

## 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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## DOORA BAREFIELD PARISH NEWSLETTER

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - Year A - 14th May, 2023**

### I will not leave you Orphans

Years ago I read something rather odd:

"The reason mountain climbers are tied together is to keep the sane ones from going home."

Whoever said that was playing with us a bit, for we know mountain climbers are tied together to keep from getting lost or going over a cliff.

But there's another piece of truth here. When things get tough up on the mountain, when fear sets in, many a climber is tempted to say, "This is crazy! I'm going home."

The life of faith can be like that - doubts set in, despair overwhelms us, and the whole notion of believing in God seems crazy.

Jesus knew his disciples would have days like that. So he told them we're tied together like branches on the vine - or like climbers tied to the rope - tied together by the Spirit, to trust in one who is always more than we can understand, to keep us moving ahead on the journey of faith, to encourage us when believing seems absurd.

"I will not leave you orphaned," said Jesus.

"I am coming to you."



**Priest on Duty 14th May, 2023.**  
**Contact Fr. Martin Blake — Tel. 065 6869098**

**Remembered in Masses this week**

**CHURCH OF OUR LADY**

13th May: No intention booked.

20th May: Finola Loftus.

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

14th May: Betty Cullinan, Knockanean, Tulla Road.

Fr. Paddy & Fr. Barney Lynch, Lynch Family & Mary Casey, Doora.

21st May: No intention booked.

**CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, BAREFIELD**

14th May: Kieran Conlon, Ballymacon. MM.

Patrick Conlon, Ballymacon.

21st May: John & Christina Galvin, Ballycarroll.

Brendan Roseingrave, Knockaclara.

Tom Linnane, Ballymaley.

9.30am Mass each Tuesday in Barefield Church.

Novena Mass in Church of Our Lady each Monday 9.30am

*Finance Development Fund*

*7th May*

*Barefield: €99*

*Doora: €108*

*Church of Our Lady: €96*

*Development €667*

*Mile Buíochas*

**Doora Apostolic Work Society** Church Gate Collection for Apostolic Work will be held on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May at Doora Church. All money raised will go to Missions. Thank you for your continued support.



**Remember in your prayers**

**Teresa Keehan,**

Ballinruan,

Sister of Agnes Carmody  
& Bridie Kennedy, Barefield.

**Lucy McCarthy,**

Tulla Road, & Kilishen.

*Goodbyes are for those who love with their eyes.*

*Because for those who love*

*with their heart & soul*

*there is no separation.*



**Ministers of Eucharist  
& Readers**



**This week**

COur Lady: KMorris/NBecker/.JO'Connor

Doora: Martha Neylon

Noreen O'Connor

Barefield: JDevitt/MWhyte

Teresa Nash

**Next week:**

COur Lady: KMorris/NBecker/.JO'Connor

Doora: Owen O'Mahony

Orla Barry

Barefield: MOLoughlin/BGalvin

Nuala Galvin

**Doora Sacristan Rota**

14th May: Owen O'Mahony

21st May: Patricia Hassett

**Church of Our Lady Basket Collector**

13th & 20th May: Michael Williams & Paul Mockler

*May is Safeguarding Month*

The 2022 parish safeguarding audits showed that children's ministry in parishes is slowly returning following the pandemic. We actively encourage children to be involved in the Church and we have developed procedures, policies and forms to assist parishes in this Ministry. For further guidance or assistance with restarting children's ministry, Cleo Yates, Diocesan Director of Safeguarding will be more than happy to assist and can be contacted via the Diocesan Office.



Safeguarding  
— KILLALOE —

**Bus going to Knock** May 21st 9am from Crusheen Church. If interested contact Josephine on 086 8810889.

**Exam Mass at Knock Shrine:** For all students preparing for exams and their families. Take some time out from your studies for a quiet moment to ask for God's strength and guidance as you move through your exam period. Bring your pencil case to have it blessed. Mass June 5<sup>th</sup>, 7.30pm, Knock Basilica

**May the Month of Mary**

We encourage you to pray the Rosary, (even one decade), particularly during May.



Queen of the Angels  
& Queen of the May

### Events at DeValera Library, Ennis.

**The Road that Rises: Reading and Talk** 18 May 6:30pm - 7:30pm. Following on from the very successful launch of Dermot Hayes' memoir *The Road That Rises - a Boy from Kells*, join Dermot Hayes and Breda Shannon for a reading of excerpts from the book followed by a talk on memoir and collaborative writing. A questions and answers session will follow. Free event and everyone is welcome.

