

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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Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) 17th September 2023

FORGIVENESS

Forgiveness Jesus taught us that if we wanted God to forgive us, then we must learn to forgive each other. Forgiveness means different things to different people. But in general, it involves an intentional decision to let go of resentment and anger. The Mayo Clinic reminds us that letting go can make way for improved health and peace of mind. Forgiveness can lead to healthier relationships, improved mental health, lower blood pressure and improved self esteem.

When we forgive someone, or when they forgive us, we lose our feeling of anger and hurt; we no longer want to pay them back, we become friends again. Jesus showed us how to forgive others and how he would forgive us.

The gospel story tells us that God is always ready and willing to forgive, even our most serious offences. When this is the behaviour of our God, we do not have any excuse to deny anyone our forgiveness. This can be hard to do at times. What might help us to come to a place of forgiveness? Try to see the situation from the other person's point of view.

Reflect on why they may have behaved that way. Pray to God to help you to forgive. You might like to write in a journal, or use a guided meditation to help you. Talk with someone you trust and have found to be wise and compassionate. Be aware that forgiveness is a process, and even small hurts may need to be revisited and forgiven over and over again.

It is not always easy to forgive someone, which is why we need to see them with the eyes of God. We can ask the Holy Spirit to help us, to guide us and heal us.

Prayer for forgiveness

Father, bless me with the wonderful power of forgiveness, give me the grace to unconditionally forgive those who have done me wrong. Give me the strength to let go of all ill-will, and sins, knowing that you have already forgiven me. Amen



Priest on Duty: 17th September, 2023
Contact Fr. David Carroll Tel. 065 6869098

Remembered in Masses this week
CHURCH OF OUR LADY
ROSLEVAN

16th Sept: Martin & Josephine Horan, Castletown, Doora.
23rd Sept: No intention booked.

ST. BRECAN'S CHURCH DOORA

(In Church of Our Lady temporarily)
17th Sept: No intention booked.
24th Sept: No intention booked.

Church of the Immaculate
Conception, Barefield

17th Sept: Seamus O'Halloran, Carhudotia.
Maureen & Celsus Heath, Drumgrannagh.
Fri 22nd Sept 7pm: Evelyn Griffin, Ballyalla. MM.
24th Sept: Rose Conlon, Ballymaconna.

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

Finance Development Fund
10th September
Barefield: €100
Doora: €85
Church of Our Lady: €124
Development: €1,290
Mile Buiochas

GRATITUDE

Turns what we have into
Enough, and more.
It turns denial into acceptance,
Chaos into order, confusion into clarity,
It makes sense of our past,
Brings peace for today,
And creates a vision for tomorrow.
Melody Beattie



REST IN PEACE

Wilhelm Niehaus,
Barefield.

*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:	NBecker/JOConnor/MMcGuir	Michael Guilfoyle
Doora:	Owen O'Mahony	Seamus Enright
Barefield:	NKennedy/LCorcoran	Tara Donnellan

Next week:

Cour Lady:	NBecker/JOConnor/MMcGuire	Michael Guilfoyle
Doora:	Bernard Hallinan	Michael Cusack
Barefield:	MRowland/MCloughesy	Teresa Nash

Doora Sacristan Rota

17th Sept: Cora Burke
24th Sept: Mary Hallinan

Church of Our Lady Basket Collector

16th/23rd Sept: JReynolds & Joan O'Connor

Adoration in Barefield Church

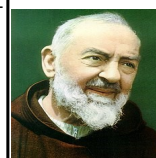
on Wednesday evenings
from 6pm to 10pm.



Holy Hour in Church of Our Lady, Roslevan

every Thursday 10am to 11am
starting Thursday 21st September.

Padre Pio Triduum Padre Pio Triduum at the Friary,



Ennis from Thursday 21st to Saturday 23rd
September at 7.30pm. Thursday: Archbishop Kieran
O'Reilly; Friday: Fr. Liam McCarthy, OFM & Fr.
Martin Shanahan. Saturday: Bishop Fintan
Monahan.

