#### TODAY'S MASS READINGS

#### First reading

A reading from the book of Wisdom

Vanity That night had been foretold to our ancestors, so that, once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their trust in, they would joyfully take courage. This was the expectation of your people, the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies; for by the same act with which you took vengeance on our foes you made us glorious by calling us to you. The devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice in secret and this divine pact they struck with one accord: that the saints would share the same blessings and dangers alike; and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of the fathers.

The Word of the Lord

#### Responsorial Psalm

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

#### Second reading

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for, or prove the existence of the realities that at present remain unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were commended.

It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for a country that was the inheritance given to him and his descendants, and that he set out without knowing where he was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country, with Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. They lived there in tents while he looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God.

It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed that he who had made the promise would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from one man, and one who was already as good as dead himself, more descendants than could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on the seashore.

The Word of the Lord

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! Stay awake and stand ready, because you do not know the hour when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!

#### Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus said 'See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

The Gospel of the Lord







ARLES, BALLYLINAN & KILLEEN NEWSLETTER

Parish Website: arlesparish.ie

07th August 2022

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

# A Trayer for the Home

God of mercy and compassion,

You gave your Son a loving, caring home

with Mary and Joseph.

Together they learned to be a family with all the challenges and rewards that

Sharing a home can bring.



May their story inspire and give courage

To all those who share a home together.

May we, in this home, always cherish one
another and be ready to forgive one another daily.



May our home be a place of welcome for all who come our way.

Amen.

# In Memoriam

#### **Anniversaries for 07 August 2022**

Killeen (9am): John Brophy

Arles (10am): Anthony Brennan (3rd

Anniversary)

Nicholas & Kathleen Maher, their son James & daughter Eileen, The Strand

Ballylinan (8pm):

(11.30am): Betty & Bertie Dineen

### **Anniversaries for 14 August 2022**

Killeen (9am): Kathleen Connolly

Arles (10am): Kevin Fitzpatrick (20th

Anniversary)

Ballylinan (8pm):

(11.30am):

# St. Anne's Choir Ballylinan are

looking for new talent.

We sing mostly at 11.30am on Sundays. If you would like to join us, You would be most welcome.



#### Safeguarding

DLP: Kathleen Sherry, mobile number 085-8021633 and email:

Parish Safeguarding Rep: Christine Oglesby (087) 654 6149



The sick and housebound in the parish will be attended this coming week.

Thursday - Arles

Friday morning - Ballylinan

Friday afternoon - Killeen

If you wish to be added to those who are attended monthly, please ring the Parish Office with your details. (059) 862 5456

# **Gravevard/Cemetery Masses**

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



Weekly Collections

Sunday 31st July

Arles: Offertory € 196.29

> Envelope € 375.00

Ballylinan: Offertory € 217.48

> € 299.00 Envelope

€ 199.54 Killeen: Offertory

> € 127.00 Envelope

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

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#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

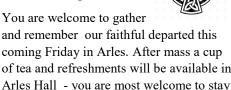


Eucharistic Adoration in St. Anne's Church Ballylinan from 7 to 9pm will take a break for 2 weeks in order to facilitate those who wish to attend the Graveyard/ Cemetery Masses in Arles on

Friday 12th and Ballylinan 19th. August.

## **Arles Graveyard Mass**

# Friday 12th August at 7.30pm



and chat with neighbours and friends.



A big word of thanks to those Mank) who have worked hard over these past few weeks caring for the grounds of the church and the graveyard: those who

weeded the flower beds, painted the gates, cut the hedges, pruned the shrubs, cut the grass, planted window boxes with flowers. and who will provide teas and refreshments for everyone - your kindness and generosity is most appreciated.

Fr. Padraig

# **Graveyard Mass**

in Killabban on Thursday 25th August at 7.30pm.

We remember all who are buried in this ancient site associated with St Abban.

who founded a church in area in 650AD. The existing ruins that occupy this special site date to 13th century.

This year's gathering will be a special occasion, as we have invited Bishop Denis to be the main celebrant of the mass—the first time he will celebrate a mass in this historic site. It would be lovely to see as many people gather together from the four corners of the parish (and further afield as well) to join in celebrating our Christian heritage in this ancient location.

May I take this opportunity also to thank the members of the Killabban Restoration Committee for all their hard work in preserving and securing this ancient site for generations to come, and for maintaining the grounds of the monastery. It is a credit to one and all!

Fr. Padraig



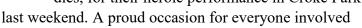
# **Whist Drive**

In Arles Hall

**Every Thursday Night 8.30pm** 

# Well done on a great victory!

Congratulations to Donie, and all the Laois Ladies, for their heroic performance in Croke Park



and great memories for all the supporters throughout the county.