancy Cranny  
 Michael & Mary Condron  
 Tom McDonnell, Carlow Road,  
 (Birthday remembrance)

## Anniversaries for 02 Oct / 03 Oct

Killeen (9am): Ted & Michael Lawless & their parents Mary & Michael.  
 Arles (10am): First Holy Communion  
 Ballylinan (8pm): James & Maria Wall, Clonpierce.  
 John Joe & Angela Brennan.  
 (11.30am): Julia McEvoy

## Parish Office & Shop

Tuesday & Friday 10am – 1pm

arlesparish@gmail.com

*If you wish to book a baptism, wedding, anniversary mass, please contact the Parish Office. Mass cards and religious items available in our parish shop.*



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## Weekly Collections

Sunday 19th September

|             |           |         |
|-------------|-----------|---------|
| Arles:      | Offertory | €103.50 |
|             | Envelope  | €205.00 |
| Ballylinan: | Offertory | €260.15 |
|             | Envelope  | €185.00 |
| Killeen:    | Offertory | €167.30 |
|             | Envelope  | €162.00 |

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

Like every indoor space, facemasks are required to be worn for all our religious ceremonies in our three churches.

Thank you for your co-operation in this regard.



## Safeguarding

DLP: Mick Daly, mobile number 085-8021633 and email: dlp@kandle.ie

Parish Safeguarding Rep: Christine Oglesby (087) 654 6149



## Weekday Mass Schedule

10am: Tuesday - Friday

*Rosary at 9.30am*

Church of the Sacred Heart, Arles

**Who Cares?** is a new information booklet that aims to support and empower carers of people with cognitive impairment/dementia in Laois/Offaly on their caring journey and help them access relevant supports and services that they may require locally and nationally at various times along the route. It also has information that would be of relevance to all carers. This information booklet will be available through both the Alzheimer's Society, (087) 3210642, Family Carers Ireland (057) 932 2920 as well as in local libraries and on the HSE both Laois and Offaly County Council websites for those who were unable to secure copies.

## Sacramental Schedule

### Saturday 2nd October

First Holy Communion

10.30am Ballylinan

12 noon Ballylinan

2pm Killeen



### Sunday 3rd October

First Holy Communion

10am Arles

### Saturday 9th October

Confirmation

11am, 12 noon & 1pm Ballylinan

(3 ceremonies)

## Feast Days During the Week

### Thursday 30th Sept: St. Jerome

*Prayer of St. Jerome*

*Jerome was born at Stridon, a village near Emona on the border of Dalmatia and Pannonia. He is best known for his translation of most of the Bible into Latin (the translation that became known as the Vulgate) and his commentaries on the whole Bible. Jerome attempted to create a translation of the Old Testament based on a Hebrew version, rather than the Septuagint, as Latin Bible translations used to be performed before him. His list of writings is extensive, and beside his Biblical works, he wrote polemical and historical essays, always from a theologian's perspective.*

### Friday 01st Oct: St. Therese of Lisieux

#### The Little Flower

Some wisdom from St. Therese:



*If I did not simply live from one moment to another, it would be impossible for me to be patient; but I only look at the present, I forget the past, and I take good care not to forestall the future.*

*If every flower wanted to be a rose, nature would lose her springtime beauty.*

*I learned from experience that joy does not reside in the things about us, but in the very depths of the soul, that one can have it in the gloom of a dungeon as well as in the palace of a king.*