#### First reading

#### TODAY'S MASS READINGS

A reading from the prophet Amos

The Almighty says this: Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion and to those who feel so safe on the mountain of Samaria. Lying on ivory beds and they follow me. Alleluia! sprawling on their divans, they dine on lambs from the flock, and stall-fattened veal; they bawl to the sound of the harp. They invent new instruments of music like David, they drink wine by the bowlful, and use the finest oil for anointing themselves, but about the ruin of Joseph they do not care at all. That is why they will be the first to be exiled; the sprawlers' revelry is over.

The Word of the Lord

#### Responsorial Psalm

Response: My soul, give praise to the Lord.

#### **Second reading**

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

As a man dedicated to God, you must aim to be saintly and religious, filled with faith and love, and win for yourself the eternal life to which you were called when you made your profession and spoke up for the truth in front of many witnesses. Now, before God the source of all life and before Jesus Christ, who spoke up as a witness for the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I put to you the duty of doing all that you have been told, with no faults or failures, until the Appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who at the due time will be revealed by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all, the King of Kings and the Lord of lords, who alone is immortal, whose home is in inaccessible light, whom no man had seen and no man is able to see: to be him be honour and everlasting power. Amen.

The Word of the Lord

Alleluia, alleluia! The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord, I know them and

#### Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus said to the Pharisees: "There was a rich man who used to dress in purple and fine line and feast magnificently every day. And at his gate there lay a poor man called Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to fill himself with the scrapes that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even came and licked his sores. Now the poor man died and was carried away by the angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In his torment in Hades he looked up and saw Abraham a long way off with Lazarus in his bosom. So he cried our, "Father Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames." "My son," Abraham replied "remember that during your life good things came patient and gentle. Fight the good fight of the faith your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony. But that is not all: between us and you a great gulf has been fixed, to stop anyone, if he wanted to, crossing from our side to yours, and to stop any crossing from your side to ours. The rich man replied, "Father, I beg you then to send Lazarus to my father's house, since I have five brothers, to give them warning so that they do not come to this place of torment too." "They have Moses and the prophets," said Abraham "let them listen to them." "Ah no, father Abraham," said the rich man "but if someone comes to them from the dead, they will repent." Then Abraham said to him, "If they will not listen either to Moses or to the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead.""

The Gospel of the Lord



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Parish Website: arlesparish.ie

28th September 2025

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Extract from

Prayer of St. Pio

Stay with me, Lord,

because I am weak,

and I need Your strength, that I may not fall so often.

Stay with me, Lord,

for You are my life,

and without You, I am without meaning and hope.

Stay with me, Lord,

for You are my light,

and without You, I am in darkness.

Stay with me, Lord,

to show me Your will.

Stay with me, Lord,

so that I can hear Your voice and follow you.

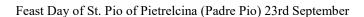
Stay with me, Lord,

for I desire to love You ever more, and to be always in Your company.

Stay with me, Lord,

if You wish me to be always faithful to You.





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

**We pray for:** Frank Brophy, 31 Leylandii Drive, Ballylinan, who died during the past week.

#### **Anniversaries for 28 September 2025**

Killeen (9am): Tony Coll

Arles (10am): Ann E Conroy

Ballylinan (8pm): Tom McDonnell, Carlow Road

(11.30am):

#### **Anniversaries for 5 October 2025**

Ballylinan (7pm):

Doonane (8pm):

Killeen (9am):

Arles (10am):

Mayo (11.30am):

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord



#### Sick and Housebound

Fr. Padraig will attend those in Killeen & Ballylinan areas on Friday morning and those in Arles on Friday afternoon (3rd October).

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



#### Safeguarding

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#### Parish Office, Ballylinan

Please note: We have a new phone number for the Office. The old number is no longer in use.



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## Family, Life Education; Our Hope for the Future Conference,

#### October 4th Knock House Hotel

Hosted by the Natural Family Planning Teacher Association of Ireland and the European Institute of Family Life Education.

Speakers: Dr Phil Boyle (Neo Fertility), Kay O'Dwyer (Napro Fertility Ireland) and Dr Fidelma Healy Eames (Former Senator and Educator), Sinead Strong (Catholic Mothers), Michelle Kelly (Pure in Heart) and Patrick McCrystal (Human Life International), Chaplain Fr Mark O'Farrell. All are welcome.

CPD for doctors, nurses, health professionals and teachers. Conference ticket €60, 9.30am – 3.30pm. Conference lunch, €30, Knock House Hotel

Book conference tickets, lunch and a complimentary tour of Knock Shrine Museum via eventbrite www.eventbrite.ie/o/nfptai-

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Sacrament of Confirmation

25 Feb 2026



11am Ballylinan

2pm Arles

### **New Weekend Mass Schedule**

## to accommodate the amalgamation of Arles & Doonane Parishes

Dear Parishioners.

I wish to confirm that the proposed changes to our weekend mass schedule will come into effect next weekend (4th / 5th October).

Fr. Padraig

Saturday 7pm: Ballylinan

8pm: Doonane

Sunday 9am: Killeen

10am: Arles

11.30am Mayo

Please Note: In order to treat each of our five churches equally, going forward there will be no Funeral Masses celebrated on Sundays.

#### 1st September – 4th October 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

