

# DOORA BAREFIELD PARISH NEWSLETTER

## Mass Times

<b>Church of Our Lady, Roslevan</b>	
Mon, Wed, Thurs & Fri	9.30am
Saturday Vigil Mass	6pm
<b>St. Breacan's Church, Doora</b>	
Sunday	9.45am
<b>Immaculate Conception, Barefield</b>	
Sunday	11.15am
Tuesday	9.30am
<a href="http://www.doorabarefieldparish.ie/webcam">www.doorabarefieldparish.ie/webcam</a>	



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**Third Sunday of Lent - (Year C ) 20th March, 2022**

## Seeking God's Mercy

The gospel today has two parts, the first sees Jesus using two examples of bad things happening to people. Our Lord is challenging the idea which was prevalent that if something bad happened to you then you must have done something wrong!

Jesus is very clear, *Do you suppose these Galileans who suffered like that were greater sinners than any other Galileans? They were not, I tell you. Do you suppose that they were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you.*

Jesus is challenging the complacency of the people. There was a certain comfort for them in pointing to the misfortune of others as somehow a sign of their own virtue. That is sadly a temptation all of us face, the idea that if we put others down we raise ourselves up.

This is not true however, for in putting others down, in speaking ill of other people, in looking down on other people we are really lowering ourselves. The first half of the gospel is telling us that in the eyes of God we are no better or worse than anyone else, we are all in need of God's mercy. Jesus strongly calls the people to repent, to turn away from their sins whatever they may be and to seek God's mercy.

The image of the fig tree, shows us vividly what God's mercy means. In the second part of today's gospel God is represented not by the owner of the vineyard but by the gardener. The vineyard is usually a metaphor for the relationship between God and his people. The image of God as the gardener trying his best to make the fig tree bear fruit, not giving up on it, saying give it another year shows us how much God seeks to forgive us, seeks to bless us.

Maybe we don't think of our faith in that way, but this gospel points us to that truth. We are people who are growing, whatever our age, we are meant to bear the fruit of good works, yet so often we fail to do that. Our God who loves and wants what's best for us, continues to work despite our failures. Our God does not give up on us. He wants what's best for us, Just as a fig tree is meant to bear fruit so we are meant to grow in holiness and bear the fruit of goodness.



**Priest on Duty 20th March, 2022.**  
**Contact: Fr. Tom Fitzpatrick 065 6869098**

**Remembered in Masses this week**

**CHURCH OF OUR LADY  
ROSLEVAN**

19th March: No intention booked.

26th March: Martin Heaney, Corrovorrin Drive.

**ST. BRECAN'S CHURCH, DOORA**

20th March: No intention booked.

27th March: Anne & Pat Horan & Deceased Family,  
Castletown.

**CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE  
CONCEPTION, BAREFIELD**

20th March: Seán & Peggy Howard, Drumquin.

27th March: Ann & Flan Lyons, Larchill.

**9.30am Mass each Tuesday in Barefield Church.**

**Finance Development Fund**

13th March, 2022

Barefield: €53.31

Doora: €28.67

Church of Our Lady: €33.17

Development: €436.59

*Míle Buíochas*

***Praying for Peace***

*Prayer meeting in Barefield Church  
every Thursday from 11am to 12 noon  
in presence of the blessed sacrament.  
All welcome.*



**RIP**

**Remember in your prayers**

**Hilary Anne Niehues,**  
Barefield, Dublin & Germany

**Marion Young,**  
St. Anthony's, Mullingar,  
Sister of Angela Cahir, Larchill

**Maura Killeen (nee O'Halloran),**

Swindon, England.  
sister of Helen McDonagh, Clonkerry.

*Goodbyes are for those  
who love with their eyes.  
Because for those who love  
with their heart and soul*



**Ministers of Eucharist  
& Readers**



**This week:**

COur Lady:	SGarvey, PMockler/MDilleen	Michael Guilfoyle
Barefield:	MDowling/CLeamy	Seamus Leamy
Doora:	Maria Considine	Anne Marie Custy

**Next week:**

COur Lady:	SGarvey, PMockler/MDilleen	Michael Guilfoyle
Barefield:	BGalvin/MO'Loughlin	Carmel McGovern
Doora	Martha Neylon	Marie Flanagan

**Doora Sacristan Rota**

20th March: Anne Marie Custy

27th March: Owen O'Mahony



**SACRISTAN**

**The Synodal Way**



During Lent parishes and parishioners are invited to discuss and reflect on the synod in which Pope Francis asks us for our views for the future of the church.

