

DOORA BAREFIELD PARISH NEWSLETTER

Mass Times

Church of Our Lady, Roslevan	
Daily Mass, Mon, Wed, Thurs & Fri	9.30am
Saturday Vigil Mass	6pm
St. Breacan's Church, Doora	
Sunday	9.45am
Immaculate Conception, Barefield	
Sunday	11.15am
Tuesday	9.30am



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Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - (Year C) 20th February, 2022

THE POWER OF FORGIVENESS

Today's gospel summarises something new for the 'religious leaders of Jesus' day. Their law decreed "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth." In other words, they were expected to strike back at those who harmed them in any way. It is in a gospel like that presented to us today that we see just how radical and revolutionary Jesus' teaching must have sounded back then. Indeed, it is still quite revolutionary in today's world, with our dog-eat-dog mentality. The process of salvation which he had come to establish would be based on forgiveness, and, therefore, to be part of, and to belong to that process must put each of us right out there in the front line of tolerance, forgiveness, and love.

Imagine yourself in front of a mirror, reflect on the failures and sin in your life. You take as much time as you need for this. You are going to ask God's forgiveness, you are going to try to make amends wherever possible, and you want to move forward from here. Ask yourself one simple question: Can you absolve yourself before asking God to forgive you? Can you ask God to do something for you that you are unwilling to do for yourself? Guilt is not from God. Rather is it your own inability to forgive yourself.

A leading psychiatrist said that he could discharge two-thirds of his patients immediately if he could get them to forgive themselves. Jesus taught us one simple prayer, which we call the Our Father or the Lord's Prayer.



It is a simple prayer, and it is quite short. One of the petitions is where we ask God to forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. We can rattle off this prayer, and fail to realise the bind in which it can place us.

In the Lord's Prayer, we ask God to forgive us on one condition, which is that we will forgive others in our turn. There is a proven power in forgiveness and love. "Blessed are the meek" says Jesus, "they shall possess the earth." We are impressed by the power of forgiveness shown by characters like Mahatma Ghandi, Martin Luther King, and others who somehow managed to turn the other cheek. The bully cannot deal with the power of the one who won't strike back, but often resorts to violence as the only way to silence their voice of protest. To err is human, to Forgive is divine. We would aim to be bighearted, tolerant and patient.. But the ideal Jesus sets for us is, "Be merciful, just as your heavenly Father is merciful."

Priest on Duty 20th February, 2022.
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Remembered in Masses this week

**CHURCH OF OUR LADY
ROSLEVAN**

Each Monday: Book of Intentions

19th February: Paddy & Ellen Keehan, Tulla Rd.
Francis Clune, Ballymacahill.

26th February: No intention booked.

ST. BRECAN'S CHURCH, DOORA

20th February: Paddy & John Torpey, Kilfenora.
Peggy Conroy, Noughaville.

27th February: Maura Sheedy, Bunnaw MM.
Patrick Meere, Wellpark, Quin.

**CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE
CONCEPTION, BAREFIELD**

20th February: Michael Duggan, Ballymacuiggan. MM.
John Joe Lyons, Cappamore. 1st Anniv.
Bernadette Lyons, Larchill.

Michael Hassett, Ballycarroll & Hassett Family, Barefield.

27th February: Michael & Josephine Carmody, Barefield.
Kitty, Vincent & James Conroy, Trim, Co. Meath.

Finance Development Fund

13th January, 2022

Barefield: €71

Doora: €21.20

Church of Our Lady: €21.60

Development: €538.40

Mile Buiochas

RIP

Remember in your prayers

Mary Anne Casey,
Shanacool, Darragh, Ballyea
Mother of **Claire Rutherford,**
Larchill

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



**Ministers of Eucharist
& Readers**



This week:

COur Lady: NCollins/HHerlihy/BBurke

Barefield: LMurphy/MHassett

Doora: Bernard Hallinan

Dan Lenihan

Bernadette Murphy

Kieran Bell

Next week:

COur Lady: NCollins/HHerlihy/BBurke

Barefield: MClohesy/CDeloughery

Doora: Mary Barry

Dan Lenihan

Michael Clohesy

Bernard Hallinan

Doora Sacristan Rota

20th Feb: Mary Enright

27th Feb: Margaret Hosty



SACRISTAN

Sympathy Mass Cards

now available in the porches of our three Churches. Shared Masses €3; Individual Masses €10. Please write name of deceased person in notebook provided and place money in envelope. Thank you.



Des Ryan requests Rosary Beads, Spectacles, used stamps, brown coin to assist African countries. Please leave in receptacle in Doora Church. **Thank you.**



Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration at St. Breacan's Church
Doora every Wednesday
6pm to 10pm. All Welcome.

Book of Intentions

Monday morning's Mass each week at Church of Our Lady, Roslevan will be the Novena Mass for Intentions for shared Mass Cards.

Covid 19 Restrictions Update



We ask people to be respectful of others and still keep a distance.

From the weekend of 19th/20th February, you will be invited to come forward to receive Holy Communion.

For those with mobility difficulties Holy Communion will be brought to you.

Please note:

1. Holy Communion to be received only in the hand.
2. The sign of peace will continue to be suspended.
3. Holy Water fonts are not in use.
4. Face Masks to be worn in Church.

Synodal Pathway — Online Survey



Pope Francis wants to hear from the whole Church about what is happening in local parishes. He and the bishops would like to know what individuals think we should all be doing to help make our parishes better. The way he has proposed doing this is a synodal process.

Synod means “journeying together” and it involves listening to the Holy Spirit and to each other to discern the path we are called to walk together.

