TODAY'S MASS READINGS



First reading

A reading from the book of Genesis

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. 'My lord,' he said 'I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant's direction.' They replied, 'Do as you say.' Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah.' 'Hurry,' he said 'knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.' Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree. 'Where is your wife Sarah?' they asked him. 'She is in the tent' he replied. Then his guest said, 'I shall visit you again next year without fail, and your wife will then have a son.'

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response: The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Second Reading

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

It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my own body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God's purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'

The Gospel of the Lord







ARLES, BALLYLINAN & KILLEEN NEWSLETTER

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17th July 2022

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel Reflection

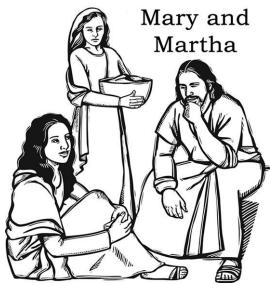
Martha had the strengths and weaknesses of an active person, and Mary had those of a contemplative person. Martha was "worried and troubled", and complaining; but she was also the first on the scene when there was an emergency, her brother's death. Mary was quiet and reflective, but she may (at least on one occasion!) have loved her interior life more than she loved the Lord: John's gospel says, "Mary stayed sitting in her house," while Martha ran out to meet Jesus (John 11:29). Both were unbalanced, in that sense. (Is anyone ever fully balanced?) That is why they needed each other. Each made up for the unbalance of the other.

No one needs to have all the gifts. If I don't have a certain gift, that is all right, because my sister or my brother has it. We are members of one another, and gifts are always for the whole community, not just for the person who has them (see 1 Corinthians 12).

Martha and Mary serve to remind us of the vast differences there can be

between people even in the same family. Jesus loved them both. The Marys of the world can sit in contemplation, while the Marthas are busy doing everything.

Lord of all pots and pans and things, Since I've no time to be A saint by doing lovely things, Or watching late with Thee Or dreaming in the dawnlight, Or storming heaven's gates, Make me a saint by getting meals And washing up the plates.



In Memoriam

Anniversaries for 17 July 2022

Killeen (9am): William & Peggy Ryan

Martin Whelan, Hollymount

Arles (10am): Michael Browne, Ballinakill Jimmy Brennan, formerly Kilcruise

Ballylinan (8pm):

(11.30am): Ann O'Meara

Anniversaries for 24 July 2022

Killeen (9am): John Condron

Arles (10am): Majella Brophy (1st Anniv.)

Willie & Eileen Keightley & their daughter Breda Scanlan

Ballylinan (8pm): Margaret Davis,

Milltown Road.

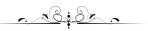
(11.30am): Seamus Morris



Safeguarding

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

Parish Safeguarding Rep: Christine Oglesby (087) 654 6149





Baptisms in August

) Ballylinan: Sun. 7th Aug

Killeen: Sat. 20th Aug at 12pm.

Arles: Sat. 20th Aug at 1pm.

Please contact the Parish Office (059) 862 5456 with your details.

Dates for your Diary

Graveyard/Cemetery Masses

Arles - Friday 12th August at 7.30pm Ballylinan - Friday 19th August at 7.30pm Killeen - Friday 16th September at 7.30pm



Eternal rest grant unto them. O Lord



Weekly Collections

Sunday 10th July

Arles: Offertory € 142.06

Envelope € 199.00

Ballylinan: Offertory € 193.14

Envelope € 167.00

Killeen: Offertory € 191.26

Envelope € 90.00

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

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Join over 1000 young people between 16 and 35 this August at the Youth 2000 Summer Festival. The festival takes

Festival. The festival takes place in Clongowes Wood Col-

lege, Clane, Co Kildare from Thursday 11th August to Sunday 14th August 2022.

For more information and to book your place go to www.youth2000.ie



Killeen Community Festival

23rd July 2022



A Night Under the Stars

BBQ — Movie — Chats

Location adjacent to Farrell's Bar Gates Open at 8.30pm

€20 per ticket

Tickets via Eventbrite

Killeen Kids Festival

23rd July

Killeen Hall

Doors open at 1.30pm, Movie starts at 2pm

Face Painting, Popcorn, Slushies, Disco

€5 each — €15 per family

A day not to be missed!





Whist Drive

In Arles Hall

Every Thursday Night 8.30pm

Prizes & Raffle on the Night

All welcome!



YOUTH MINISTRY GAP YEAR OPPOR-TUNITIES IN ENGLAND

The Diocese of Lancaster are looking for team members to join

their team for the coming year at their retreat centre in the English Lake District. Applicants must be



18+ and interesting in developing their faith. The role involves

working with young people on retreats and occasionally in schools and parishes. Pocket money, accommodation, meals and amenities are provided. Interested? Contact jack@castleriggmanor.co.uk or check

tact jack@castleriggmanor.co.uk or check out castleriggmanor.com



Grandparents Pilgrimage to Knock

Celebration of the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly takes place at Knock Shrine on Sunday 24th July with Mass at 3pm followed by the rosary. Anointing of the sick takes place at 2.30pm.

'Grandparents this is your - day all are welcome'