# Holy Week Ceremonies

### **Holy Thursday**

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.30pm in St. Abban's Church, Killeen.

Please bring along your Trócaire box to this mass.

Adoration will continue in the Church until 9pm.

Confessions heard during Adoration.

# **Good Friday**

Day of Fast and Abstinence

**Good Friday Ceremonies** 

Ballylinan: 3pm

(Confessions: 2.30pm –3pm)

Station of the Cross

Arles: 7.30pm

(Confessions: 7pm -7.30pm)



# **Holy Saturday**

Vigil Mass: 8pm in Arles

(Confessions: 7.30pm - 8pm)

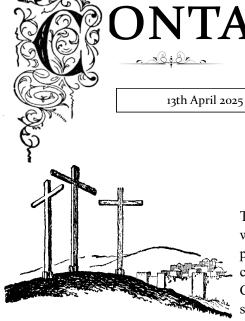


### **Easter Sunday**

Killeen 9am

Arles 10am

Ballylinan 11.30am





# Reflection

The Cross is a unique axis in time. It is where time and timelessness intersect. All past, present, and future pain were physically carried up the Hill of Calvary in this Cross. This darkness is carried up the hill so that it could face the new dawn of Resurrection and become transfigured. In es-

sence, the Cross and the Resurrection are one thing. They are not subsequent to each other. The Resurrection is the inner light hidden at the heart of darkness in the Cross. On Easter morning, this light explodes onto the world. This is the mystery of the Eucharist. The Eucharist is a fascinating place; it embraces Calvary and Resurrection within the one circle. In Christian terms, there is no way to light or glory except through the sore ground under the dark weight of the Cross. The Cross is a lonely forsaken symbol. Good Friday is always deeply lonesome. There is an eerie and disturbing sadness at the heart of this day. On Good Friday, the pain of the world is returning to the Cross, awaiting transfiguration again.

John O'Donohue-Eternal Echoes



### **Distribution of Blessed Palm Crosses After Mass**



Following our masses this weekend you are welcome to take a Blessed Palm Cross for your own home—it is a lovely expression of our desire to welcome the Lord into our homes.





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 13 April 2025**

Killeen (9am): Sheila Byrne, The Forge

Ann McDonald, Killabban (14th Anniversary)

Arles (10am): Julie Brodrick (2nd Anniversary)

Inez Feehan (5th Anniversary)

Collie Kennedy

Michael & Moira Bolger

Ballylinan (8pm): Rose Brennan Jordan, Bernard Bren

nan & deceased members of the Brennan family.

James, Elizabeth, JJ & Paddy Brennan, Clonpierce (11.30am):

### **Anniversaries for 20 April 2025**

Our Masses on Easter Sunday are offered for all our faithful departed.

May they know the joy of the Risen Lord in the happiness of heaven.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord

Offering Envelope: The annual Easter Clergy Collection for takes place at all Masses this coming Easter weekend. As always, we appreciate people's ongoing generous financial support.

Our usual Church Collectors are asked to attend for this collection.



### **Weekly Collections**

Sunday 6th April

Offertory €94.77 Arles:

> Envelope €349.00

Ballylinan: Offertory €271.75

> Envelope €311.00

€87.83 Killeen: Offertory

> Envelope €300.00

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

# **Trocaire**

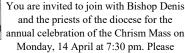
Parishioners are invited to return their Trócaire Boxes to any of our three churches over the Easter period. Many thanks for your support for the Lenten Campaign.

#### Sick and Housebound

Fr. Padraig will attend those in the Arles area on Tuesday (15th April), and those in Killeen & Ballylinan areas on Wednesday (16th April).



If you wish to be added to those who are attended monthly, please ring the Parish Office with your details (059) 862 5456.



**Chrism Mass** 

come early to ensure a seat. Refreshments afterwards in Carlow College, St Patrick's. Music led by Fr Liam Lawton and the diocesan choir.



#### PALM SUNDAY PRAYER



Loving Father, with palm branches we recall when Jesus was welcomed by crowds into the city of Jerusalem. Bless us with your Spirit as we prepare to journey through Holy Week. May we find time to

listen again to the story of the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus. There, may we discover the love of God, which knows no bounds. We bring with us our suffering and pain, our worry and loss and the suffering, pain, worry and loss of the whole world at this time. May we hear proclaimed this coming Easter Day that Jesus is risen! May we have our hope renewed in God who brings good out of bad and even life out of death. Amen

### Safeguarding

DLP: Ailish Higgins, mobile number 085-8021633 and email: dlp@kandle.ie Parish Safeguarding Rep: Christine Oglesby (087) 654 6149



# Parish Office & Shop

Parish Office & Shop (059) 862 5456 will be closed on Tuesday at 1pm for Easter. It will reopen again on Tuesday 29th April at 10am.

### Arles ICA Art classes

Will run for 5 weeks from 25th April 2025

Time: 7pm to 9pm in Arles Hall

Enquires & bookings: Claire Brennan 087 186 2435

### **Easter Cake Sale**



Arles Parents' Association are pleased to announce the return of our annual Easter

Cake Sale. The Cake Sale will take place on Easter Sunday Morning, April 20th following 10am Mass in Arles Hall. A raffle will take place on the morning also with raffle tickets for sale in the hall.

Thank you for your continued support.

### **Graiguecullen Monster Easter Bingo**

Sunday 13th April in St. Fiaccs Hall at 3pm.

Jackpot on 50 numbers €2650

Double number €1020, Lotto €750

Tuesday Bingo on as normal at 8.30pm.

### **Pro Terra Sancta Collection**

Bishop Denis has asked all parishes in the Diocese to take up a special collection for the Chris-

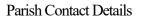


tian Communities and Parishes in the Holy Land. As we all know, their need is very great at this time.

Special Envelopes will be provided in our churches this weekend, and you are invited to return them over the Easter Weekend.

Thank you





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