

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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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) 11th February, 2024

Following Jesus' Way

The Gospel story is one of healing and touching. Strictly speaking, Jesus should not have touched a leper. Neither should the leper have approached Jesus, as lepers had to isolate themselves and call out "unclean, unclean" to anyone who approached.

The Lord, he reached out with compassion and touched him, he shows that God cared and loved him. Jesus restored him to full health and brought him back as a full member of his family and community.

Jesus is obedient to the Jewish law in complying with the regulations surrounding the proof of a cure, and so tells the man to go to the priest and make the stipulated offering.

Yet Jesus was there for the leper as he was for others despised by society.

As we try to follow Jesus' way, we may ask ourselves who are the outcasts today?

In the gospel a leper begged for a cure. His desire met the desire of Jesus for him. Jesus wanted to be known as more than a miracle worker, so he asked the man to be quite.

May we have the courage and humanity to bring our desire to the Lord and allow him to transform them so that they are more in harmony with his desire for us.



Who are the lepers in our life?

Is it the difficult neighbour who wants to greet us, or the unpopular classmate who never agrees with anyone, or the annoying co-worker who has his own way of doing things, or the demanding relation who manages to burrow under our

This week, may we identify the lepers in our lives, and reach out and touch them first, so God can heal them.

Priest on Duty: 11th February, 2024

Contact - Fr. Ger Jones - Tel. 065 6869098

Remembered in Masses this week **CHURCH OF OUR LADY ROSLEVAN**

10th Feb: John Joe Lyons, Cappamore, Barefield.

17th Feb: Joseph Conroy, Ballaghboy. **1st Anniv.**

ST. BRECAN'S CHURCH

11th Feb: Terence Torpey, Kilfenora.

Peg Cleary, College Rd.

18th Feb: Peggy Conroy, Noughaville, Doora.

Church of the Immaculate Conception, Barefield

11th Feb: Brendan Hassett, Trinaderry. **MM.**

Joe Whyte, Ballyline.

Mary Greene (nee Kitson), Larchill.

Michael Hassett & Hassett Family, Barefield.

Eileen Loughnane & Loughnane Family, Tulla.

18th Feb: John Fitzgerald, Barefield.

Michael & Josephine Carmody, Barefield &
Kitty, Vincent & James Conroy, Trim, Co. Meath.

9.30am Mass each Tuesday in Barefield Church.

Novena Mass in Church of Our Lady each Monday 9.30am

Finance Development Fund

4th February

Barefield: €86

Doora: €93

Church of Our Lady: €160

Development: €530

Míle buíochas

Thought for the Week

Stay strong in God.....

For after winter, summer comes;

After night—the day returns;

And after a storm calm is restored.

Thomas A. Kempis

REST IN PEACE

Remember in your prayers

William (Willie) Slattery,
Moyriesk Hill,
Quin.

Now in God's hands, forever in our hearts



Ministers of Eucharist & Readers



This week:

Cour Lady:

NBecker/HHerlihy

Jimmy O'Loughlin

Doora:

Maria Considine

Noreen O'Connor

Barefield:

JDevitt/MWhyte

Seamus Leamy

Next week:

Cour Lady:

NBecker/HHerlihy

Jimmy O'Loughlin

Doora:

Owen O'Mahony

Seán Conlan

Barefield:

MRowland/NKennedy

Maeve O'Donnell

Doora Sacristan Rota

11th Feb: Mary Hallinan

18th Feb: Anne Marie Custy

Church of Our Lady Basket Collector

10th Feb: Michael Williams & Paul Mockler

17th Feb: James Reynolds/Joan O'Connor

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Breacan's
Church, Doora every Wednesday 6pm to 10pm. New members
very welcome.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES



**Ash Wednesday Masses and Blessing
and distribution of Ashes
on Wednesday next 14th February.**

Church of Our Lady, Roslevan

9.30am

Church of the Immaculate Conception, Barefield

7pm

St. Breacan's Church, Doora

8pm

Lourdes Novena

This is the final weekend of the novena for the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and World Day of Prayer for the Sick will take place in Ennis Cathedral.

Saturday 11am and Sunday 11.30am. Novena prayer cards are available in the Cathedral and Ennis Parish Office. The Novena can be viewed online on the Ennis Cathedral webcam.



**Mass for Temperance Sunday & World Day
of Prayer for the Sick** will be broadcast this
Sunday 11 February at 11am on RTÉ TV &
Radio.





Prayer During Lent...

You are invited to come along to Doora Church on Friday evenings during Lent at 7pm to reflect on The Stations of The Cross.

We gather to spend a little time away from the hustle and bustle

to honour the tradition passed on for generations, where we walk with Jesus through his passion. All welcome.

Medjugorje Pilgrimage: Direct flights from Shannon to Mostar-Medjugorje, 28th August to 11st September. Spiritual Director: Fr. Martin Shanahan. Contact James on 085 738385 or 065 9059328.

