### **Mass Times**

Church of Our Lady, Roslevan

Daily Mass Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri 9.30am Saturday Vigil Mass 6pm

St. Brecan's Church, Doora

Sunday 9.45am

Immaculate Conception, Barefield

Sunday 11.15am Tuesday 9.30am

www.doorabarefieldparish.ie/webcam



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### **DOORA BAREFIELD PARISH NEWSLETTER**

### THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD - Year A - 21st May, 2023

Between Easter Day and Pentecost, we celebrate that time of transition during which the risen Jesus vanishes from the sight of his disciples only to open up a new way of relating to them.

Thanks to the Holy Spirit this new presence of Jesus is established in his word, the sacraments our neighbour and especially the apostolate.

As if by a bridge spanning a river so the disciples had now to leave the familiar bank of the natural presence of Jesus and cross to the other side where they will be taken hold of by the risen Lord.

St. Leo the Great (in sermon 73:4)

"where the Glorious Head has gone before, the body is called to follow in hope let us therefore exult, dearly-beloved, as is fitting and let us rejoice in devout thanksgiving.

For on this day not only are we confirmed in our possession of paradise, but have also entered Heaven in the person of Christ; and through His grace we have regained far more than we have lost through the devil's hatred." The Ascension is the turning point between Jesus' own ministry and the era of the mission of the church.

Luke tells us in the acts of the Apostles 1:8

"you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, you shall be my witnesses to the uttermost parts of the earth."

In today's Gospel Matthew: 28:16-20) James came to the eleven disciples on the mountain in Galilee and these were his last words

"All authority has been given to me in Heaven and on earth. Go and make disciples of all nations baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and the Holy Spirit teaching them to observe all things that I commanded you. Behold I am with you always even to the end of age". Amen



### Priest on Duty 21st May, 2023. Contact Fr. Tom Ryan — Tel. 065 6869098

# Remembered in Masses this week CHURCH OF OUR LADY

**20th May:** Finola Loftus, Roslevan. **27th May:** Paddy & Betty Hennessy, Cappamore.

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

**21st May:** No intention booked. **28th May:** No intention booked.

# CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, BAREFIELD

21st May: John & Christina Galvin, Ballycarroll.
Brendan Roseingrave, Knockaclara.
Tom Linnane, Ballymaley.
28th May: No intention booked.

9.30am Mass each Tuesday in Barefield Church. Novena Mass in Church of Our Lady each Monday 9.30am

> Finance Development Fund 14th May Barefield: €210 Doora: €85 Church of Our Lady: €110 Mile Buiochas

#### Remember in your prayers



Claire Radford (nee Hassett), Spancilhill & Barefield sister of Mary Whyte, Ballyline.

Nora McCarthy, Cappahard & Drumbiggle.

Anne Maher, Fernbrook, Roslevan.

**Tom Mulhern,** Parnell Grove.

Rory Kennedy, Clonteen, Ballyalla.

Goodbyes are for those who love with their eyes.

Because for those who love with their heart & soul



# Ministers of Eucharist & Readers



This week

COur Lady: KMorris/NBecker/.JO'Connor Olive Harvey
Doora: Owen O'Mahony Orla Barry
Barefield: MOLoughlin/BGalvin Nuala Galvin

Next week:

COur Lady: KMorris/NBecker/JO'Connor James O'Connor Doora: Bernard Hallinan Seán Conlan Barefield: MClohessy/CDeloughery Nuala Kennedy

#### Doora Sacristan Rota

21st May: Patricia Hassett 28th May: Martha Neylon

### **Church of Our Lady Basket Collector**

20th May: Michael Williams & Paul Mockler 27th May: James Reynolds & Joan O'Connor.

**Doora Apostolic Work Society** wish to thank you for your generosity at their recent Church Gate Collection. The sum of €610 was donated. Thank you for your continued support. Míle buiochas.

#### 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

May is Safeguarding Month



During the last year, twenty-four Pastoral Ministers were appointed to the Diocese of Killaloe, in Pastoral Care and Catechesis. These Pastoral Ministers have been appointed to different Pastoral Areas, working alongside priests and Pastoral care teams. All the Ministers have been Garda vetted and undertaken Safeguarding training in line with Diocesan Safeguarding Policy.

Prayer, reflection and continues discernment, is a vital part of the Ministers life, ensuring that they remain steadfast and diligent as Pastoral Ministers of the Church.

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

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.

# Blood Donor Clinic at West County Hotel Ennis

Monday 22nd & Tuesday 23rd May 4.45pm – 8pm.

