

TODAY'S MASS READINGS

First reading

A reading from the prophet Isaiah



On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response: In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Philippians

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as

lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us: to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests.'

The Gospel of the Lord



ARLES DOONANE PARISH NEWSLETTER

SERVING ARLES, BALLYLINAN, DOONANE, KILLEEN AND MAYO

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

11th October 2026

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY



Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday

Next Sunday, the Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection. Every person in every parish in every country where the Church is present will be celebrating together and sharing what they have, no matter how little.

It is the one Sunday in the year when the Mass is celebrated exclusively for missionary activity. Donations are collected at these worldwide Masses and they go to support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is new, young or poor.

It is also the one Sunday in the year when your generosity goes directly to help mission parishes overseas and reach out with Jesus' message of hope and love. World Missions Ireland is the Holy Father's official charity for overseas mission. It is responsible for coordinating Mission Sunday in Ireland and, through local bishops, churches, and missionary congregations around the world, ensures that resources are distributed equitably and justly on the basis of need.

In offering our prayers, we join with missionaries everywhere in communion and compassion to support them in spreading the Good News, and by giving a donation we respond to Christ's call to feed the hungry and clothe the naked so please give what you can.

Thank You.



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: Tues. 11am-1pm (Killeen), Wed. 10am-9pm (Doonane) & Fri. 7.30pm-8.30pm (Ballylinan)

In Memoriam

We pray for: Eleanor Fitzpatrick (nee Dolan) Rathdowney and Ashfield who died during the past week.

Anniversaries for 11 October 2026

Ballylinan (7pm): John & Mary Dunne, and their granddaughter, Jude

Doonane (8pm):

Killeen (9am):

Arles (10am):

Mayo (11.30am): Joseph Hockney (11th Anniv.) and deceased family members

Anniversaries for 18 October 2026

Ballylinan (7pm):

Doonane (8pm):

Killeen (9am): Mick & Angela Wall, Gurteen

Arles (10am): John Bolger, Ballinagall

Mayo (11.30am): Eamon Price

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord



Arles Doonane Parish Office

(083) 8765 800

Opening Hours: Tuesday 10am - 1pm & Friday 10am - 1pm

Please contact the Office if you require an Anniversary Mass booking, a copy of a Baptismal Certificate or if you wish to book a Baptism or Wedding in the Parish.

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Sacramental Dates



Confirmation

Saturday 17th April 2027

11am Ballylinan NS

2pm Arles/Killeen NS

First Holy Communion

Saturday 15th May 2027

11am Newtown NS & Mayo NS



Saturday 22nd May 2027

11am Ballylinan NS

2pm Killeen NS

Sunday 23rd May 2025

10am Arles NS

Catholic Mothers Ireland

Leinster Retreat Day

Catholic Mothers Ireland invite you to our Leinster Retreat Day on Saturday, 7th Nov, from 10am-6pm at Benburb Priory. A day of prayer, reflection, and spiritual renewal with guest speakers Fr Dominik Domagala, Dr Iva Beranek and Mrs Maria Steen.



Lunch and refreshments provided. Cost: €50 Booking: www.catholicmothers.ie/ retreats. All welcome — bring a friend.



Mass of Remembrance

St. Luke's General Hospital for Carlow/Kilkenny Annual Remembrance Mass will take place on Wednesday 21st October 2026 October at 7:30pm in St. Canice's Parish Church, Kilkenny for families and loved ones of patients who have died in our hospital.

The Mass, organised by the End of Life Care Committee, particularly remembers the patients who have died between 1st September 2025 and 31st August, 2026.

All are welcome.

MDCE PROJECT CLG

Community Employment Scheme Vacancies available



Killeshin Soccer CES-2463477

Oisin Park CES-2463478

Parish CES-2463474

St Abbans Athletics CES-2463479

Arles CES-2466585 & CES-2466586

Anyone interested in a position the application is available on Jobsireland.ie or you can

contact MDCE Project CLG directly on 056 4442711 or email us at mdceproject@gmail.com

Also if anyone over 50 and signing for credits are interested in a position on the CE Scheme please contact the CE Office.

The Autumn Dues Collection

The collectors books for the Autumn Dues will be available in the sacristy of each church after mass this weekend for the October station collection.

A sincere word of thanks to all our collectors who facilitate this collection, and to all who support it so generously.



"May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith."

~ St. Therese of Lisieux ~

Ardough National School

Quiz Night



Sheerin's Bar, The Ridge (R93 W642)

Friday 16th October at 8pm

€40 per table of 4

Raffle on the night in aid of the school

St. Mary's Church, Mayo

200th Anniversary

Thanks to all who helped organise this special and historic moment in the life of St. Mary's Church. It was a very memorable occasion.

Fr. Padraig

