



DOORA BAREFIELD PARISH NEWSLETTER

The Baptism of the Lord - 7th January 2018



MASS TIMES

Doora: Sunday	10.00am
Barefield: Sunday	11.00am
Daily Mass Mon Tues,	
Church of Our Lady Roslevan	9.15pm
Saturday	6.00pm
Daily Mass: Wed, Thurs, Fri	9.30am
Liturgy of Word and Holy Communion	Mon Tues

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**Deadline for Newsletter
 Tuesday @ 4.00pm**

**Send items to
 doorabarefieldparish@eircom.net
 Current newsletter on parish website at
 1.00pm each Wednesday**

Church of Our Lady Basket Collector
 6th Jan Ned Ryan/James Reynolds
 13th Jan: P McGuire/Harold Herlihy

Doora Church Sacristan

7th January Seamus Enright
 14th January: Mary Hallinan

Finance Development Fund 17th December

Barefield: €181.55

Doora: €101.14

Church of Our Lady: €222.02

Development: €886.70

24th/25th December

Barefield (Childrens Mass) €386.13

Vigil: €431.76

Christmas Day €487.88

Doora Vigil €325.02

Christmas Day: €265.05

C Our Lady Vigil €418.62

Christmas Day €284.66

Mile Buiochas – Many Thanks

Have fun, reduce stress, lose weight and improve your mood, self-esteem, coordination and balance at the Ennis & Quin Step Mixx NEW YEAR cardio & tone 6 week exercise programme commencing in Ennis (Gaelscoil) on Tuesday 9TH January 2018 from 7-8 p.m. and Quin on Wednesday 10th January 2018 from 6.45 p.m. – 7.45 p.m. suits all ages and all levels of fitness! for more details and to book your step contact Clare on 0876855569.

Remembered in Masses

Barefield: 12 noon	Lauren Kelleher	MM	6th Jan
C Our Lady:	Thomas O'Connor		6th Jan
Barefield:	Patsy Flaherty	MM	7th Jan
Barefield:	Michael (Buddy) Purcell		7th Jan
Barefield:	Tommy & Ann Kelly		7th Jan
Barefield:	Michael & Maurice Fitzgerald		14th Jan
Barefield:	Gerry Fenniman		14th Jan



Ministers of Eucharist & Readers



This week:

C Our Lady:	JOConnor/MMcGuire/MOBrien	James O'Connor
Barefield:	Liam Murphy/Ella O'Halloran	Kieran Thynne
Doora:	Marie Considine	Anne Marie Flanagan

Next week:

C Our Lady:	JOConnor/MMcGuire/MOBrien	James O'Connor
Barefield:	Claire Morrissey/Breda Galvin	
Doora:	Margaret Hosty	Sinead Kirby

Towards Peace: Christmas and New Year is often a time when we are reminded of our deeper selves and deepest hopes, and deepest pain. The vision of *Towards Peace* is to provide a safe supportive space for people who have been affected by abuse in a Church context, and who are seeking to explore the spiritual impact of the abuse. If you have been abused and would like a space to reflect on the impact of the trauma of abuse on your own relationship with God and spirituality, *Towards Peace* is here for you: www.towardspeace.ie / 01 5 0 5 3 0 2 8

SAMARITANS - People can contact the Samaritans by phoning 116 123, email jo@samaritans.org, write to Pat or Mary, Samaritans, Sunville, Kilrush Road.

Killaloe Diocese pilgrimage to Lourdes: Bishop Fintan Monahan will lead the 62nd Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes from Shannon Airport on **Tuesday 26th June returning on Sunday 1st July**. €695 full board for online booking at www.joewalstours.ie or €705 for paper booking. Special section for sick or assisted pilgrims at a reduced price. Early booking advisable. Full details from Fr Tom Ryan Pilgrimage Director 061-364133.

Autumn Pilgrimage from Sunday 7th October, returning Friday 12th October €669 for online booking or €679 for paper booking.

Parent & Toddler Group resumes for 2018 this Tuesday 9th January at Fahy Hall 10.30am -12 noon. All parents, grandparents, childminders and your babies and toddlers very welcome. -

Traditional Irish music classes for flute and tin whistle available in Corofin and Ennis. All ages and levels catered for. Group and private classes available. Contact Brian: 086 3987808

Thank You!

