

DOORA BAREFIELD PARISH NEWSLETTER

Mass Times

Church of Our Lady, Roslevan	
Daily Mass	9.30am
Saturday Vigil Mass	6pm
St. Breacan's Church, Doora	
Sunday	9.45am
Immaculate Conception, Barefield	
Sunday	11.15am
www.doorabarefieldparish.ie/webcam	



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Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) 27th August 2023

CHRISTIANITY CALLS US TO CHANGE

This gospel is most often cited as the reason for and proof of, papal authority and the line of succession from Peter. Peter makes the profound declaration that Jesus is the Son of the living God and is given the keys of the kingdom of heaven. There are other occasions in the Gospel when this declaration is made without the same consequences but maybe that's a debate for another time.

There is a lot going in these few lines and indeed many would see the seed of the sacrament of reconciliation when Jesus says whatever is considered bound or loosed on earth it shall be so in heaven. This is also a profound declaration and one that really ought to challenge all who profess to be followers of Christ.

If we see this power from Jesus as something to be used in our human ways, the risk for a priest in confession is that it is used as a power over other people. To control others, to threaten them; it almost sounds like blackmail. If you don't do this, if you don't act as I tell you, then I am not going to forgive you, I won't let you into heaven. I'm the right one here, I have the power.

Could we see that here Jesus is challenging Peter and the apostles, asking them will they act as human beings usually do or will they act believing in the way of Christ; will they use their power not over others but for the good of others; if we are a child of God, a brother or sister of Christ the Son of the Living God, how can we possibly withhold our love and compassion from another child of God? See how Jesus tells them not to tell anyone that he was the Christ. Isn't that absolutely at odds with how we as a human being would want something so important to be spread instantly? This is Jesus showing that his way is different.

Christianity is no easy way of life for it constantly calls us to a change, to a standard of living far above the way of life that so many fall into, with a rush to judge and build a wall of condemnation that we ourselves would find impossible to get over.



Priest on Duty: 27th August, 2023
Contact Fr. David Carroll Tel. 065 6869098

Remembered in Masses this week
CHURCH OF OUR LADY
ROSLEVAN

26th Aug: Maureen Reidy, The Willows, Oakleigh Wood
2nd Sept: Martin & Delia Mangan, Ballaghboy.

ST. BRECAN'S CHURCH DOORA

(In Church of Our Lady temporarily)

27th Aug: No intention booked.

3rd Sept: Nuala Moloney, Gaurus & Dublin. 1st Anniv.

Church of the Immaculate
Conception, Barefield

27th Aug: Pauline O'Grady, Larchill.

Flannan Moroney, Drumgloon, Barefield. 1st Anniv.

3rd Sept: Tom Kelly, Barefield.

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

Finance Development Fund

20th August

Barefield: €110

Doora: €69

Church of Our Lady: €120

Development: €487

Mile Buiochas

First Friday Mass



First Friday Mass at Church of the Immaculate Conception, Barefield on Friday 8th September at 7pm. If you or someone you know would like a First Friday call please contact Fr. Tom or the Parish Office with details.



REST IN PEACE

Remember in your prayers



Evelyn Griffin,
Ballyalla.

*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:	DLeahy/MOCallaghan/KMorris	Jimmy O'Loughlin
Doora:	Seán Conlon	Orla Barry
Barefield:	MOLoughlin/BGalvin	Nuala Kennedy

Next week:

COur Lady:	NBecker/JOConnor/MMcGuire	Maria O'Driscoll
Doora:	Maria Considine	Seán Conlan
Barefield:	MClohessy/CDeloughery	Margaret Garden

Doora Sacristan Rota

27th August: Teresa Hallinan

3rd Sept: Mary Enright

Church of Our Lady Basket Collector

26th August: Dan Lenihan/Tom Heath

2nd Sept: Michael Williams/Paul Mockler

Eucharistic



Adoration

Adoration in Barefield Church

on Wednesday evenings
from 6pm to 10pm. All are welcome.

A Prayer of Gratitude
for the Blessings of the Month

Dear Heavenly Father,
I come before You
with a heart overflowing with gratitude. Thank You for
the abundance of blessings You have bestowed upon
me
throughout this month.

I am grateful for the gift of life,
for the love of family and friends,
for the provision of my needs,
and for the opportunities
that have come my way.
Your goodness and faithfulness
have been evident in every area of my life.

Annual Graveyard Masses

Will be celebrated at Castletown & Bunnaw as follows:

Castletown Cemetery

Tuesday 29th August 7pm

Bunnaw Cemetery

Wednesday 30th August 7pm

All welcome.

Back to School!

Best wishes to all those returning to school shortly and the entire
school community. Have a safe, healthy and happy school year.

Déan comhrá

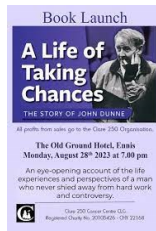
Bíonn fáilte roimh chách ag Caint agus Comhrá gach seachtain in Inis.

All are welcome to join in their informal in-person chats in Irish over a cuppa in Ennis. Venues include: Copper Jug, Dé Luain; O'Brien's, Dé Céadaoin; glór cafe, Dé Sathairn all starting at 11.00AM; and Temple Gate, Déardaoin 8.00PM.

