

## TODAY'S MASS READINGS

### First reading

A reading from the prophet Amos

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say, 'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat? Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.' The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.'

The Word of the Lord

### Responsorial Psalm

Response: Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.

### Second reading

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to Timothy

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone – petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving – and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for

them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and – I am telling the truth and no lie – a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans. In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

The Word of the Lord

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!

### Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus said to his disciples, 'The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?'

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

The Gospel of the Lord



# CONTACT

ARLES, BALLYLINAN & KILLEEN NEWSLETTER



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

21st September 2025

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Season of Creation

1 September – 4 October

## A Prayer for the Earth

(Martyn Goss, Diocese of Exeter)

God our Creator, maker and shaper of all that is,  
seen and unseen;

You are present in the breadth and depth of the  
whole of creation, and in the processes that make life  
possible.

Yet, we are distracted by the gods of the market-  
place. Our lives have become fractured and frag-  
mented.

In our brokenness we disturb the Earth's capacity to  
hold us. Call us back from the brink.

Help us to choose love and not fear, to change our-  
selves and not the planet, to act justly for the sake of  
the vulnerable, and to make a differ-  
ence today for the life tomorrow.

We make this our prayer in your  
name, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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 21 September 2025

**Killeen (9am):** Michael (Mike) Byrne (1st Anniversary)

**Arles (10am):** Danny Brennan (9th Anniversary)

Br. Damien Brennan (6th Anniversary)

**Ballylinan (8pm):** Tom McDonnell, Carlow Road

**(11.30am):** Julia McEvoy

Annie (Nan) & Patrick Julian & deceased members of the Julian family.

### Anniversaries for 28 September 2025

**Killeen (9am):** Tony Coll

**Arles (10am):** Ann E Conroy

**Ballylinan (8pm):**

**(11.30am):**

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord

### Ballylinan Community Council



Next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 24th of September, at 8pm in St Anne's Hall.

*New members are very welcome to attend.*

### Safeguarding

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

Parish Safeguarding Rep: Christine Oglesby (087) 654 6149



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## Weekly Collections

Sunday 14th September

Arles: Offertory €138.59

Envelope €304.00

Ballylinan: Offertory €198.21

Envelope €104.10

Killeen: Offertory €112.41

Envelope €99.00

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



A special mass will be celebrated in honour of "The Little Flower" in St Joseph's Church, Ballyadams on Wed 1st Oct at 7.30pm

There will be individual blessings with the Little Flower Bone Relic after mass.



## Special Invitation

### Killeen Indoor Bowls

Each Tuesday 7.15pm — 9pm

Very mild exercise. Very good fun.



Great company. Tea / Coffee etc.

*Don't want to play? Come along and look.*

## Proposed Weekend Mass Changes

### *to accommodate the amalgamation of Arles & Doonane Parishes*

Dear Parishioners,

As you maybe already aware, Bishop Nulty has asked me to be Parish Priest of Arles Doonane Parish.

Three years ago our two parishes of Arles and Doonane were served by three priests. Now it has one.

As the only serving priest my priority and commitment is to ensure that each of our five churches (Arles, Ballylinan, Killeen, Mayo and Doonane) have a mass each weekend.

This involves change for me and for you in our times and scheduling of our masses to ensure that I can celebrate a mass in each church each weekend.

I have spoken with and consulted as many people as possible over the past few weeks and am open to hearing your feedback as to how we manage this change now and into the future.

I am proposing the following mass schedule for Arles Doonane to begin on the weekend of 4/5th October.

Fr. Padraig

Saturday	7pm: Ballylinan
	8pm: Doonane
Sunday	9am: Killeen
	10am: Arles
	11.30am Mayo



### 1st September – 4th October 2025



**PEACE WITH CREATION**  
SEASON OF CREATION 2025

“Future generations will never forgive us if we miss the opportunity to protect our common home. We have inherited a garden; we must not leave a desert for our children.” Joint statement from Pope Francis, the Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew and Archbishop Justin Welby of Canterbury.

This year's Season of Creation has as its theme “Peace with Creation”, inspired by the passage from Isaiah 32:14-18; “My people will abide in a peaceful habitation, in secure dwellings, and in quiet resting places.” In a world of challenges and division, marked by war and climate change, how can we as people of faith create and work towards peace with creation? Every one of us has a part of play.

For more details: [www.catholicbishops.ie/season-of-creation-2025](http://www.catholicbishops.ie/season-of-creation-2025)

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