A public meeting for parishioners of the Abbey Pastoral Area will take place in the Maria Assumpta Hall on Wednesday 25th March at 8pm.

**Third Sunday of Lent**



'Leave it one more year' – isn't it how we might feel about returning to the Sacrament of Reconciliation time after time with the same old sins.

But God awaits us with joy and mercy – let us 'not remain prisoners of shame for our sins' says Pope Francis because God is never ashamed of us.

**The Abbey Pastoral Area Reconciliation Service will be on Monday 11 April at 730pm in the Cathedral of Ss Peter & Paul, Ennis.**

Reflections, scripture and music will be part of this prayerful celebration and a number of priests will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. You are very welcome to join us.

**Fáilte ar Ais Céilí** at Cois na hAbhna, Ennis, Sunday, March 20th, 3pm - 6pm with Tulla Céilí Band. Tickets €10. Phone 065 68 24276 / [www.coisnabhna.ie](http://www.coisnabhna.ie) for more info.

## LOURDES 2022



After an absence of two years, due to the Covid pandemic our Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes resumes again this year from 28th June to 3rd July, direct from Shannon Airport. Sick or assisted pilgrims will not travel this year. Cost €739 to €759 depending on the choice of hotel, Agena or La Solitude.

To reserve your place please contact Joe Walsh Tours -Tel; 01-2410800 , email: [info@joewalstours.ie](mailto:info@joewalstours.ie) Post: Joe Walsh Tours 69 O'Connell Street Dublin 1

The autumn pilgrimage will take place from 2nd to 7th October 2022. Enquiries to Fr Tom Ryan Pilgrimage Director 087- 2349816 or [tfryan.ennis@gmail.com](mailto:tfryan.ennis@gmail.com)

### Special Collection for Ukraine:

The Irish Bishops have asked for a Special Collection to be taken up at Masses on the weekend of 26/27 March to support humanitarian efforts in Ukraine and especially the families and children who have had to flee their homeland in advance of the Russian invasion. The proceeds of this Special Collection will be directed to Caritas Internationalis, which is the helping hand of the Church on the ground in the Ukraine and the surrounding region. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you.

### Prayer for Peace in Ukraine



*Peace for Ukraine*

**Give comfort to those who suffer  
because of the violence.**

**Give comfort to those who mourn their dead,  
and strength to neighboring countries  
to welcome the refugees.**

**Convert the hearts of those who resort to arms  
and protect those who work to promote peace.**

**God of hope, inspire leaders to choose peace  
instead of violence**

**and to seek reconciliation with enemies.  
Inspire compassion in the universal Church  
for the Ukrainian people  
and give us hope for a future of peace  
based on justice for all.**

**We ask this through Jesus Christ,  
Prince of Peace and Light of the world. Amen.**

**Stations of the Cross:** You are welcome to come and join in praying the Stations of the Cross during Lent. Each Friday at 7pm a group will gather in Doora Church to spend half an hour reflecting on the journey of Christ to Calvary. This is a Lenten tradition observed by generations gone before us and we honor all those who passed on the faith to us as we keep the tradition alive.

## THE PAT BOGUE 6K



### Help Children Help Themselves

#### Fun Run/Walk—Honouring the Leader

Sunday April 3rd @ 1pm—€10 entry; Family €20

Registration at the Clare Crusaders Clinic from 12 noon.

Online @ <https://eventmaster.ie/event/d2y4FnGSwV>

All proceeds in aid of the Clare Crusaders Children's Clinic

### Annual Matt Talbot Novena in Tulla

The Annual Matt Talbot Novena will continue on Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 7:00PM in Tulla Church with Mass and Benediction. Fr Pat Malone will deliver the reflection. On the night we will welcome choir / musicians from St Josephs's Secondary School. Attending this Novena could be your Lenten resolution.

