

# 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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**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) 4th February, 2024**

## He went to her, took her by the hand and helped her up

The Lord went to the house of Simon Peter and Andrew and found Peter's mother-in-law sick with a fever. He took her by the hand and raised her, the fever left her, and she served them.

Jesus' entire mission is symbolically portrayed in this episode. Jesus, sent by the Father, visited peoples' homes on our earth and found a humanity that was sick, sick with fever, not just physical illness but also the fever of hatred, greed, selfishness and the forgetfulness of God. The Lord gives us his hand, lifts us up and heals us. He does so in all ages; he takes us by the hand with his Word. He takes us by the hand in the sacraments.

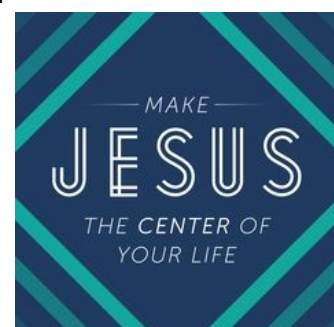
Jesus stayed at Peter's house, but he rose before dawn while it was still dark and went out to find a deserted place to pray. And here we see a vital aspect of Jesus life and ministry.

Jesus prayed to God the Father. Jesus comes down from heaven to bring us up to God. In the Mass Jesus prays with us, we pray with Jesus, and so we enter into real contact with God, we enter into the mystery of eternal love of the Most Holy Trinity.

Jesus speaks to the Father: this is the source and centre of all Jesus' activities; we see his preaching, his cures, his miracles and they spring from his union with God the Father, manifest in prayer. Prayer fuelled his ministry. Prayer helps us to put God first and to grow in faith.

In this way this Gospel teaches us that the centre of our faith and our lives should be the primacy of God. If we genuinely put God first, then that faith in God should express itself by loving, respecting and caring for our neighbour.

Through Jesus, God reaches out to us, to raise us up, to bring us healing and to bring us closer to Him. We too are called to extend our hand to our sisters and brothers in need, to raise others up. Immediately after her healing, Peter's mother in law began to serve. The best way we can thank God for the graces and blessings he has given to us, is by serving others who are in need.



**Priest on Duty: 4th February, 2024**  
**Contact - Fr. Tom Fitzpatrick - Tel. 065 6869098**

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

**3rd Feb:** Sr. Gregory Hennessy, Cappamore,  
Barefield & Bon Secours Hospital, Cork.  
**10th Feb:** John Joe Lyons, Cappamore, Barefield.

**ST. BRECAN'S CHURCH**

**4th Feb:** Con Keane, West Cork.  
**11th Feb:** Terence Torpey, Kilfenora.  
Peg Cleary, College Rd.

**Church of the Immaculate**  
**Conception, Barefield**

**4th Feb:** No intention booked.  
**10th Feb 11.30am:** Bernadette Murphy, Drumquin. **1st Anniv.**  
**11th Feb:** Brendan Hassett, Trinaderry. **MM.**  
Joe Whyte, Ballyline.  
Mary Greene (nee Kitson), Larchill.  
Michael Hassett & Hassett Family, Barefield.  
Eileen Loughnane & Loughnane Family, Tulla.

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

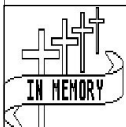
**Finance Development Fund**

**28th January**  
Barefield: €198  
Doora: €191  
Church of Our Lady: €169  
Development: €1,601

**Mile buiochas**



Keep your heart free from hate,  
your mind from worry.  
Live simply, expect little, give much.  
Scatter sunshine,  
forget self, think of others.  
Always be kind.



**REST IN PEACE**

Remember in your prayers

**Teresa Loughnane,**  
Cooga,  
Kildysart,  
Sister in law of Martin Loughnane,  
Ballycarroll

*Now in God's hands, forever in our hearts*



**Ministers of Eucharist**  
**& Readers**



**This week:**

<b>COur Lady:</b>	NBecker/HHerlihy	Jimmy O'Loughlin
<b>Doora:</b>	Seán Conlan	Tom Meade
<b>Barefield:</b>	CLeamy/Maura Dowling	Carmel McGovern

**Next week:**

<b>Cour Lady:</b>	NBecker/HHerlihy	Jimmy O'Loughlin
<b>Doora:</b>	Maria Considine	Noreen O'Connor
<b>Barefield:</b>	JDevitt/MWhyte	Seamus Leamy

**Doora Sacristan Rota**

4th Feb: Cora Burke  
11th Feb: Mary Hallinan

**Church of Our Lady Basket Collector**

3rd & 10th Feb: Michael Williams & Paul Mockler

**CELEBRATION OF WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**  
**AND BLESSING OF MARRIAGE**

by Bishop Fintan on Saturday 10th February  
at 2:30 pm Church of Our Lady, Roslevan  
Cake and coffee reception after.



