First reading

A reading from the second book of Kings

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing Elisha, the man of God, bread from the first-fruits, twenty barley loaves and fresh grain in the ear.' 'Give it to the people to eat', Elisha said. But his servant replied, 'How can I serve this to a hundred men?' 'Give it to the people to eat' he insisted 'for the Lord says this, "They will eat and have some left over." He served them; they ate and had some left over, as the Lord had said.

The Word of the Lord

Response: You open wide your hand, O Lord, and grant our desires.

Second Reading:

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

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, over all, through all and within all.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life; you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

Today's Mass Readings



Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus went off to the other side of the Sea of Galilee – or of Tiberias – and a large crowd followed him, impressed by the signs he gave by curing the sick. Jesus climbed the hillside, and sat down there with his disciples. It was shortly before the Jewish feast of Passover.

Looking up, Jesus saw the crowds approaching and said to Philip, 'Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?' He only said this to test Philip; he himself knew exactly what he was going to do. Philip answered, 'Two hundred denarii would only buy enough to give them a small piece each.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said, 'There is a small boy here with five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that between so many?' Jesus said to them, 'Make the people sit down.' There was plenty of grass there, and as many as five thousand men sat down. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and gave them out to all who were sitting ready; he then did the same with the fish, giving out as much as was wanted. When they had eaten enough he said to the disciples, 'Pick up the pieces left over, so that nothing gets wasted.' So they picked them up, and filled twelve hampers with scraps left over from the meal of five barley loaves. The people, seeing this sign that he had given, said, 'This really is the prophet who is to come into the world.' Jesus, who could see they were about to come and take him by force and make him king, escaped back to the hills by himself.

The Gospel of the Lord



A Prayer for Peace

Lord God of peace, hear our prayer!

We have tried so many times and over so many years to resolve our conflicts by our own powers and by the force of our arms. How many moments of hostility and darkness have we experienced; how much blood has been shed; how many lives have been shattered; how many hopes have been buried... But our efforts have been in vain.

Now, Lord, come to our aid! Grant us peace, teach us peace; guide our steps in the way of peace. Open our eyes and our hearts, and give us the courage to say: "Never again war!"; "With war everything is lost". Instil in our hearts the courage to take concrete steps to achieve peace.

Lord, God of Abraham, God of the Prophets, God of Love, you created us and you call us to live as brothers and sisters. Give us the strength daily to be instruments of peace; enable us to see everyone who crosses our path as our brother or sister. Make us sensitive to the plea of our citizens who entreat us to turn our weapons of war into implements of peace, our trepidation into

confident trust, and our quarrelling into forgiveness.

Keep alive within us the flame of hope, so that with patience and perseverance we may opt for dialogue and reconciliation. In this way may peace triumph at last, and may the words "division", "hatred" and "war" be banished from the heart of every man and woman. Lord, defuse the violence of our tongues and our hands. Renew our hearts and minds, so that the word which always brings us together will be "brother", and our way of life will always be that of: Shalom, Peace, Salaam!

Amen.

Pope Francis (8 June 2014)



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 28 July '24

Killeen (9am): John Condron

Lily Byrne, Grange

Arles (10am):

Ballylinan (8pm): Seamus Morris (9th Anniversary)

(11.30am): Edmund & Jane Hogan

Tuesday 28th: Thomas & Margaret Delaney & their son Michael & The Moore Family, Farnans.

Anniversaries for 4 August '24

Killeen (9am): John Brophy

Arles (10am): Frank Feehan (Months Mind)

Anthony Brennan

Ballylinan (8pm):

(11.30am): Michael Walsh, Sheadog, Ballylinan,

(1st Anniversary)

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord

Homemade Sweets for sale

Chocolate Brownie biscuit Cake, cheesecake, Georgian Sweets.

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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 or see advert

on www.loughderg.org for further details. Lough Derg, Sanctuary of St Patrick, Pettigo, Co Donegal.





First Friday of August

Confessions after 10am Mass in Arles

| | Weekly Collections Sunday 21st July | | |
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| | | | |
| | Arles: | Offertory | €154.70 |
| | | Envelope | €278.00 |
| | Ballylinan: | Offertory | €244.52 |
| | | Envelope | €471.00 |
| | Killeen: | Offertory | €90.53 |
| | | Envelope | €170.00 |

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

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Light the Fire Pilgrimage

The Light the Fire Pilgrimage at Ballintubber Abbey, Co Mayo will take place on Sunday, 4 August, from 12.00pm to 4.00pm. Archbishop Francis Duffy, along with Deacon John Taaffe will celebrate Mass as part of the Light the Fire rosary/healing service. Eurovision's Dana Rosemary Scanlon will also sing her new song for Saint Patrick which recalls how our patron saint lit the fire of faith.

Below is a schedule of events for the day

12 – 1pm Gathering
1.15pm Rosary

2pm Holy Mass

3pm. Eucharist Healing Service

4pm Depart for home

For further information please see https://www.ballintubberabbey.ie/light-the-fire-2024/



An Tairseach Autumn 2024 Programme

An Tairseach, the Wicklow based, Cabra Dominican sponsored Centre for Ecology, Spirituality and Theology is delighted to share with you our upcoming courses, workshops, and 4-week sabbatical programme for the autumn season with wide-ranging events planned from September 13th to November 1st, 2024.

Booking essential, please contact: info@antairseach.ie /0404 61833.



For further details, see www.antairseach.ie/events.



Graiguecullen Bingo Tuesday 30th July

St. Fiacc's Hall at 8.30pm.

Jackpot on 50 numbers €2130.

Double number €1860

Lotto €1750.





Missionaries of Africa

(White Fathers)

Mission Appeal

Next weekend at all our masses

Sat 3rd & Sun 4th August

Your support would be appreciated.