Samaritans Ennis and Clare

SAMARITANS

are currently seeking new volunteers for
the Autumn 2023 training programme.
Volunteers offer their time (approximately
3 to 4 hours a week) to help deliver a 24-hour emotional support
service to callers from all walks of life. If you are tolerant, open-
minded, and willing to help others please call 085 1763491 or
email ennis.branchrecruitment@samaritans.org for further
information.

St. Michael's Holy Well Mass will be celebrated by Fr.
Tom Fitzpatrick on Friday the 29th September at 6.30pm.

Pilgrims will gather at 6pm at the top of the farmers access
road next to N18 By-Pass Bridge, Quin Road, Ennis, for
onward Pilgrim Walk to St. Michael's Holy Well,
Kilbrean.

Join us in the footsteps of our ancestors on this
ancient pilgrim path. All welcome.





Ennis Flower & Garden Club present Helen Cusack, Limerick, at Treacys West County Hotel Ennis on Tuesday September 19th doors open at 7.30 and demonstration starts at 8.15 sharp, all are welcome, 10 non members, demonstrators arrangements raffled on the night, contact ennisflowerandgardenclub@gmail.com

'Autumnal Sounds' - Free Concert for Culture Night

All welcome on 22 September 2023, 7.30-8.30pm in Clare Museum, Ennis (V95 EC92)



CULTURE NIGHT

Music and poetry performed by: Joanne Callinan, Deirdre Griffin, Emer O'Flaherty, Roisin McMullin

and Satakieli Choir (conductor Richard Pomfret) Admission Free

Phoenix and Wolfe will be performing at Le Chéile Cafe Barefield 7pm September 22nd as part of the Clare culture night. Entry is free.

Tulla Comhaltas Culture Concert with members of the Tulla Céilí Band onn Friday next, September 22nd at 8pm Tulla Comhaltas are staging a FREE concert at Cnoc Na Gaoithe, Tulla, with members of the Tulla Ceili Band including fiddle player Mark Donnellan, Jim Corry on piano and Brian Donnellan on concertina & Bozouki.

Also Tulla Comhaltas All Ireland Fleadh Finalists from Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann - Flute player/Dancer Stephen Kennedy. Singer Cara Hely, Concertina ALL Ireland Champion, Edel Cusack, and the trio of Orla Cusack, Rianagh Murphy and Aishling White. Also the u12 set dancers will be stepping it out. Bringing the 2023 Culture Night to a close is an open trad session headed up by Cushla Murphy, Éabha McInerney and Ronan Kennedy where everyone is welcome to play along or just listen to some great trad music.

Clare Roots Society

Your Irish Ancestors: Getting Started on your Family Tree by Clara Hoyne Thursday 21st September at 7.30pm at Clare Education Centre, Kilrush Road, Ennis – V95F782 This is for beginners and there is no charge for this event.

Chair exercise for seniors/active retired

Suitable for those living with arthritis, Dementia, limited mobility. It's gentle and fun. Tuesdays 11-12noon in Kincora Park V95 WRW7 For more information contact Trish 0868507227

Irish Red Cross 5k Run, Walk or Jog in aid of Irish Red Cross Clare Community Services. Saturday 23rd September next at 11am start from Lee's Road, Ennis. Registration Fees: Adult €15; Family €25.

Prizes 1st, 2nd & 3rd for Male/Female. To register visit www.eventbrite.com or arrive early on the day pam to 10.45am. In memory of Bridget O'Leary.



Doora Barefield GAA Lotto

Next weeks Jackpot: €11,200.

Venue: Clubhouse.

Winners of €50

Carmel Hynes, Donegal,
Dermot Leahy, Doora,
Colm Hassett, Barefield,
Joe Conlan, Barefield

Thank you for your support.



Let Justice and Peace Flow
Season of Creation 2023

Creator of All,

From your communion of love life sprung forth like a mighty river and the whole cosmos came into being.

On this Earth of overflowing love, the Word was made flesh and went forth with the life-giving waters proclaiming peace and justice for all creation.