**Civil War in Clare: A lecture by Joe Power** 24 May 6.30pm - 7.30pm. This lecture will be delivered by Dr. Joe Power, an award-winning historian of County Clare. He has written extensively on various aspects of County Clare history, which have been published in a range of local historical journals. Free event and all are welcome. **Contact details:** Telephone DeValera Library on 065 6824207 or 065 6891317 or email: [devalera@clarelibrary.ie](mailto:devalera@clarelibrary.ie)

**All Ireland Rosary Rally in Knock** will take place on Saturday June 3rd from 1pm in Knock. It will include Holy Mass, the Rosary, the Stations of the Cross and a talk by Bishop Oliver Doeme. The main celebrant for the Holy Mass is Archbishop Eamon Martin. A bus will leave from Temple Gate 9am. Please book your seat early to avoid disappointment. Ring Séamus Enright: 087 2752578.

**Ennis Rosary Rally** - this is one of over 500 such Rosary Rallies across the country - on Saturday 13th May at 4pm at St. Joseph's Well, Gort Road, Ennis. All welcome.



**Help Children Help Themselves**

Clare Crusaders Childrens Clinic Barefield, Ennis, Co. Clare

# The Pat Bogue 5K

**FUN RUN / WALK – HONOURING THE LEADER**  
**SUNDAY MAY 14<sup>th</sup> @ 1pm**

- €15 entry / Family €25
- Registration at the Clare Crusaders Clinic from 12 noon
- Prizes for 1st 2nd & 3rd, Male & Female, First Juvenile Girl & Boy Prizes
- Raffle on the day with great prizes to win
- All Proceeds in aid of the Clare Crusaders Children's Clinic.

Clare Crusaders Clinic Helping Children with Special Needs

Lynch's 24hr We Never Close

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**Ennis Flower and Garden Club** present Mary Keogh, Tipperary, at Treacys West County Hotel Ennis on Tuesday May 16th, doors open at 7.30pm, €10 non members, demonstration commences at 8.15 sharp, all are welcome, demonstrators arrangements raffled on the night.



# Always Be Optimistic in Jesus!

Trust in the Son of God.  
 Trust in His divine power,  
 His divine providence, and His divine intervention.

For Jesus has risen!  
 He has all power.  
 He is the Abundant Provider  
 for all who trust in Him!

**Don't let any thought distract you from this truth!**

You belong to the Lord.  
 You are a child of God.  
 You have access  
 to all that you need.  
 You have every reason to give  
 a smile,  
 a cheerful word, and  
 a hopeful look.  
 You have every reason to be

## Optimistic in Jesus!

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**Healing Programme for People Bereaved by Suicide.** Are you finding it difficult to cope with the death by suicide of a family member or friend? You could get help at a Healing Programme organised by Clare Suicide Bereavement Support at their premises in Innovation House (near Liddys), Roslevan Centre, Tulla Rd. Ennis, starting at 7.30pm on Tuesday May 16<sup>th</sup> and continuing for eight consecutive Tuesdays. Please feel welcome to come for support and meet others in the same position as yourself. An appointment is not necessary. For further information phone 086 0565373 or 087 3698315. [www.claresuicidebereavementsupport.com](http://www.claresuicidebereavementsupport.com)



**Blood Donor Clinic** at West County Hotel Ennis Monday 15<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 4:50pm - 8:10pm. Oakwood Hotel Shannon Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May 4pm- 7:20pm Both clinics welcome New & Existing Donors. Please call 1800 222 111 to book an appointment



**Clare 250 Cancer Centre Coffee Day** takes place at the centre on Saturday the 20<sup>th</sup> of May from 10am to 4pm. All are welcome and proceeds will help the Clare 250 Lourdes Pilgrimage to take place this September. Eircode V95 CDH9.



**Doora Barefield GAA Lotto**  
 Next weeks Jackpot €15,000  
 Venue: Clubhouse  
 Winners of €50



Bridget Hoey, Roslevan  
 Tom Fitzpatrick, Cappahard  
 John Halpin, Cappahard  
 Aine O'Dwyer, Doora

Thank you for your support



# 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 them-  
selves. 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 God 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 accu-  
sations 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 your 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 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

**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.**