

TODAY'S MASS READINGS

First reading

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy



Moses said to the people: 'If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord the God of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow.'

'Listen, Israel: the Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart.'

The Word of the Lord

Response: I love you, Lord, my strength.

Second Reading:

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

There used to be a great number of priests under the former covenant, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows, then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him.

To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to

be holy, innocent and uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; one who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and then for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever.

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!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, 'Well spoken, Master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.' Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken, said, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' And after that no one dared to question him any more.

The Gospel of the Lord



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3rd November 2024

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel Reflection

Today we hear a very famous Gospel passage which we might dismiss easily because we feel we know it so well. Love God. Love your neighbour. It sounds simple, yet it can be so difficult. Loving God in our world today means being counter-cultural; often we are afraid to even admit that we are believers. Finding time for God can be impossible due to our hectic lifestyles; we are addicted to 'busy' and have become 'time poor'. Yet we can learn to see God in the everyday, right before us, in each task, in nature, in our friends and family. We might ask ourselves today, what prevents me from loving God, for making time for God in my life? For nourishing my relationship with God?



The love of neighbour which Jesus speaks of it a controversial love. It involves a love of people we don't know or like. It is a radical love of those that society want to dismiss: love of the migrant, love of the homeless family, love of the drug addict, love of the prisoner, love of the earth, love of the climate refugee. Love God and Love Neighbour – it sounds so simple yet these are the toughest, most radical lines in the Gospel. It sounds like two commandments and yet they are one, interconnected and inseparable, for to love God we must love our neighbour. And by loving our neighbour we are loving God. Today let us all ask ourselves how we can live more fully this great commandment and be a shining example of Christ's love in the world.



Jane Mellett

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 03 November '24

Killeen (9am): Mary Behan, Tierernane
(1st Anniversary)
Michael & Patricia Daly

Arles (10am):

Ballylinan (7.30pm): Johnny & Mary Dunne,
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(11.30am):

Anniversaries for 10 November '24

Killeen (9am): Carol Miller

Arles (10am): Edward, Rose, Kathleen & Michael
Gleeson

May & Tim Kavanagh

Elizabeth & Patrick Storey

Martin, Ann & John Mealy

Margaret & James Wall, Ballinagall

Ballylinan (7.30pm): Peter & Josie Dunne, Carlow
Road & Breda Daly

(11.30am):

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord

Notice

The Parish Office will be closed next week.
No newsletter next weekend.



Novena of Masses for those on the November Dead List

The novena will begin on Tuesday 12th Nov to Friday 15th Nov at 10am in Arles Church. And in Arles the following week from Tuesday 19th to Friday 22nd Nov at 10am. The final mass will be on Saturday 23rd Nov. at 7.30pm in Ballylinan Church.

All are welcome

Safeguarding

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

Parish Safeguarding Rep: Christine Oglesby (087) 654 6149



Free Film Viewing

You are invited to see "Once Upon a Forest" film on Wed the 6th of Nov in the Visual, Carlow town at 7pm. This film is about a celebrated Swedish artist who when a climate related crisis strikes the forest where she lives and works, is forced into a new type of creativity in order to save the place that once upon a time saved her. Discussion about Irish forestry and climate related issues upstairs in the bar after the film. Everyone is welcome.

FREE admission, but booking is necessary: <https://visualcarlow.ie/whats-on/film>

St. Martin Triduum

Dominican Church, Newbridge
4th - 6th Nov. Masses 10am & 6pm

First Communion Parents Meeting



A meeting to arrange the Parish Programme for the children will take place on Wednesday 20th November at 7.30pm in Arles Hall for the parents of each of our three parish schools.



November Dead List

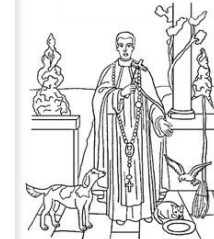
The November Dead List can be renewed during this month by contacting Mairead in the Parish Office (Tues & Fri 10am-1pm) or bring it along to any of our novena masses. November Dead List forms are available in all the churches for your convenience.



Prayer to St Martin De Porres.

- Saint Martin de Porres -

(Feast Day: 3rd November)



Most humble St. Martin, whose burning charity embraces all, but especially those who are sick, afflicted, or in need, we turn to thee for help in our present difficulties and we implore thee to obtain for us from God health of soul and body, and in particular the favour we now ask ... (pause to ask favours).

May we, by imitating thy charity and humility, find quiet and contentment all our days, and cheerful submission to God's holy will in all the trials and difficulties of life.

Amen.

Rosary for Peace

Each Sunday morning before Sunday Mass.



In Killeen (at 8.40am)

In Arles (at 9.40am)

In Ballylinan (at 11.10am)

Join us to pray for peace.

November Masses for the Dead & Recently Bereaved



During the month of November we remember those who have died and especially those who have passed away since this time last year. If you would like to have somebody remembered at these masses in our churches please ring our contacts below:

Arles—Mary McDonald Byrne 087- 057 2591

Killeen—Christine Oglesby 087-654 6149

Ballylinan—Margaret Brennan 086-3254931



Killeen Mass, Thursday 28th Nov at 7.30pm

Arles Mass, Friday 29th Nov at 7.30pm

Ballylinan Mass Saturday 30th Nov at 7.30pm

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