Family and friends are welcome!

**General Blessing of Throats**  
**Feast of St. Blaise**

A general blessing of throats will take place at all  
Masses this weekend.



**Doora Church Crib**

Thank you to all who made donations to Doora Church Crib.  
The sum of €170 was collected and has been donated to Mill Hill  
Missionaries Gaza Fund.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St.**

Brecan's Church, Doora every Wednesday  
6pm to 10pm. New members very welcome.



ADORATION  
of the  
BLESSED  
SACRAMENT



**Lourdes Novena** - A novena in preparation  
for the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and World  
Day of Prayer for the Sick will take place in the  
Cathedral Ennis from Saturday 3rd February to  
Sunday 11th February.

Weekdays at 7.30pm, 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.  
Petitions can be left at the shrine in the Cathedral by Tuesday 6th  
February, that will be brought to Lourdes by Fr Tom for the feast  
day and World Day of Prayer for the Sick on Sunday 11th  
February.

This year our Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes direct from Shannon  
Airport will be from Friday 21st June to Wednesday 26th June and  
our Autumn Pilgrimage from Monday 30th September to Saturday  
5th October.

**Medjugorje Pilgrimage:** Direct flights from Shannon to Mostar-Medjugorje, 28<sup>th</sup> August to 11<sup>st</sup> September. Spiritual Director: Fr. Martin Shanahan. €50 off for early bookings before 2<sup>nd</sup> February. Contact James on 085 738385 or 065 9059328.

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

**Fully Escorted Trip with Marian Pilgrimages-** April 17<sup>th</sup> -24<sup>th</sup>. Complete Spiritual Programme available and Scripture Teachings with Jim Browne. Direct Return flights-Dublin. 7 nights accommodation with freshly prepared breakfast and dinner each day to compliment the Irish palate. For further information contact Group Leader , Sharon O Leary 086 0523014

**Upcoming Training Workshops** - You can now view all of our training workshops as well as access our FREE 90 min Online Suicide Prevention Programme –START on our Bookwhen page. To access copy and paste the following link into your browser: <https://bookwhen.com/suicidepreventiontrainingmw>. Find out more about the #littletthings and about mental wellbeing on [www.yourmentalhealth.ie](http://www.yourmentalhealth.ie) or call the Samaritans on 116 123 for a listening ear and for 24/7 emotional support.



**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](mailto:agefriendlyclare@clarecoco.ie) or telephone (065) 6846240 or visit

[www.clarecoco.ie/services/community/age-friendly-programme/age-friendly-county/](http://www.clarecoco.ie/services/community/age-friendly-programme/age-friendly-county/)

Nomination forms must be submitted by **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024**.

**Ennis Blood Donation Clinic**

West County Hotel Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February

4.50 pm – 8.10 pm

Phone 1800 222 111 for appointment.

New Donors welcome The hospitals requirement for blood is now 6% higher than for the corresponding period last year. The Irish Blood Transfusion Service Board (IBTS) wishes to thank our Donors for their valuable support in 2023.



**Beef Plan Movement** is hosting a free meeting to discuss the recent 5 stars on various cattle breeds, we will have several Breed Societies and A.I. Rep and TD's attending. this meeting will be chaired by Joseph Woulfe.