The Doora Wrenboys and Hospice Jinja would like to thank all who supported them as we chased the wren from rock to rock this year. It was a great day of festive cheer, song and music. A total of €407.77 was collected by Fionn, Cian, Cillian, Caoimhin, Conor, Darragh, Oisin, Luke and Seamus.

Rosary after Sunday Mass at Doora Church In honour of our Blessed Mother Mary, Rosary will be said at Our Lady's statue in Doora Church after every Mass on Sundays. All are welcome. "The greatest method of praying is to pray the Rosary." – Saint Francis de Sale

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje, 5th—12th Sept accompanied by Fr. Tom O'Gorman. 12th – 19th Sept accompanied by Fr. Martin Blake & Rev Martin Shanahan. Information James Considine: 065 9059328 or 085 7385385

A Prayer for the New Year

May we have enough happiness to keep us agreeable
 Enough trials to keep us strong, Enough sorrow to keep us human,
 Enough freedom to keep us happy, Enough failure to keep us humble
 Enough success to keep us eager, Enough wealth to meet our needs,
 Enough faith to banish depression, Enough hope to look forward,
 Enough love to give us comfort, and enough determination to keep going.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

After the Lord was baptized, the heavens were opened, and the Spirit descended upon him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.

PENITENTIAL RITE

P. Have mercy on us, O Lord
C. For we have sinned against you.

P. Show us, O Lord, your mercy.

C. And grant us your salvation.

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

C. Amen.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,

you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Is 55:1-11

Oh, come to the water all you who are thirsty; though you have no money, come!

Buy corn without money, and eat, and, at no cost, wine and milk.

Why spend money on what is not bread, your wages on what fails to satisfy?

Listen, listen to me, and you will have good things to eat and rich food to enjoy.

Pay attention, come to me; listen, and your soul will live.

With you I will make an everlasting covenant out of the favours promised to David.

See, I have made of you a witness to the peoples, a leader and a master of the nations.

See, you will summon a nation you never knew, those unknown will come hurrying to you,

for the sake of the Lord your God, of the Holy One of Israel who will glorify you.

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found, call to him while he is still near.

Let the wicked man abandon his way, the evil man his thoughts.

Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him, to our god who is rich in forgiving;

for my thoughts are not your thoughts,

my ways not your ways - it is the Lord who speaks.

Yes, the heavens are as high above earth as my ways are above your ways, my thoughts above your thoughts.

Yes, as the rain and the snow come down from the heavens and do not return without watering the earth, making it yield and giving growth to provide seed for the sower and bread for the eating, so the word that goes from my mouth does not return to me empty, without carrying out my will and succeeding in what it was sent to do.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response:

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

Truly, God is my salvation, I trust, I shall not fear.

For the Lord is my strength, my song, he became my saviour.

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. **R**

Give thanks to the Lord, give praise to his name!

Make his mighty deeds known to the peoples! Declare the greatness of his name. **R**

Sing a psalm to the Lord

for he has done glorious deeds, make them known to all the earth!

People of Zion, sing and shout for joy for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel. **R**

A reading from the first letter of St. John

1 Jn 5:1-9

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God;

and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets.

We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us;

this is what loving God is -

keeping his commandments; and his commandments are not difficult,

because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world;

this is the victory over the world— our faith.

Who can overcome the world?

Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God:

Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, not with water only,

but with water and blood;

with the Spirit as another witness -

since the Spirit is the truth -

so that there are three witnesses,

the Spirit, the water and the blood,

and all three of them agree.

We accept the testimony of human witnesses, but God's testimony is much greater,

and this is God's testimony, given as evidence for his Son.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

John saw Jesus coming towards him, and said:

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Alleluia!

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark. Mk 1:7-11

In the course of his preaching John the Baptist said, 'Someone is following me, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to kneel down and undo the strap of his sandals. I have baptised you with water, but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit.'

It was at this time that Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptised in the Jordan by John. No sooner had he come up out of the water than he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit, like a dove, descending on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;

through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. **Amen.**

Communion Antiphon

Behold the One of whom John said: I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.