TODAY'S MASS READINGS

First reading



A reading from the prophet Jonah

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: 'Up!' he

said 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.' Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least.

God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response: Lord, make me know your ways.

Second reading

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

Brothers: our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live

as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! The kingdom of God is close at hand: repent, and believe the Good News. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on a little further, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets. He called them at once and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.

The Gospel of the Lord



Into Your Hands



Dearest Jesus I give myself to you today, knowing that your will is my happiness and that you can bring this about in ways that I may not be able to understand.

Help me this day not to be burdened with the problems I have but to place them in your hand and be free.

Lord, help me remember that in my weakness I have access to your strength, and in my emptiness I have access to the fullness of your love.

May I be filled with loving kindness.

May I feel safe from harm.

May I accept myself as I am.

May I be peaceful and at ease.

Amen.



In Memoriam

Anniversaries for 21 January '24

Killeen (9am):

Arles (10am): Willie & Margaret Brennan

Joe & Kathleen Brennan

Margaret Brennan

Vincent Brennan & Brother Damien Brennan

Ballylinan (7.30pm): Edward & Bessy Lacey

(11.30am):

Anniversaries for 28 January '24

Killeen (9am): Jimmy Moran & Anna Evans,

Ballinagar

James Julian, Grange, (10th Anniversary)

Arles (10am):

Ballylinan (7.30pm): John McHugh

(11.30am):

Graiguecullen Bingo

Tuesday 16th Jan. 2024 in St. Fiaccs Hall at 8.30pm.

Jackpot on 46 numbers €1480

Double number €670,







No morning mass in Arles on Tuesday at 10am

Killeen Altar Society

Wish to thank all those who so generously supported their Christmas flower collection. A total of €573 was



St Brigid's Camino Walk,

Monasterevin Parish

Takes place on Monday 5th February starting at St

Brigid's Shrine, Mountrice at 11am, led by Bishop Denis. The walk will journey to Umeras, reputed birthplace of St Brigid,

continue along the new canal Blueway and finish in Sts Peter & Paul Church, Monasterevin with a service of light at 12.30pm. For more details please contact Monasterevin Parish Office 045-525346





Ladies' Fitness Classes are running in

Killeen Hall every Monday and Thursday at 8pm.



Newcomers are always welcome to join. For more information, contact Rabea on 0866005442.

Parish Contact Details



Parish Office: (059) 862 5456

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TAKE ADVANTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD CLEAR OUTS THIS WINTER!! FUNDRAISER CLOTHING COLLECTION



in aid of Parents Association St Abban's NS Killeen

Drop off....to Killeen Hall Tues (Feb 20th) & Friday

23rd 8:30-9:30am & 01:30-02:30pm Saturday 24th 11am-3pm and final drop Monday February 26th 8:30-10am We accept All Womens, Mens and Childrens Clothing, Paired Footwear, handbags, Belts, Soft toys (teddies), Curtains, Towels, Bedlinen (duvet covers, sheets, pillowcases, Blankets, throws) NO PILLOWS OR DUVETS OR CARPETS All Support is greatly appreciated!

Gracious God

We ask that you send your spirit upon our Catholic Schools



Help all of us, to be, as charitable as St. Brigid, as prophetic as St. Conleth, and as prayerful as St. Laserian.

May we use our gifts to help each other. May everyone in our schools be living witnesses of your love and care for the world

May our school communities be the places of faith hope and love that you call us to be.

Amen

Ballylinan NS. Enrolment is now open for junior infants at Ballylinan NS. Applications will be accepted via www.ballylinannationalschool.com until Friday February 9th. For further information contact the school at 059 8625195 or principal@ballylinanns.com

Community Employment Scheme

Vacancies

Applications on jobsireland.ie and enquiries to CE Supervisor 087 2232515.

Ballylinan Village CES 2311317 – immediate start.

St. Joseph's Cemetery, Ballyadams CES2315966 – immediate start.

The Swan Community Hall & Village CES2311320 – immediate start.

Ballylinan Church & Hall CES2315963 – from 22nd January

Ballylinan Playground & Village CES2311318 – from 29th January

Killeen Hall & Playground CES2311319from 29th January

