

First reading

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy



Moses said to the people: 'Put this question to the ages that are past, that went before you, from the time

God created man on earth: Was there ever a word so majestic, from one end of heaven to the other? Was anything ever heard? Did ever a people hear the voice of the living God speaking from the heart of the fire, as you heard it, and remain alive? Has any god ventured to take to himself one nation from the midst of another by ordeals, signs, wonders, war with mighty hand and outstretched arm, by fearsome terrors – all this that the Lord your God did for you before your eyes in Egypt?

'Understand this today, therefore, and take it to heart: the Lord is God indeed, in heaven above as on earth beneath, he and no other. Keep his laws and commandments as I give them to you today, so that you and your children may prosper and live long in the land that the Lord your God gives you for ever.'

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

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

Second Reading

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

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is

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the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; the God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

The Gospel of the Lord



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26th May 2024

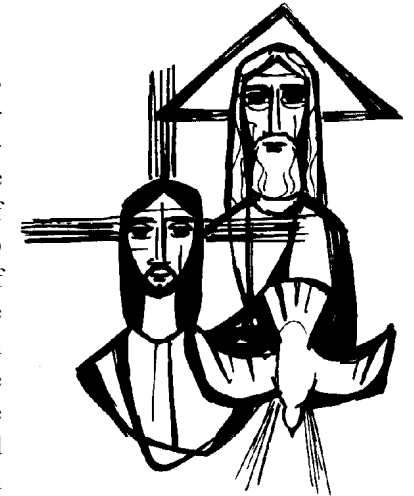
The Most Holy Trinity

Fullness of Love

A popular expression tells us that "Two is company, three is a crowd". But the gospel would have it otherwise, for there, the figure three symbolises completeness and perfect symmetry, and re-appears at all the key moments of the story of our Lord. His life itself constantly reflected the Trinity. Three figures make up the nativity scene in Bethlehem – the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. Their first visitors were the three wise men. Later, in the desert preparing to begin his public life, Jesus was tempted three times by the devil. A good story should have a beginning, a middle and an end. Christ was a storyteller par excellence and three figures prominently in his parables. The Prodigal Son is about a father and his two sons; the Good Samaritan tells of the behaviour of three passers-by, the priest, the Levite and the Samaritan; the sower sowed his seed in three different types of terrain, yielding three different levels of harvest. The end of his life, as the beginning, has again the three motif. During his Passion, Peter denied him thrice. On the road to Calvary, he fell three times. The crucifixion scene has three figures, Christ between two thieves. Before his resurrection, he spent three days in the tomb.

God is love, as St John so powerfully stated. And in God there are Three Persons, the loving Trinity, the Father the Son and the Holy Spirit. Together they represent the fullness of love. The Father loves the Son, the Son loves the Father. The Holy Spirit is their love for each other. We are made in the image of a triune God. God the Father, who created us, his Son who saved us, and the Holy Spirit who continues to guide us. Our lives should reflect the Trinity. We should be always creative like the Father, compassionate like his Son, and dispose our talents in the service of others like the Holy Spirit.

Liam Swords



Religious Services to attend

Morning Mass (Arles): 10am Tuesday - Friday

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

Confession: After 10am Arles Mass (First Friday)

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

In Memoriam

Anniversaries for 26 May '24

Killeen (9am): Jim McDonald (1st Anniversary)
Kathleen Simpson

Arles (10am): Christy Rowan, Tolerton

Ballylinan (8pm): Jim Doyle, Gurteen (3rd Anniversary)

(11.30am): Bridie & Willie Kaye

Anniversaries for 2 June '24

Killeen (9am):

Arles (10am):

Ballylinan (8pm): Jimmy Farrell

(11.30am): Tom Brennan
Pauline Moore

Anniversaries for 9 June '24

Killeen (9am): Lorraine Dunne

Arles (10am):

Ballylinan (7.30pm): Ballylinan Cemetery Mass

(11.30am): Eamonn Byrne
Betty Kealy

Safeguarding

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Dates for your Diary

Graveyard/Cemetery Masses

Killeen - Friday 7th June at 7.30pm
Ballylinan - Saturday 8th June at 7.30pm
Mayo - Friday 14th June at 7.30pm
Killabban - Friday 21st June at 7.30pm
Arles - Friday 5th July at 7.30pm

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord

Weekly Collections

Sunday 19th May

Arles:	Offertory	€135.33
	Envelope	€249.00
Ballylinan:	Offertory	€344.25
	Envelope	€158.00
Killeen:	Offertory	€130.34
	Envelope	€138.00

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

Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine

KNOCK Sunday 2nd June 2024

Ceremonies begin at 2.30pm in the Basilica

Spioraid Naoimh Praying Community Growth in the Holy Spirit Pentecost Retreat

St. Peters and Paul's Parish Church
Portlaoise and Parish Centre



Friday 31st May 7pm - 9 pm

Opening Mass Fr. Ruairi
O'Domhnaill PP Newbridge

Saturday 1st June

Mass at 10.00 am - Confessions available in Church. Retreat continues in Parish Centre from 10.45 am to 4 pm. Closing Mass at 3 pm Fr. Adriano de Oliveira C.C Portlaoise

(Exposition, Rosary, Holy Spirit Novena, Praise & Worship, Teaching, Prayer Ministry)

Contact: Michael Nerney 086 8157305 Spiritual Director Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill P.P

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www.spioraidnaoimh.com

All Welcome



Solemn Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

St. Clare's Graiguecullen
8th April - 3rd June 2024

Time: 7.30pm (Rosary at 7.10pm)

27th May

Speaker: Prof Jim Lucey

Inspector with Mental Health Commission -
writer, broadcaster & public speaker

Blessing of the Sick will place at this mass

Notice



No morning mass in Arles next week.

It will resume on Friday 7th June at 10am

Carlow Flower Club

Carlow Flower Club's May meeting will be a demonstration by Elizabeth Murray. AOIFA Judge, Teacher and Demonstrator.



Event takes place on Tuesday 28th May at 8.00pm in the Woodford Dolmen Hotel.

Visitors entry fee €10. Competition for all classes, "The Maypole".

Club AGM will be held after the demonstration.



Carlow Choral Society

with the RTE Concert Orchestra will perform

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in Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow on Friday 31st May 2024 at 8pm.

Suggested patronage for people over 16 years is €25.

Ticket from choir members or Eventbrite.ie

Parish Office & Shop

The Parish Office will be closed next week. It will reopen again at 10am on Tuesday 4th June.

No Newsletter next weekend.



Whist Drive

In Arles Hall every Thursday Night 8.30pm