



# DOORA BAREFIELD PARISH NEWSLETTER

## Sixth Sunday of Easter — 17th May, 2020



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### Deadline for Newsletter

Tuesday @ 3pm

Send items to

[info@doorabarefieldparish.ie](mailto:info@doorabarefieldparish.ie)

Current newsletter on parish website at 1.00pm each Wednesday



### Anniversary Masses this weekend

Saturday: 16th May 6pm

Finola Loftus

Sunday 10th May 10.30am

Tom Linnane

Brendan Roseingrave

Enright Family

Monday 18th May 10.30am

Ned Corcoran

Webcam

[www.doorabarefieldparish.ie](http://www.doorabarefieldparish.ie)

St. Joseph's Doora Barefield GAA Club, Camoige Club and Ladies Football Club have volunteers available to help those in the

Community who at this difficult time may need assistance in meeting their everyday needs. This may be collecting



groceries, prescriptions etc, if you or anyone you know needs assistance please contact, Roseanne: 0863526035; Tom: 0868068585

**Accord:** If you need to speak to an experienced couples and relationship counsellor during this time of unprecedented stress and pressure on family life.

Contact 01-531 3331, Monday to Friday 9am to 8pm

Many thanks to Parishioners for contributions delivered to the Parish Office in the past few weeks for Development and Priests Easter Collection. Your support is much appreciated. Please see message from Fr. Jerry re Parish Finances in page 2 of Newsletter. Mile Buiochas to all.



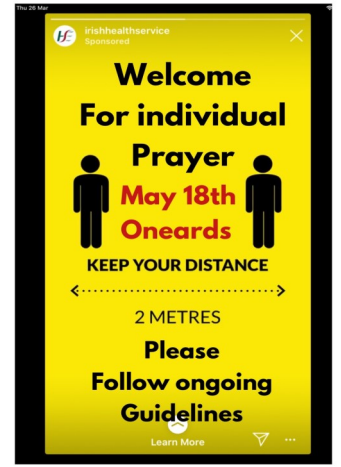
St Breacan's Church  
Doora



Church of Our Lady  
Roslevan



Church of the immaculate Conception  
Barefield



The month of May is normally the **Diocesan Safeguarding Month**. However in these exceptional circumstances during this month, it is not possible to mark it as we would normally do. We ask that people keep in their prayers those children and adults who are experiencing harm and or have been hurt by others. We ask that you look out for those who are struggling during this time, by giving them a smile, a wave or a few kind words.

**Pastoral Letter from Bishop Fintan** Bishop Fintan has written a pastoral letter to the people of the Diocese outlining the latest developments in responding to the Covid 19 pandemic. To read Bishop Fintan's letter see: [www.killaloe-diocese.ie/pastoral-letter-may-2020](http://www.killaloe-diocese.ie/pastoral-letter-may-2020)



May Devotions in honour of Our Lady  
Rosary & Benediction Sunday  
7.30pm to 8pm Webcam  
[www.doorabarefieldparish.ie](http://www.doorabarefieldparish.ie)

**CORONAVIRUS HELPLINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE:**

**0818 222 024**

If you have concerns or queries about COVID-19 call ALONE's dedicated support line everyday, 8am - 8pm



### A Prayer for Positive Thinking

Dear God,  
I believe in the power of positive thinking, but lately I need your help to get there. Please fill me with faith, hope, and optimism. Thank you for helping me to be genuinely positive.

*Facebook.com/DoreenVirtue444*

## **Message from Fr. Jerry**

Dear Parishioners,

We are all experiencing extremely challenging times with serious disruption to our personal and business lives. I assure you of my full support through these very difficult times together with including you in our daily Mass. The Coronavirus Pandemic has seriously changed the operation of our Parish services with all our Churches closed since March 15<sup>th</sup>.

You our Parishioners cannot attend Church and this is likely to continue for some considerable time. In these circumstances we have now adapted to bringing our Church ceremonies to you - prior to Easter we installed a Webcam at Church Of Our Lady which enables me to share our Masses and other ceremonies with you and with the wider population.

Traditionally you very generously contribute to the finances of our Parish for which we are very grateful. With Churches closed you do not now have the opportunity to donate and in response to many requests we are now endeavouring to put systems in place so that you can continue your contributions.

**In explanation;**

our weekly Basket and Development Fund contributions go directly to the day to day running of our Parish. This income is supplemented by Refund of Tax under The Charities Act, rental and other smaller income sources. Our Priests Collections held four times annually go to paying Priests Salaries with surplus going to our Diocese to support other pastoral care. Over the next few weeks I will publish our Audited Accounts for 2019 which will explain in detail the financial operation of our Parish.

If you wish to contribute to our Basket and Development Fund you can use your Development Fund envelopes or you can use an envelope with your name/s and address and drop them into our Parish Office, 3 The Woods, Cappahard, Tulla Rd. It will not be possible for us to distribute Priests Collection envelopes and again any contribution can be put in an envelope with your name/s and address and we will notify the dates of Priests collections.

As we all get used to using Websites and our Webcam we are consulting with our providers a means of contributing by way of an online system and I will keep you advised on this.

I very much appreciate the great disturbance and concerns in all your lives. I hope the services provided will help to retain the wonderful bond our Parish has always enjoyed and that we will all be reunited in our Churches as soon as is practicable.

If you have any queries please contact me at 086 2508 444.

Thanking you

*Fr. Jerry Carey*

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## TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

### Entrance Antiphon

**Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; Proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia**

### 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 Acts of the Apostles Ac 8:5-8.14-17

Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town. When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

### The word of the Lord

### Responsorial Psalm

**R. Cry out with joy to God all the earth.**

Cry out with joy to all the earth,  
 O sing to the glory of his name.  
 O render him glorious praise.  
 Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds!' **R**

'Before you all the earth shall bow;  
 shall sing to you, sing to your name!  
 Come and see the works of God,  
 tremendous his deeds among men. **R**

He turned the sea into dry land,  
 they passed through the river dry-shod.  
 Let our joy then be in him;  
 he rules for ever by his might. **R**

Come and hear, all who fear God.  
 I will tell what he did for my soul:  
 Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer  
 Nor withhold his love from me. **R**

### A reading from the first letter of St Peter.

**1 Pt 3:15-18**

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong.

Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

### The word of the Lord

### Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**  
**Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.' Alleluia.**

### A reading from the holy Gospel according to John. Jn 14:15-21

Jesus said to his disciples:  
 'If you love me you will keep my commandments.  
 I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever, that Spirit of truth whom the world can never receive since it neither sees nor knows him; but you know him, because he is with you, he is in you. I will not leave you orphans;

I will come back to you.  
 In a short time the world will no longer see me;  
 but you will see me,  
 because I live and you will live.  
 On that day you will understand that I am in my Father  
 and you in me and I in you.  
 Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them will be the one who loves me;  
 and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father,  
 and I shall love him and show myself to him.'

### 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

**If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, And I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, To abide with you for ever, alleluia.**