

## First reading

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The spirit came into me and made me stand up, and I heard the Lord speaking to me. He said, 'Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, to the rebels who have turned against me. Till now they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me. The sons are defiant and obstinate; I am sending you to them, to say, "The Lord says this." Whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall know there is a prophet among them.'

*The Word of the Lord*

**Response:** Our eyes are on the Lord till he show us his mercy.

## Second Reading:

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

In view of the extraordinary nature of these revelations, to stop me from getting too proud I was given a thorn in the flesh, an angel of Satan to beat me and stop me from getting too proud! About this thing, I have pleaded with the Lord three times for it to leave me, but he has said, 'My grace is enough for you: my power is at its best in weakness.' So I shall be very happy to make my weaknesses my special boast so that the power of Christ may stay over me, and that is why I am quite content with my weaknesses, and with insults, hardships, persecutions, and the agonies I go through for Christ's sake. For it is when I am weak that I am strong.

*The Word of the Lord.*

## TODAY'S MASS READINGS

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us: to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!

### Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Jesus went to his home town and his disciples accompanied him. With the coming of the sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished when they heard him. They said, 'Where did the man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been granted him, and these miracles that are worked through him? This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they not here with us?' And they would not accept him. And Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is only despised in his own country, among his own relations and in his own house'; and he could work no miracle there, though he cured a few sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

*The Gospel of the Lord*



# CONTACT



ARLES, BALLYLINAN & KILLEEN NEWSLETTER



Parish Website: arlesparish.ie

7th July 2024

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Ukrainian Greek Catholic Priests Released from Russian Captivity

It is with immense gratitude that Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) informs about the release from Russian captivity of Fathers Ivan Levitsky and Bohdan Geleta, on June 28, 2024, as has been confirmed by the Information Department of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church (UGCC), to which they belong.

The priests are members of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer and were arrested in occupied Berdyansk on November 16, 2022. Despite the danger, following the full-scale invasion in February 2022, Fathers Ivan Levitsky and Bohdan Geleta chose to stay in the occupied territories, ministering to both Greek and Roman Catholic communities and providing hope under occupation.

During their captivity, Fathers Levitsky and Geleta were accused of illegal possession of weapons, charges fabricated to justify their imprisonment. Their prolonged detention was marked by a lack of concrete information about their whereabouts and wellbeing, despite reports of torture and abuse. Despite this, their faith and hope persisted.

The head of the UGCC, Major Archbishop Sviatoslav Shevchuk, expressed profound gratitude to the Holy See, particularly to Pope Francis, Cardinal Pietro Parolin, Cardinal Matteo Zuppi, and Archbishop Visvaldas Kulbokas, the Apostolic Nuncio to Ukraine, for their efforts in securing the priests' release.

Despite the joy of this news, ACN recalls that many innocent civilians remain in custody and invites its friends and benefactors to continue to pray for their release and for peace in Ukraine.



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## 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

**We pray for:** Frank Feehan, Ballickmoyler who died during the past week.

### Anniversaries for 07 July '24

**Killeen (9am):** Billy Kelly, Coolenaugh

(24th Anniversary)

**Arles (10am):**

**Ballylinan (8pm):** Margaret Davis, Milltown Road,

Andrew Brennan, Carlow

**(11.30am):**

### Anniversaries for 14 July '24

**Killeen (9am):** Martin Whelan, Hollymount

John Moran (1st Anniversary) & his wife  
Loretta (2nd Anniversary)

John Oglesby

**Arles (10am):** Michael Browne, Ballinakill

Michael Kane, Tennisrath.

**Ballylinan (8pm):** Bridget Nolan, Oldcourt

(1st Anniversary)

**(11.30am):**

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord*

## Askea Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Askea Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place 18th -22nd August 2024. Spiritual Director Fr Tom Little PP. Bishop Denis Nulty will be travelling with this pilgrimage.

Cost €965.00 p/p sharing a twin/double room. For further information, contact Tully's Travel, Carlow 059 9136100.



### Safeguarding

DLP: Kathleen Sherry, mobile number 085-8021633 and email: dlp@kandle.ie

Parish Safeguarding Rep: Christine Oglesby (087) 654 6149

### Please Note:

There will be no 10am mass in Arles this coming Wednesday morning.

## Catholic Grandparents Association Pilgrimage to Knock



Takes place this year on the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, Sunday 28th July. Archbishop Luis Mariano Montemayor, Papal Nuncio of Ireland will lead the pilgrimage. Anointing of the sick takes place at 2.30pm in the Basilica followed by Mass and a Rosary Procession.

*All are welcome to attend.*

## Whist Drive

In Arles Hall every Thursday Night 8.30pm

*All welcome.*



## Exciting career opportunity at Lough Derg!

Recruitment has begun for a full-time Pastoral Programmes Coordinator. If you or someone you know might be interested in applying please contact Maureen at [mboyle@loughderg.org](mailto:mboyle@loughderg.org) or see advert on [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org) for further details. Lough Derg, Sanctuary of St Patrick, Pettigo, Co Donegal.



## Village Meeting

**Tuesday 16th July 2024 8pm**

**St Anne's Hall, Ballylinan**

University students (along with funding from Cllr Ashling Moran) will conduct a health survey with regard the infrastructure of Ballylinan. It is hoped to have a variety of ages from old to young to attend a public meeting to find out what is needed. Funding of €10,000 is available for this project. It is hoped to elect a steering committee on the night to work alongside the students and Ashling.

*Your attendance is of upmost importance so do please come along with your concerns and ideas.*

## Arles NS School Secretary



The Board of Management of Arles National School invites applications for the position of school secretary, for 12 hours per week (over 3 or 4 days), covering the school calendar year. Letter of application, CV, List of Referees and Copy of Certificates, Diplomas, Degrees can be emailed to [secretary24@arlesnationalschool.ie](mailto:secretary24@arlesnationalschool.ie) by 5pm on Monday 8th July.

For further information on this position, please see [educationposts.ie](http://educationposts.ie).

## BALLYLINAN BALLYADAMS



**CE SCHEME has the following vacancies :**

**IMMEDIATE VACANCIES – JULY 2024**

St Joseph's Cemetery, Ballyadams – Ref 2343535

The Swan Community Hall & Village – Ref 2343537

Office Administrative Assistant, Luggacurren - Ref 2343541

Ballylinan Village - Ref 2343544

**UPCOMING VACANCIES – END JULY / AUGUST 2024**

Ballylinan Playground – Ref 2343531

Killeen Hall & Playground – Ref 2343533

St Anne's Church & St Anne's Hall, Ballylinan – Ref 2343534

Ballylinan Village – Ref 2343542

Luggacurren Church & Village – Ref 2343564

Enquiries to CE Supervisor on 087 2232515.

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