Clare Older People's Volunteer of the Year

Award 2024. The search is on again to recognise those who give their time, energy and skills to help others in the local community. For a nomination form please email: agefriendlyclare@clarecoco.ie or telephone (065) 6846240 or visit

www.clarecoco.ie/services/community/age-friendly-programme/age-friendly-county/

Nomination forms must be submitted by **Friday 1st March 2024.**



Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes & World Day of Prayer for the Sick.



World Day of the Sick

This Sunday we celebrate the 166th anniversary of Mary', God's Mother appearing to St Bernadette at Lourdes and inviting her to bring people to Lourdes on pilgrimage. This invitation is now issued to the Diocese of Killaloe to come on pilgrimage to Lourdes from Friday 21st June to

Wednesday 26th June .Cost €899pp sharing .

Booking can be made with joewalshstours.ie or 01 2410800

The Diocese will be able to bring 24 assisted pilgrims , for more information on this section , please contact Fr Tom Ryan Pilgrimage Director , 087 2349816 or tfryan.ennis@gmail.com

Daily Lenten Messages

Brief (less than one minute) daily multi-media spiritual reflections from Bishop Fintan will be available on the various social media platforms every day for Lent, Holy Week and the Easter Octave. Subscribe (at no cost – just click on the subscribe button) to <https://www.youtube.com/@BishopFintanMonahan> to keep up to date with many events around the diocese and beyond.



Doora Barefield GAA Lotto

Next weeks Jackpot: €

Venue: Clubhouse,

Winner of €50

Patrick O'Connor, Doora,
Alexandra Potter, Quin,
Geraldine O'Dwyer, Doora
Evelyn Ball, Barefield

Thank you for your support



Prayer on St. Valentine's Day



*Loving Father, I pray for an open
heart and mind,
so that I may recognise
and be grateful for all
the love in my life.*

*I pray that I might find a new sense
of wholeness,
joy and peace in your love.
Remove all obstacles
so that I may grow in love
throughout my life.*

*Give me the grace to trust
in your loving plan for me,
so that whatever my circumstances
over the course of my life,
I may know that I am not alone,
that I am loved by You,
my loving Father
who is full of tenderness,
mercy and compassion. Amen.*

Happy St. Valentine's Day

Doora Barefield Parent & Toddler Group
is closed for mid-term next Tuesday 13th February.

Shrove Tuesday—13th February

Shrove Tuesday



Shrove Tuesday is the name of the day before the start of Lent on Ash Wednesday.

The word "shrove" is the past tense of the English verb "shrive" which means **to obtain absolution for one's sins** by way of confession and by doing penance.

On this day, Catholics are encouraged to go to confession in preparation for the penitential Season.

Catholic Fortress

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

**Be my protector, O God,
a mighty stronghold to save me.
For you are my rock, my stronghold!
Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your
name.**

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 Leviticus.

Lv 13:1-2.44-46

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a
swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a
man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to
be suspected. The man must be taken to
Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who
are his sons.'
'The man is leprous; he is unclean. The
priest must declare him unclean; he is
suffering from leprosy of the head. A man
infected with leprosy must wear his clothing
torn and his hair disordered; he must shield
his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean". As
long as the disease lasts a person must be
unclean; and therefore he must live apart;
he must live outside the camp.'

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm Response:
You are my refuge, O Lord;
You fill me with the joy of salvation

Happy the man whose offence is forgiven,
Whose sin is remitted.
O happy the man to whom the Lord
imputes no guilt,
In whose spirit is no guile. **R.**

But now I have acknowledged my sins;
My guilt I did not hide.
I said: 'I will confess my offence to the
Lord.'
And you, Lord, have forgiven
the guilt of my sin. **R.**

Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord,
Exult, you just!
O come, ring out your joy,
All you upright of heart. **R.**

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians. 1 Cor 10:31 - 11:1

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink,
whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of
God. Never do anything offensive to any-
one - to Jews or Greeks or to the Church
of God; just as I try to be helpful to every-
one at all times, not anxious for my own
advantage but for the advantage of
everybody else, so that they may be
saved. Take me for your model, as I take
Christ.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

**May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
Enlighten the eyes of our mind,
So that we can see what hope his call
holds for us.
Alleluia!**

A reading from the holy Gospel accord- ing to Mark Mk 1:40- 45

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his
knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can
cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus
stretched out his hand and touched him.
'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!'

And the leprosy left him at once and he was
cured. Jesus immediately sent him away
and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say
nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself
to the priest, and make the offering for your
healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of
your recovery.' The man went away, but
then started talking about it freely and telling
the story everywhere, so that Jesus could
no longer go openly into any town, but had
to stay outside in places where nobody
lived. Even so, people from all around would
come 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 be-
came 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 as-
cended into heaven and is seated at the
right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the liv-
ing 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 Fa-
ther 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

**They ate and had their fill,
and what they craved the Lord gave
them; They were not disappointed in
what they craved.**