**Now Enrolling: Fully Funded Adult** Furniture Upcycling classes commencing 7<sup>th</sup> April 2022 in College of Further Education & Training Clonroad Campus, Ennis. No experience necessary, all welcome. To book a place or for more information contact 065 6897654/086 0752014 or email [antoINETTE.houlihan@icetb.ie](mailto:antoINETTE.houlihan@icetb.ie)

### Prayer to the Sleeping St. Joseph Feast Day 19th March.



O St. Joseph you are a man greatly favoured by the Most High. The angel of the Lord appeared to you in dreams, while you slept, to warn and guide you as you cared for the Holy Family. You were both silent and strong, a loyal and courageous protector. Dear St. Joseph, as you rest in the Lord, confident of His absolute power and goodness Look upon me. Please take my need into your heart, dream of it and present to your Son. Help me then, good St. Joseph, To hear the voice of God, to arise and act with love. I praise and thank God with joy. St. Joseph I love you. **Amen**



**Doora Barefield GAA Lottto**  
Next weeks Jackpot €11,800

Venue: Clubhouse

Winners of €50

Kay Lynch, c/o Meeres  
Mary McNamara, Roslevan  
Garrett Greene, Larchill  
Francie McNamara, Barefield



**Thank you for your support**

# Today's Scripture Readings

## Entrance Antiphon

**My eyes are always on the Lord,  
For he rescues my feet from the snare.  
Turn to me and have mercy on me,  
For I am alone and poor.**

### 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 Exodus

**Ex 3:1-8.13-15**

Moses was looking after the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law, priest of Midian. He led his flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in the shape of a flame of fire, coming from the middle of a bush. Moses looked; there was the bush blazing but it was not being burnt up.

"I must go and look at this strange sight", Moses said, "and see why the bush is not burnt". Now the Lord saw him go forward to look, and God called to him from the middle of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" he said. "Here I am" he answered. "Come no nearer" he said. "Take off your shoes, for the place on which you stand is holy ground. I am the God of your father", he said, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob". At this Moses covered his face, afraid to look at God.

And the Lord said, "I have seen the miserable state of my people in Egypt. I have heard their appeal to be free of their slave-drivers. Yes, I am well aware of their sufferings. I mean to deliver them out of the hands of the Egyptians and bring them up out of that land to a land rich and broad, a land where milk and honey flow".

Then Moses said to God, "I am to go, then, to the sons of Israel and say to them, "The God of your fathers has sent me to you". But if they ask me what his name is, what am I to tell them?" And God said to Moses, "I Am who I Am." "This" he added "is what you must say to the sons of Israel:" "The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you." "This is my name for all time; by this name I shall be invoked for all generations to come".

### The word of the Lord

## Responsorial Psalm

**R: 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 does deeds of justice,  
gives judgement for all who are oppressed.  
He has made known his ways to Moses  
and his deeds to Israel's sons.

**R**

The Lord is compassion and love,  
Slow to anger and rich in mercy.  
For as the heavens are high above the earth  
So strong is his love for those who fear him.

**R**

## A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians

**1 Cor 10:1-6.10-12**

I want to remind you, brothers, how our fathers were all guided by a cloud above them and how they all passed through the sea. They were all baptised into Moses in this cloud and in this sea; all ate the same spiritual food and all drank the same spiritual drink, since they all drank from the spiritual rock that followed them as they went, and that rock was Christ. In spite of this, most of them failed to please God and their corpses littered the desert.

These things all happened as warnings for us, not to have the wicked lusts for forbidden things that they had. You must never complain: some of them did, and they were killed by the Destroyer.

All this happened to them as a warning, and it was written down to be a lesson for us who are living at the end of the age. The man who thinks he is safe must be careful that he does not fall.

### The word of the Lord

## Gospel Acclamation

Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!

Repent, says the Lord,

for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.

Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!

## A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

**Lk.13:1-9**

Some people arrived and told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with that of their sacrifices. At this he said to them, 'Do you suppose these Galileans who suffered like that were greater

sinnners than any other Galileans?

They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did.

Or those eighteen on whom the tower at Siloam fell and killed them? Do you suppose that they were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did.'

He told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came looking for fruit on it but found none. He said to the man who looked after the vineyard, "Look here, for three years now I have been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and finding none. Cut it down: why should it be taking up the ground?" "Sir," the man replied "leave it one more year and give me time to dig round it and manure it; it may bear fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down."

## 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

The sparrow finds a home,

And the swallow a nest for her young;

By your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Blessed are they who dwell in your house, forever singing your praise.