

## TODAY'S MASS READINGS

### First reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the Sabbath and took their seats. When the meeting broke up many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them. The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly. 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said: I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.' It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside. But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the Lord

### Responsorial Psalm

Response: We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

### Second Reading

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse.

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

The Word of the Lord.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own sheep and my own know me. Alleluia!

### Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said: 'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice; I know them and they follow me. I give them eternal life; they will never be lost and no one will ever steal them from me. The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone, and no one can steal from the Father. The Father and I are one.'

The Gospel of the Lord



# CONTACT

ARLES, BALLYLINAN & KILLEEN NEWSLETTER



Parish Website: [arlesparish.ie](http://arlesparish.ie)

11th May 2025

4th Sunday of Easter

## Habemus Papam



"Peace be with all of you!"

- the first words of Pope Leo XIV

## 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 11 May 2025

Killeen (9am): John & Betty Byrne, Coolgarraigh

Arles (10am): First Holy Communion

Ballylinan (8pm): Maureen & Joe Mulhaire

(11.30am): Paul Davis

Bridget & Joe O'Brien

Regina Bailey (10th anniversary)

### Anniversaries for 18 May 2025

Killeen (9am): Sean Connolly (1st Anniversary)

Jim McDonald, Tierernane (2nd Anniversary)

Arles (10am): Mary McDonald (45th Anniversary)

Bridie Nolan

John Browne, The Rushes

Ballylinan (8pm): Brian McElroy

(11.30am):

**Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord**

## Ballylinan Community Council AGM



Will be held in St Annes Hall at  
8pm on Wednesday 28th May.

## Safeguarding

DLP: Ailish Higgins, mobile number 085-8021633 and email: dlp@kandle.ie

Parish Safeguarding Rep: Christine Oglesby (087) 654 6149



Kildare & Leighlin

Diocese

Jubilee of Hope 2025

One Day Retreat

to Lough Derg

Led by Bishop Denis Nulty

Saturday 17th May 2025

*To book, and for further information:*

*Contact - 087 1302587 from Carlow*

*087 2467594 from Kildare*



## Weekly Collections

Sunday 4th May

Arles: Offertory €134.49

Envelope €308.00

Ballylinan: Offertory €267.81

Envelope €258.00

Killeen: Offertory €178.79

Envelope €145.00

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



THE  
PRIORY  
INSTITUTE

Open Day on Saturday 24  
May.

Theology Open Day, is  
this for you?

The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. Visit our website prioryinstitute.com to find out more about our Open Day on Saturday 24 May.

## Ballylinan Ballyadams Community Employment Scheme vacancies

Applications on jobsireland.ie and enquiries to  
CE Supervisor 087 2232515.

Immediate Start:

Maintenance/Cleaner, Luggacurren  
Village, Church & Hall – Ref: CES-2384490

Environmental Worker, The Swan - Ref:  
CES2390107

Upcoming Vacancies:

Environmental Worker, St Anne's Church &  
ABK Centre, Ballylinan – Ref: CES-2384493

Environmental Worker, Ballylinan Playground  
- Ref: CES-2384494

Maintenance Person/Cleaner, St Anne's Hall  
& Church, Ballylinan – Ref: CES-2384498

Environmental Worker, Ballyadams Church –  
Ref: CES-2384489

Environmental Worker, Kellyville – Ref: CES  
-2374708

Maintenance/Cleaner, Killeen Hall & Play-  
ground – Ref: CES-2384495



**Solemn Novena to**

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help**

St. Clare's Graiguecullen

28th April—203rd June 2025

Time: 7.30pm (Rosary at 7pm)

12th May

Speaker: Peadar Toibin

*TD and Founder & Leader of Aontu Political  
Party*

## An Afternoon of Gardening

*With Marion Graham*

In Arles Parish Hall

On Saturday 17th May at 2pm

Adm. €10

Refreshments served & Raffle

Plants for Sale on the day!



## Charity Auction

(remembering the late Fr. O'Shea)

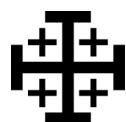
in aid of

Bothar and The Franciscan Missionary Union

in St. Anne's Hall, Ballylinan

on Sunday 18th of May at 2.30pm.

*Auction items for donation can be left into St.  
Anne's Hall on Friday 16th of May between  
6pm and 9pm. See posters in Church Porches  
and shops for details or ring Mags Brennan  
on 086 3254931 for details.*



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