

## First reading

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed. My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start proceedings against me? Then let us go to court together. Who thinks he has a case against me? Let him approach me. The Lord is coming to my help, who will dare to condemn me?

*The Word of the Lord*

**Response:** I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

## Second Reading:

A reading from the letter of St. James.

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty', without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead.

This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds – now you prove

to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'

*The Word of the Lord.*

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord; No one can come to the Father except through me. Alleluia!

## Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

*The Gospel of the Lord*



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Parish Website: arlesparish.ie

15th September 2024

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Season of Creation 2024 Prayer

Triune God, Creator of all,

We praise you for your goodness, visible in all the diversity that you have created, making us a cosmic family living in a common home. Through the Earth you created, we experience love and nourishment, home and protection.

We confess that we do not relate to the Earth as a Mothering gift from you, our Creator. Our selfishness, greed, neglect, and abuse have caused the climate crisis, loss of biodiversity, human suffering as well as the suffering of all our fellow creatures. We confess that we have failed to listen to the groans of the Earth, the groans of all creatures, and the groans of the Spirit of hope and justice that lives within us.

May your Creator Spirit help us in our weakness, so that we may know the redeeming power of Christ and the hope found in him. May the groans of the Spirit birth in us a willingness to serve you faithfully, so that we may hear and heal Creation, to hope and act together with her, so that the firstfruits of hope may blossom.

Loving and Creator God, we pray that you will make us sensitive to these groans and enable us to have the same compassion as that of Jesus, the redeeming Lord. Grant us a fresh vision of our relationship with Earth, and with one another, as creatures that are made in your image.

In the name of the one who came to proclaim the good news to all Creation, Jesus Christ.

Amen.



## 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 15 September '24

**Killeen (9am):** Ellen Kenna

**Arles (10am):** Elizabeth Browne, The Rushes

(22nd Anniversary)

Danny Brennan, Arles

Br. Damien Brennan

**Ballylinan (8pm):**

**(11.30am):**

### Anniversaries for 22 September '24

**Killeen (9am):**

**Arles (10am):**

**Ballylinan (8pm):**

**(11.30am):** Julia McEvoy

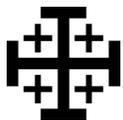
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord

### The Climate Crisis – what can we do?

In response to the Climate Crisis, you are invited to a Webinar facilitated by Jane Mellett of Trócaire on Thursday 19th September at 7.30 pm. To register for this webinar, click the following link <https://bit.ly/3XDKJct> and enter your name and address



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### Weekly Collections

#### Sunday 8th September

Arles:	Offertory	€116.94
	Envelope	€223.20
Ballylinan:	Offertory	€275.60
	Envelope	€156.50
Killeen:	Offertory	€112.13
	Envelope	€115.00

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

### Carlow Flower Club

Carlow Flower Club begin their 2024/25 season on Tuesday 24th September next at 8.00pm in the Woodford Dolmen Hotel, Kilkenny Road, Carlow.

New members always welcome. The club meets on the last Tuesday of every month. Annual membership €40.00. (Visitors €10 per night). The September Demonstrator will be Marie Walsh AOIFA Demonstrator from Waterford Flower Club.

Looking forward to welcoming back all our members and friends.



### County Carlow Environmental Network (CCEN)



#### Free Film Viewing Event

You are invited to see “The Rights of Nature” film on Wed the 25th of September in the Visual, Carlow town at 7pm. It is an Irish-made film about what if species had rights? Learn about how to speak for species without a voice, and how we can redefine our relationship with the natural world. You will be invited after the film to a discussion about the film in the Visual bar area. There will be a guest speaker.

FREE admission, but booking is necessary: <https://visualcarlow.ie/whats-on/the-rights-of-nature>

### Visit of the Relic of St Bernadette

In September and October this year, the relics of Saint Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage to Ireland for the very first time, visiting every diocese in the country. This very special, once-in-lifetime event will provide an opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes in their diocese.



The relics of St Bernadette will visit Kildare and Leighlin this **October, on the 7th in Carlow Cathedral and on the 8th in Portlaoise Parish.** Further details relating to the visit to Kildare & Leighlin will follow shortly.

### Arles ICA

The ICA are hosting a course of Art Classes for 5 weeks, starting Wednesday 18th Sept. (7.30-9.30pm)

*All are welcome*

*Please contact (087) 186 2435 for further details.*



### Invitation to Meditation



Carlow Meditation Group meets on Monday evenings from 7 pm to 7:45 pm in the Cathedral Parish Centre, College Street, Carlow - excluding bank holidays. Meditation, the universal practice of silent contemplation, can awaken the heart, deepen our spiritual sensitivity and promote our wellbeing.

All are welcome - no experience needed.

No need to book – just turn up on any Monday evening! (Noel Keating, 087 2251183)

### St. Pio's Feast Day Mass

A mass to celebrate the Feast of St. Pio will take place on Monday 23rd Sept at 7.30pm in St. Mary's Church, Edenderry.

After mass St. Pio's glove will be available to anyone wishing to be blessed.

*All are welcome.*



### Safeguarding

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