New Donors welcome. Please phone 1800 222 111 for appointment. Did you know that approximately 1000 peo-



ment. Did you know that approximately 1000 people in Ireland get blood transfusions every week?

Transfusions can happen for a variety of reasons cancer treatment, surgery, car accidents,

and childbirth complications to name a few. Your gift could save a life!

#### **Barefield Community Alert**

After twelve years at the helm, Cathal Brodie, Jerry Keohane and Mary Boylan would like to pass on the responsibility to new enthusiastic parishioners. If any one or group are interested in taking over the Community Alert please contact Jerry 0868074060, Mary 086 8203063 or Cathal 087 6388796 before the 15th June. If no interest is received by the 15th June, we will disband the group, close the bank account and donate any funds left to a local charity. Thank you for all your support.

**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 5th, 7.30pm, Knock Basilica.

#### **Exam Prayer**

May the divine guidance of the Holy Spirit
rest upon you to guide you
on areas that are relevant to the forthcoming exam
in Jesus's name.
May God soothe your nerves
and allow you to achieve your desired results.
Lord, you are beside me.
Walk with me,
calm my mind
and reassure my heart
that I have prepared well.
Amen.

#### **Pilgrimages**

**Lourdes Diocesan Pilgrimage** 27th June to 2nd July Booking with Joewalshtours.ie Email: info@joewalshtours.ie Tel: 01 2410800

Franciscan Pilgrimages 22nd September Diocesan Autumn Pilgrimage 2nd October All from Shannon Airport in less than 2 hours

**Lough Derg Annual Parish Pilgrimage** on Monday 7th to Wednesday 9th August. Booking through the Parish Office. **Knock Diocesan Pilgrimage** in association with the Diocese

**Knock Diocesan Pilgrimage** in association with the Diocese of Ferns, led by Bishop Ger Nash on Sunday 2nd July.

**Medjugorie** Wednesday 13th—20th September direct from Shannon Airport. Booking with Kathleen Lee 086 1031508 or Rachel Haren 087 6747869

#### Aifreann Fleadh Nua.



This year, mass will be on Sunday 4th June at 11.30am in the Cathedral.

For those interested in participat-

ing in the Fleadh Nua Choir, a workshop for the choir will be led by Fiona Walsh, Musical Director at the Cathedral, from 12.30-1.30pm on Saturday 3rd June in the Maria Assumpta Hall. All are welcome. Traditional singers will lead the choir through the hymns and responses. Musicians are also invited to join the Trad Group who, with Therese McInerney, will play selections of jigs and reels before and during the mass, further enhancing the celebratory spirit of the event.

Overall, it is hoped that the Aifreann Fleadh Nua will be a wonderful celebration of traditional Irish music and culture. Enquiries to: enniscathedralchoir@gmail.com

#### **Doora National School Parents Council** Sponsored



7K - Bike, Buggy or Run for Fun. Sunday May 28th starting point Doora School at 12 pm. Shorter route for junior participants. No helmet - no cycle. Refreshments at Doora School after event.



**The College of St Flannan at Ennis**, a history of the Killaloe Diocesan Seminary, will be launched by Michael McNamara, T.D. at Cois na hAbhna, Ennis, on Tuesday 23 May, at 8pm. All who are interested in this much anticipated volume are welcome to the launch.

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

John & Eileen Burke, Doora Donal Cahill, Barefield Paul Scahill, Roslevan Martin Lydon, Connolly.

Thank you for your support



### **Today's Scripture Readings**

**Entrance Antiphon** 

Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens?

This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven

Will return as you saw him go, 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 1:1-11

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. "It is", he had said, "what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit."

Now having met together, they asked him, "Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know times or dates that

the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth."

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, "Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there."

#### The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm God goes up with shouts of joy; The Lord goes up with trumpet blast.

All peoples, clap your hands, cry to God with shouts of joy!
For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, great king over all the earth.

God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast. Sing praise for God, sing praise, sing praise to our king, sing praise. **R** 

God is king of all the earth.
Sing praise with all your skill.
God is king over the nations;
God reigns on his holy throne.

# A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians Ep1:17-23

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Power, or Sovereignty, Authority, Domination, or any other name that can be named, not only in this age, but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet, and made him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia, alleluia!
Go, make disciples of all the nations;
I am with you always;
yes, to the end of time.
Alleluia

## A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Mt 28:16-20

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

#### 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 Behold, I am with you always, Even to the end of the age, alleluia.