Eolas; caintaguscomhra@outlook.com

The Clare 250 Organisation cordially invites you to the book launch of 'A Life of Taking Chances - The Story of John Dunne' at The Old Ground Hotel, Ennis on Monday, August 28th at 7pm.

All profits from the sale of the book will be donated to the Clare 250.



THE BURREN RAMBLE 2023



The waters and the wild of the Burren are calling to everyone to come on out on Sunday 3 September for the Burren Ramble in aid of the RNLI Lifeboats. Base camp is in the heart of the Caher Valley for parking at 11am. This route for parking is by the Caher River & St Patrick's church in Fanore. The 8km ramble leaves at 12 noon. This year the ramble will be all on the road leading up into Caherbullog and Lismorahaun. The World famous Lismorahaun singers will sing in their own place for the ramblers. Bring suitable walking and weather gear. Info from 0876260301. All proceeds to the RNLI Lifeboats.

Tour to Croatia now booking. Limited places available.

For information and/or booking please contact Sr Annette Sexton at 087 9247025.

Adult Education Opportunity

For adults interested in studying on a part-time basis for Single subject Leaving Certificate options (Maths, Geography, English, History), contact Mike at the College of Further Education And Training Ennis Campus in Clonroad or phone 065-6897644.

Courses are fully funded with no fees. For further details logon to www.Collegeoffet.ie/Ennis-Campus.

Flute and Tin-Whistle Classes- commencing in Ennis in September. All levels catered for. Group and individual classes available. Contact Brid for more information 0876217337.

Clare Music Makers' Open Day 2023. Saturday 2nd September 10.00am – 1.00pm An opportunity to try out the instruments, meet the tutors and get more information. All welcome! Now enrolling for September. (V95X3TR)



Employability Clare

If you have an illness, disability or any extra support needs and would like some help to find work, EmployAbility Clare can assist you.

For further information, contact Karen on (065) 6844007 or email info@employabilityclare.ie or log on to www.employabilityclare.ie

-Lourdes Pilgrimages - Both the Franciscan and Diocesan Autumn Pilgrimages are now fully booked.

Positivity Prayer to Start the Day



Lord, in the morning I start each day,
by taking a moment to bow and pray.

Beginning with thanks,
I then give praise for all your kind and loving ways.

Today if sunshine turns to rain,
if a dark cloud brings some pain,
I won't doubt or hide in fear.
For you, my God, are always near.

I will travel where you lead;
I will help my friends in need.
Where you send me, I will go;
with your help, I'll learn and grow.

Hold my family in your hands,
as we follow your commands.
And I will keep you close in sight
when I crawl in bed tonight.

Mary Fairchild

Doora Barefield GAA Lotto

Next weeks Jackpot: €11,200.

Venue: Clubhouse.

Winner of Jackpot
Louise Guilfoyle, Roslevan

Thank you for your support.



Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

Turn your ear, O Lord and answer me;
save the servant who trusts in you,
my God.

Have mercy on me, O Lord,
for I cry to you all the day long.

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 prophet Isaiah.

Is 22:19-23

Thus says the Lord of hosts to Shebna, the
master of the palace:

I dismiss you from your office,

I remove you from your post,

and the same day I call on my servant
Eliakim son of Hilkiyah.

I invest him with your robe,

gird him with your sash,

entrust him with your authority;

and he shall be a father

to the inhabitants of Jerusalem

and to the House of Judah.

I place the key of the House of David
on his shoulder;

should he open, no one shall close,

should he close, no one shall open.

I drive him like a peg

into a firm place;

he will become a throne of glory

for his fathers house.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response:

Your love, O Lord, is eternal,

Discard not the work of your hands.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
you have heard the words of my mouth.

Before the angels I will bless you.

I will adore before your holy temple. **R.**

I thank you for your faithfulness and love
Which excel all we ever knew of you.

On the day I called, you answered;

You increased the strength of my soul. **R.**

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly
And the haughty he knows from afar.

Your love, O Lord, is eternal,

Discard not the work of your hands. **R.**

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans. **Rm11:33-36**

How rich are the depths of God - how
deep his wisdom and knowledge - and
how impossible to penetrate his motives or
understand his methods! Who could ever
know the mind of the Lord? Who could
ever be his counsellor? Who could ever
give him anything or lend him anything?
All that exists comes from him; all is by
him and for him. To him be glory for ever!
Amen.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

**You are Peter and on this rock I will
build my Church.**

**And the gates of the underworld can
never hold out against it.**

Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew **Mt16:13-20**

When Jesus came to the region of
Caesarea Philippi he put this question to
his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son
of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is
John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others
Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But
you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then

Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,'
he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus
replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a
happy man! Because it was not flesh and
blood that revealed this to you but my
Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You
are Peter and on this rock I will build my
Church. And the gates of the underworld
can never hold out against it. I will give you
the keys of the kingdom of heaven:
whatever you bind on earth shall be
considered bound in heaven; whatever you
loose on earth shall be considered loosed
in heaven.' Then he gave the disciples strict
orders not to tell anyone that he was the
Christ.

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 earth is replete with the fruits of
your work, O Lord;
you bring forth bread from the earth
and wine to cheer the heart**