

First reading

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The king's leading men spoke to the king. 'Let Jeremiah be put to death: he is unquestionably disheartening the remaining soldiers in the city, and all the people too, by talking like this. The fellow does not have the welfare of this people at heart so much as its ruin.' 'He is in your hands as you know,' King Zedekiah answered 'for the king is powerless against you.' So they took Jeremiah and threw him into the well of Prince Malchiah in the Court of the Guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the well, only mud, and into the mud Jeremiah sank. Ebed-melech came out from the palace and spoke to the king. 'My lord king,' he said 'these men have done a wicked thing by treating the prophet Jeremiah like this: they have thrown him into the well, where he will die.' At this the king gave Ebed-melech the Cushite the following order: 'Take three men with you from here and pull the prophet Jeremiah out of the well before he dies.'

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response: Lord, come to my aid!

Second reading

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

With so many witnesses in a great cloud on every side of us, we too, then, should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily, and keep running steadily in the race we have started. Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake

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of the joy which was still in the future, he endured the cross, disregarding the shamefulness of it, and from now on has taken his place at the right of God's throne. Think of the way he stood such opposition from sinners and then you will not give up for want of courage. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of death.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

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 said to his disciples: 'I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over! 'Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

The Gospel of the Lord



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14th August 2022

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflection



It is only a few short weeks since Jesus was advising his disciples to greet people with the words 'Peace to this house!' We certainly like to associate Jesus more with peace

than division. When Jesus later appears to the disciples after his resurrection, his first words are 'Peace be with you'. And now here he is talking about division!

At the time that Luke was writing his Gospel, the early Christian community was experiencing division. Households were divided over what to believe. It is not that Jesus was encouraging division; rather, not everyone was ready to accept his teachings. Jesus remains a divisive figure today. People either run towards him or run from him. Division is a natural consequence of Jesus' work, and those who follow him must be willing to sacrifice everything.

This is a challenging Gospel for us. It's

almost as if Jesus is asking us what we are willing to do in his name, if we are truly ablaze with love for him. We may at times face ridicule or rejection from the world. We may have to change the company we keep, or leave old ways of life behind, in order to truly follow him. In this sense there may well be division.



Prayer for the Assumption of Mary

15th August

Father in heaven,
all creation rightly gives you praise,
for all life and all holiness come from
you.

In the plan of your wisdom
she who bore the Christ in her womb
was raised body and soul in glory to be
with him in heaven.
May we follow her example in reflect-
ing your holiness
and join in her hymn of endless love
and praise.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

In Memoriam

Anniversaries for 14 August 2022


Killeen (9am): Kathleen Connolly
 Arles (10am): Kevin Fitzpatrick (20th Anniversary)
 Ballylinan (8pm):
 (11.30am): Michael Byrne


Anniversaries for 15 August 2022

Killeen (9am):
 Arles (10am): Dan Wall
 Ballylinan (11.30am):
Friday 10am: Patrick McDonnell, Rahin, Ballylinan

Anniversaries for 21 August 2022

Killeen (9am):
 Arles (10am): Margaret Doogue (6th Anniv)
 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.



Monday next 15th August, is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a holy day of obligation. Mass times for the Holy Day are as follows:

9am Killeen,
 10am Arles
 11.30am Ballylinan.



Safeguarding

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Weekly Collections

Sunday 07th August

Arles:	Offertory	€ 236.04
	Envelope	€ 190.50
Ballylinan:	Offertory	€ 209.62
	Envelope	€ 178.50
Killeen:	Offertory	€ 218.76
	Envelope	€ 151.00

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

Eucharistic Adoration

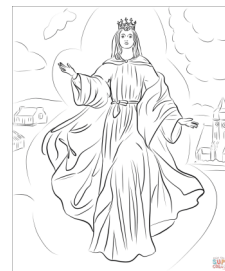


Eucharistic Adoration in St Anne's Church Ballylinan from 7 to 9pm will take a break for next week in order to facilitate those who wish to attend the Cemetery Mass in Ballylinan 19th August.

Feast Days During the Week

Wednesday 17th August: Our Lady of Knock

Prayer to Our Lady of Knock



Our Lady of Knock, Queen of Ireland, you gave hope to your people in a time of distress and comforted them in sorrow. You have inspired countless pilgrims to pray with confidence to your divine Son, remembering His promise, "Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find". Help me to remember that we are all pilgrims on the road to Heaven. Fill me with love and concern for my brothers and sisters in Christ, especially those who live with me. Comfort me when I am sick, lonely or depressed. Teach me how to take part ever more reverently in the Holy Mass. Give me a greater love of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Pray for me now and at the end of my death. Amen

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.

Bishop Denis Nulty will be our man celebrant for the mass.

It would be lovely to see as many people gather together from the four corners of the parish (and further afield as well) to welcome Bishop Denis and join in celebrating our Christian heritage in this ancient location.

Graveyard/Cemetery Masses



This coming Friday we gather in the **Ballylinan Cemetery, Friday 19th August at 7.30pm**, (weather permitting) to remember our dead in Ballylinan.

A word of thanks to our Community Employment scheme for attending to the cemetery and keeping it looking so well. Thanks to all who care for graves and the surrounds. Thanks to those who provide the canopy to shelter the altar, and those who arrange the liturgy, seating and other components for the mass, and those who help with music and readings and prayers.

Delany Archive

The Delany Archive is delighted to hold an online lecture on the topic of education during the episcopate of Dr James Doyle, Bishop of Kildare & Leighlin (1819-1834). This lecture is part of Heritage Week and will take place on Thursday, 18 August 2022, between 7-8.30pm. More information can be found at www.heritageweek.ie/event-listings/bishop-james-doyle-and-education-2



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In Arles Hall

Every Thursday Night 8.30pm



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