You called human beings to till and keep your garden. You placed us into right relationship with each creature, but we failed to listen to the cries of the Earth and the cries of the most vulnerable.

We broke with the flowing communion of love and sinned against you by not safeguarding the conditions for life.

We lament the loss of our fellow species and their habitats, we grieve the loss of human cultures, along with the lives and livelihoods that have been displaced or perished, and we ache at the sight of an economy of death, war and violence that we have inflicted on ourselves and on the Earth.

Open our ears to your creative, reconciling and sustaining Word that calls to us through the book of Scripture and the book of creation.

Bless us once again with your life-giving waters so that the Creator Spirit may let justice and peace flow in our hearts and overflow into all creation.

Open our hearts to receive the living waters of God's justice and peace, and to share it with our suffering brothers and sisters, all creatures around us, and all creation.

Bless us to walk together with all people of good will so that the many streams of the living waters of God's justice and peace may become a mighty river all over the Earth.

In the name of the One who came to proclaim good news to all creation, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

Give peace, O Lord,
to those who wait for you,
that your prophets be found true.
Hear the prayers of your servant,
and of your people Israel.

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 book of Ecclesiastics.

Si 27:30 - 28:7

Resentment and anger, these are foul things,
and both are found with the sinner.

He who exacts vengeance will experience the
vengeance of the Lord,
who keeps strict account of sin.

Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you,
and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven.
If a man nurses anger against another,
can he then demand compassion from the
Lord?

Showing no pity for a man like himself,
can he then plead for his own sins?

Mere creature of flesh,
he cherishes resentment; who will forgive him
his sins?

Remember the last things, and stop hating,
remember dissolution and death,
and live by the commandments.

Remember the commandments, and do not
bear your neighbour ill-will; remember the
covenant of the Most High, and overlook the
offence.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

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

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 everyone of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion. **R**

His wrath will come to an end; he will not be
angry for ever. He does not treat us accord-
ing to our sins nor repay us according to
our faults. **R**

For as the heavens are high above the
earth so strong is his love for those who
fear him.

As far as the east is from the west
so far does he remove our sins. **R**

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans. **Rom 14:7-9**

The life and death of each of us has its
influence on others; if we live, we live for
the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord,
so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord.
This explains why Christ both died and
came to life, it was so that he might be the
Lord both of the dead and of the living.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Speak, Lord, your servant is listening:
You have the message of eternal life.
Alleluia!**

A reading from the holy Gospel accord- ing to Matthew **Mt 18:21-35**

Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how
often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs
me? As often as seven times?' Jesus
answered, 'Not seven, I tell you, but
seventy seven times'.

'And so the kingdom of heaven may be
compared to a king who decided to settle
his accounts with his servants. When the
reckoning began, they brought him a man
who owed ten thousand talents; but he had
no means of paying, so his master gave
orders that he should be sold, together with
his wife and children and all his posses-
sions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant
threw himself down at his master's feet.
'Give me time', he said 'and I will pay the

whole sum.' And the servant's master felt
so sorry for him that he let him go and
cancelled the debt. Now as this servant
went out, he happened to meet a fellow
servant who owed him one hundred denarii;
and he seized him by the throat and began
to throttle him. "Pay what you owe me", he
said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and
implored him, saying, "Give me time and I
will pay you." But the other would not agree;
on the contrary, he had him thrown into
prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow
servants were deeply distressed when they
saw what had happened, and they went to
their master and reported the whole affair to
him. Then the master sent for him. "You
wicked servant," he said "I cancelled all that
debt of yours when you appealed to me.
Were you not bound, then, to have pity on
your fellow servant just as I had pity on
you?" And in his anger the master handed
him over to the torturers till he should pay
all his debt. And that is how my heavenly
Father will deal with you unless you each
forgive your brother from your heart.'

The Gospel of the Lord

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things vi-
sible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only
Begotten Son of God, born of the Father be-
fore 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 be-
lieve 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

**How precious is your mercy, O God!
The children of men seek shelter in the
shadow of your wings.**