

TODAY'S MASS READINGS

First reading

A reading from the book of Exodus

The Lord said to Moses, 'Tell the sons of Israel this: "You must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with them, they will surely cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children orphans. "If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man among you, you must not play the usurer with him: you must not demand interest from him. "If you take another's cloak as a pledge, you must give it back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in? If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity."'

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response: I love you, Lord, my strength.

Second Reading

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul
to the Thessalonians

You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with you, which was for your instruction, and you were led to become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of the great opposition all

round you. This has made you the great example to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia since it was from you that the word of the Lord started to spread – and not only throughout Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to tell other people about it: other people tell us how we started the work among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and became servants of the real, living God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us from the retribution which is coming.

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 Matthew

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the Law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: You must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'

The Gospel of the Lord



CONTACT



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Parish Website: arlesparish.ie

29th October 2023

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Trócaire

Working for a just world.

We ask the Lord to open our hearts and minds to pray for peace, for arms to be laid down, for hostages to be returned home and for the people of Gaza to be supported with humanitarian aid. As followers of Christ, we are called to be beacons of hope in the world.

We call for an immediate ceasefire, humanitarian aid, and lasting peace in Israel and Palestine. We as Arles Parish join with Trócaire and many other voices to pray for peace.

Trócaire calls on all parties involved in the conflict to immediately cease hostilities and all relevant stakeholders to ensure that critical humanitarian access and supports such as food, water and medical supplies are guaranteed. It is imperative that international law is respected by all parties and that civilians and humanitarian workers are protected from harm. Additionally, there needs to be full accountability for all violations of international law.

The latest violence has resulted not only in the loss of innocent Israeli and Palestinian lives but is exacerbating an already unbearable situation in the Gaza Strip where 80% of the population are dependent on humanitarian assistance and poverty levels are catastrophically high.

Trócaire wants peace in Israel and Palestine. We want that peace to be based on mutual respect and understanding, with security, justice and equality for all.

We in Arles Parish join with Pope Francis in saying:

"I renew my appeal for spaces to be opened, for humanitarian aid to continue to arrive and for hostages to be freed.".... War always is a defeat, it is a destruction of human fraternity. Brothers, stop! Stop!"



Pope Francis 22October 2023, Sunday Angelus

Religious Services to attend

Morning Mass (Arles): 10am Tuesday - Friday

Recitation of the Rosary (Arles): 9.30am Tuesday - Friday

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Tuesday 11am - 1pm (Killeen) & Friday 7.30pm - 8.30pm (Ballylinan)

In Memoriam

Anniversaries for 29 October '23

Killeen (9am):

Arles (10am): Thomas & Bridget McLoughlin

Ballylinan (7.30pm): Geraldine McDonald Brennan

(11.30am): Frank McCarthy

Francis & Margaret Foley

Anniversaries for 01 Nov

Killeen (9am):

Arles (10am): Margaret O'Dwyer, Monasterevin

Ballylinan (11.30am):

Anniversaries for 5 November '23

Killeen (9am):

Arles (10am):

Ballylinan (7.30pm): Eamon Kaye

(11.30am):

Feast of All Saints.

Wednesday (1st. Nov.) is a Holy Day. Mass times are as follows:

9am Killeen, 10am Arles & 11.30am Ballylinan

Weekly Collections

Sunday 22nd October

Arles: Offertory €129.71

Envelope €244.00

Ballylinan: Offertory €245.22

Envelope €211.40

Killeen: Offertory €218.09

Envelope €228.60

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

Carlow Flower Club



Our October/Halloween Demonstration is by Therese O'Reilly from Naas Flower and Garden Club, Tuesday 31st October at 8.00pm

Woodford Dolmen Hotel.

All arrangements will be raffled on the night. Competition for all classes will be an arrangement in a Pumpkin. Visitors welcome, visitors fee €10. There will be a plant sale on the night.

Safeguarding

DLP: Ailish Higgins, mobile number 085-8021633 and email: dlp@kandle.ie

Parish Safeguarding Rep: Christine Oglesby (087) 654 6149

Novena of Masses

for those on the November Dead List

You are welcome to attend a novena of Masses for those on the Dead List and light a candle in their memory.

Our weekday morning masses in Arles will be offered for our dead.

The novena will begin on Tuesday 7th Nov to Friday 10th Nov at 10am in Arles Church. On Saturday 11th Nov. at

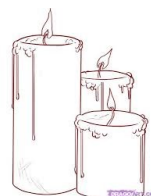
7.30pm in Ballylinan

Church. And in Arles the

following week from

Tuesday 14th to Friday

17th Nov at 10am.



All are welcome

Prayer to St Martin De Porres.

- Saint Martin de Porres -

(Feast Day: 3rd November)



Most humble St. Martin, whose burning charity embraces all, but especially those who are sick, afflicted, or in need, we turn to thee for help in our present difficulties and

we implore thee to obtain for us from God health of soul and body, and in particular the favour we now ask ... (pause to ask favours).

May we, by imitating thy charity and humility, find quiet and contentment all our days, and cheerful submission to God's holy will in all the trials and difficulties of life. Amen.

Conferences on Key Roles of Catechists and Educational Leaders

This November St Kieran's College is welcoming people who will attend two exciting conferences.

The two conferences – one on *International Perspectives on Forming Catechists* and the second on *International Perspectives in Catholic Educational Leadership*, are timely and certainly draw together an impressive group of speakers on these topics. These conferences are a collaboration between St Kieran's College and the University of Notre Dame Australia. Catechists will play a key role in our Church in the years to come. Aware of both the importance of this ministry in the life of the Church internationally and of Catholic educational leadership in general everywhere, the Diocese of Ossory will host these Conferences from 28th November -2nd December 2023, in St Kieran's College, Kilkenny.

Spaces at both conferences will be limited so please book now by emailing:

notredameaustralia@stkieranscollege.ie

November Dead List

The November Dead List can be renewed during this month by contacting Mairead in the Parish Office (Tues & Fri 10am-1pm) or bring it along to any of our novena masses. November Dead List forms are available in all the churches for your convenience.



The **Sick and Housebound** in Ballylinan & Killeen will be attended next Thursday morning 2nd November. Those in Arles will be attended on Thursday afternoon.

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