West County Hotel Tuesdays the 6<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm

***Prayer for the Sick***

*Hear our prayer, Oh God,  
and heal the many illnesses  
that afflict us in body, mind and soul.  
Bring comfort to those who suffer.  
Bring consolation to those who despair.  
Bring strength to those of us  
who walk with the sick.  
Bring hope to all for whom the path  
to healing is long or may not end.  
Let us never forget your special care  
for the sick, that they may also know  
they are precious and loved. Amen.*

**Spring**



**In the lengthening of days,  
Snowdrops emerging,  
from winter's frozen ground.  
We see the Creator's hand.**

**In the sight of a tiny lamb  
joyfully bounding  
across hillside farm  
We see the Creator's hand.**

**Creator God,  
forgive our moments of ingratitude,  
the spiritual blindness  
that prevents us  
from appreciating the wonder  
that is this world,  
the endless cycle of nature,  
of life and death and rebirth.**

**Forgive us for taking without giving,  
reaping without sowing.  
Open our eyes to see,  
our lips to praise,  
our hands to share,  
and may our feet tread lightly  
on the road that, together, we travel.  
Amen.**

**Doora Barefield GAA Lotto**

Next weeks Jackpot: €

Venue: Clubhouse,

**Winner of €50**

Joe Clune, Barefield  
Gareth Noonan, USA  
Niall Keane, Knockanean  
Brian Dilleen, Doora

**Thank you for your support**



# Today's Scripture Readings

## Entrance Antiphon

O come, let us worship God  
and bow low before the God  
who made us,  
for he is the Lord our God

## 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 Job.

**Jb 7:1-4.6-7**

Job began to speak:

Is not man's life on earth nothing more than  
pressed service,  
his time no better than hired drudgery?  
Like the slave, sighing for the shade,  
or the workman with no thought  
but his wages,  
months of delusion I have assigned to me,  
nothing for my own but nights of grief.  
Lying in bed I wonder, "When will it be day?"  
Risen I think, "How slowly evening comes!"  
Restlessly I fret till twilight falls.  
Swifter than a weaver's shuttle my days  
have passed, and vanished,  
leaving no hope behind.  
Remember that my life is but a breath,  
and that my eyes will never again see joy.

## The word of the Lord

## Responsorial Psalm

**Praise the Lord  
who heals the broken-hearted.**

Praise the Lord for he is good;  
sing to our God for he is loving:  
to him our praise is due.

**R**

The Lord builds up Jerusalem  
and brings back Israel's exiles,  
he heals the broken-hearted,  
he binds up all their wounds.  
He fixes the number of the stars;  
he calls each one by its name.

**R**

Our Lord is great and almighty;  
his wisdom can never be measured.  
The Lord raises the lowly;  
he humbles the wicked to the dust.

**R**

## A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians. 1 Cor 9:16-19.22-23

I do not boast of preaching the gospel,  
since it is a duty which has been laid on  
me; I should be punished if I did not  
preach it! If I had chosen this work myself,  
I might have been paid for it, but as I have  
not, it is a responsibility which has been  
put into my hands. Do you know what my  
reward is? It is this: in my preaching, to be  
able to offer the Good News free, and not  
insist on the rights which the gospel gives  
me.

So though I am not a slave of any man I  
have made myself the slave of everyone  
so as to win as many as I could. For the  
weak I made myself weak. I made myself  
all things to all men in order to save some  
at any cost; and I still do this, for the sake  
of the gospel, to have a share in its  
blessing.

## The word of the Lord

## Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**I am the light of the world, says the  
Lord, anyone who follows me  
will have the light of life.**

**Alleluia!**

## A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark. Mk 1:29-39

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went  
with James and John straight to the house  
of Simon and Andrew. Now Simon's moth-  
er-in-law had gone to bed with fever, and  
they told him about her straightaway. He  
went to her, took her by the hand and  
helped her up. And the fever left her and  
she began to wait on them.

That evening, after sunset, they brought to  
him all who were sick and those who were  
possessed by devils. The whole town came  
crowding round the door, and he cured  
many who were suffering from diseases of  
one kind or another; he also cast out many  
devils, but he would not allow them to  
speak, because they knew who he was.  
In the morning, long before dawn, he got up  
and left the house, and went off to a lonely  
place and prayed there. Simon and his com-  
panions set out in search of him, and when  
they found him they said, 'Everybody is  
looking for you.' He answered, 'Let us go  
elsewhere, to the neighbouring country  
towns, so that I can preach there too,  
because that is why I came.' And he went all  
through Galilee, preaching in their  
synagogues and casting out devils.

## 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 accord-  
ance 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 king-  
dom 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

Let them thank the Lord for his mercy,  
his wonders for the children of men  
for he satisfies the thirsty soul,  
and the hungry he fills with good things.