The synod “is intended to inspire people to dream about the Church we are called to be, to make people’s hopes flourish, to stimulate trust, to bind up wounds, to weave new and deeper relationships, to learn from one another, to build bridges, to enlighten minds, warm hearts, and restore strength to our hands for our common mission.

We ask parishioners to complete the online survey for the Synodal Pathway. It is an opportunity for everyone to be part of the Synod.

[https:// www.killaloe-diocese.ie/ synod-keyqs/](https://www.killaloe-diocese.ie/synod-keyqs/)

**MEETING
CANCELLED**

Community Public Meeting re future of Doora Village is cancelled until 1st March.

Unfortunately due to circumstances beyond the control of the Office of Rural Development & Ennis Municipal District they have to cancel meeting on the 22nd Feb. **The new scheduled date is 1st March.**

Parent & Toddler Group

Parent & toddler group meets each Tuesday 10am to 12 noon at Fahy Hall, Roslevan. Parents, Grandparents & Childminders welcome. Please adhere to latest covid guidelines mask wearing essential.

“Miss no single opportunity of making some small sacrifice, here by a smiling look, there by a kindly word; always doing the smallest right and doing it all for love.”

St. Therese of Lisieux.

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 happening
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
and ease the anxiety felt by many.
Comfort the lonely and especially the bereaved.
In Jesus name I pray. **Amen.**

Ennis Brass Band Free Concert

We invite you to join us in our fond farewell to our musical director Mark Nutley at the Holy Family Hall at 7.30pm Friday 25th of February. Admission is free! Not only are we thrilled to be able to publicly perform together again but it promises to be a very special night for us, being our final performance with Mark. All welcome.



Doora Barefield GAA Lotto

Next weeks Jackpot €10,800

Venue: Clubhouse

Winners of €50

Mary McDonnell, Roslevan
Noel Tierney, Ballymacahill
Martin Baker, Australia
Liam Duggan, Barefield



Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

**O Lord, I trust in your merciful love.
My heart will rejoice in your salvation.
I will sing to the Lord who has been
bountiful with me.**

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 first book of Samuel

1 Sam 26:2.7-9.12-13.22-23

Saul set off and went down to the wilderness of
Ziph, accompanied by three thousand men
chosen from Israel to search for David in the
wilderness of Ziph.

So in the dark David and Abishai made their
way towards the force, where they found Saul
lying asleep inside the camp, his spear stuck in
the ground beside his head, with Abner and the
troops lying round him.

Then Abishai said to David, 'Today God has put
your enemy in your power; so now let me pin
him to the ground with his own spear. Just one
stroke! I will not need to strike him twice.'

David answered Abishai, 'Do not kill him, for
who can lift his hand against the Lord's
anointed and be without guilt?' David took the
spear and the pitcher of water from beside
Saul's head, and they made off. No one saw,
no one knew, no one woke up; they were all
asleep, for a deep sleep from the Lord had
fallen on them.

David crossed to the other side and halted on
the top of the mountain a long way off; there
was a wide space between them. David then

called out, 'Here is the king's spear. Let one
of the soldiers come across and take it. The
Lord repays everyone for his uprightness and
loyalty. Today the Lord put you in my power,
but I would not raise my hand against the
Lord's anointed.'

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm;

**Response: The Lord is compassion and
love.**

*My soul, give thanks to the Lord,
all my being, bless his holy name.*

*My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings.*

R.

*It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion.*

R.

*The Lord is compassion and love,
slow to anger and rich in mercy.*

*He does not treat us according to our sins
nor repay us according to our faults.*

As far as the east is from the west

so far does he remove our sins.

As a father has compassion on his sons

the Lord has pity on those who fear him.

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians 1 Cor 15:45-49

The first man, Adam, as scripture says,
became a living soul; but the last Adam has
become a life-giving spirit. That is, first the
one with the soul, not the spirit, and after
that, the one with the spirit. The first man,
being from the earth, is earthly by nature; the
second man is from heaven. As this earthly
man was, so are we on earth; and as the
heavenly man is, so are we in heaven. And
we, who have been modelled on the earthly
man, will be modelled on the heavenly man.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Open our heart, O Lord,

to accept the words of your Son.

Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke Lk 6:27-38

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I say this to you
who are listening: Love your enemies, do
good to those who hate you, bless those who
curse you, pray for those who treat you badly.
To the man who slaps you on one cheek,
present the other cheek too; to the man who
takes your cloak from you, do not refuse your
tunic. Give to everyone who asks you, and
do not ask for your property back from the
man who robs you. Treat others as you
would like them to treat you.'

If you love those who love you, what thanks
can you expect? Even sinners love those who
love them. And if you do good to those who do
good to you, what thanks can you expect? For
even sinners do that much. And if you lend to
those from whom you hope to receive, what
thanks can you expect? Even sinners lend to
sinners to get back the same amount. Instead,
love your enemies, and do good, and lend with-
out any hope of return. You will have a great
reward, and you will be sons of the Most High,
for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the
wicked.

'Be compassionate as your Father is
compassionate. Do not judge, and you will not
be judged yourselves; do not condemn and you
will not be condemned yourselves; grant par-
don, and you will be pardoned. Give, and there
will be gifts for you: a full measure pressed
down, shaken together, and running over, will
be poured into your lap; because the amount
you measure out is the amount you will be giv-
en back.'

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 for-
giveness of sins and I look forward to the
resurrection of the dead and the life of the
world to come. **Amen.**

Communion Antiphon

**I will recount all your wonders,
I will rejoice in you and be glad,
and sing psalm to your name,
O Most High.**