



**DOORA BAREFIELD PARISH NEWSLETTER**  
**First Sunday of Lent - 21st February, 2021**



**Mass Times**  
**Church of Our Lady, Roslevan:**  
 Saturday 6pm  
 Daily Mass:  
 Monday to Friday 9.30am

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**Deadline for Newsletter**  
**Tuesday @ 3pm**

Send items to  
[info@doorabarefieldparish.ie](mailto:info@doorabarefieldparish.ie)  
**Current newsletter on parish web-**  
**site at 1.00pm each Wednesday**

**Doora Barefield GAA Lotto: Next**  
**weeks Jackpot: €12,200**

**Venue: Clubhouse**  
**Winners of €50.00**

K Jones c/o Peadar O'Loughlin  
 Greg Baker, Roslevan  
 Deirdre Guilfoyle, Gort Leamhan  
 Bernard Keane, Roslevan

**Mass cards - Individual & Shared**  
**now available at Parish Office**  
**during opening hours. Masses**  
**will be offered in Ennis Parish.**

*Lent comes providentially*  
*to reawaken us,*  
*to shake us from*  
*our lethargy.*

*Pope Francis*



**RIP**

**John Joe Lyons,**  
**Cappamore,**  
**Barefield.**

**Vincent McNamara,**  
**Northampton, UK &**  
**Ballyogan, Barefield.**

Goodbyes are only for those  
 who love with their eyes.  
 Because for those who love with their  
 heart and soul  
 there is no separation

**ANNIVERSARY MASSES**

**Remembered in Masses at Church of Our Lady**

<b>Pat Moloney</b>	<b>MM</b>	<b>20th Feb</b>
<b>John Fitzgerald</b>		<b>20th Feb</b>
<b>Paddy &amp; Ellen Keehan</b>		<b>20th Feb</b>
<b>Michael &amp; James Hassett &amp; Hassett family</b>		<b>20th Feb</b>
<b>Patrick Meere &amp; Margaret Cullinan</b>		<b>27th Feb</b>

*May they rest in peace*



**St Patricks**  
**Day Virtual**  
**Event.**

Clare County  
 Council  
 invites Clare  
 people at home/abroad to take  
 part, by recording and  
 submitting a performance,  
 prizes to be won. For more  
 details see [www.clarecoco.ie](http://www.clarecoco.ie).



**Working for a Just World**

**Trócaire Lenten Campaign** has now begun. The 2021  
 campaign tells the stories of two families in South Sudan  
 whose lives have been impacted by conflict. Trócaire  
 Lenten Boxes are available for collection in the porches of  
 all our Churches. Thank you for your generosity.



**Thought for Lent**

Keep me, O God, from pettiness.  
 Let us be large in thought, word and deed.  
 Let us be done with fault-finding and leave off self-seeking.  
 May we put away all pretence and meet each other face to face  
 without self-pity and  
 without prejudice. May we never be hasty in judgment and always generous.  
 Let us take time for all things.  
 Make us grow calm, serene, gentle.  
 Teach us to put into action our better impulses, and make us straight-forward and unafraid.  
 Grant that we may realize that it is the little things in life that create differences;  
 that in the big things we are all as one.  
 And, O Lord God, Let us not forget to be kind.



**Lenten Journey with the Question:** Who is Jesus? An online workshop facilitated by the Diocese  
 of Killaloe and presented by Vince Murray, former Director of Religious Education in St Angela's  
 College, Sligo. This explores who Jesus is by examining the work of four modern thinkers. It will be  
 presented on one day each week in Lent (6 sessions) and each will be about an hour. The format  
 will be an online presentation and a facilitated discussion. This programme will be attractive to all  
 who are interested in searching for a deeper understanding of Jesus, whether you are church-  
 going or not. If you are interested, please contact:  
[gerardmjsheeran@gmail.com](mailto:gerardmjsheeran@gmail.com)

**Prayer for the Coming Week.**

Dear Lord, prepare me for the coming week.  
 You know my heart and all the situations I am dealing with and you know the things that are hap-  
 pening beyond my control.  
 Please give me your peace and help me to accept what I cannot change.  
 Take away my stress, my worries, my disappointments,  
 my frustrations and my sadness.  
 Help me to live with an attitude of gratitude, live each moment to the fullest  
 and take nothing for granted.  
 Help me to remember that no matter what comes my way, your grace,  
 love and strength are sufficient to carry me through.  
 Please wrap your arms around those who are sick and hurting  
 and let them feel how much you love them.  
 Bless my family and friends and guide us through this week.  
 Help each of us to act responsibly through this trying time  
 and ease the anxiety felt by many due to Covid-fear.  
 Comfort the lonely and especially the bereaved.  
 In Jesus name I pray. Amen.



# Today's Scripture Readings

**Entrance Antiphon**  
**When he calls on me,**  
**I will answer him;**  
**I will deliver him and give him glory,**  
**I will grant him length of days.**

### 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.**

### **A reading from the book of Genesis** **Gen 9:8-15**

God spoke to Noah and his sons, 'See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.'

God said, 'Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.'

### The word of the Lord

#### **Responsorial Psalm**

#### **Response:**

*Your ways, Lord, are faithfulness and love for those who keep your covenant.*

Lord, me know your ways.  
 Lord, teach me your paths.  
 Make me walk in your truth,  
 and teach me:  
 for you are God my saviour.

**R.**

Remember your mercy, Lord,  
 and the love you have shown  
 from of old.  
 In your love remember me,  
 because of your goodness, O Lord. **R.**

The Lord is good and upright.  
 He shows the path to those who stray,  
 He guides the humble in the right path;  
 He teaches his way to the poor. **R**

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

**1 Pt 3:18-22**

Christ himself, innocent though he was, 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, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people 'by water', and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects.

### The word of the Lord

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

**Praise to you, O Christ,**  
**king of eternal glory!**  
**Man does not live on bread alone,**  
**but on every word that comes from the**  
**mouth of God.**  
**Praise to you, O Christ,**  
**king of eternal glory!**

### **A reading from the holy Gospel** **according to Mark.**

**Mk. 1:12-15**

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

### 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**

**One does not live by bread alone,**  
**but by every word that comes forth**  
**from the mouth of God.**