

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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St. Patrick's Day (Year B) 17th March, 2024

St. Patrick Apostle of Ireland

In this month's Africa magazine John Cullen gives a very moving reflection on St. Patrick, "he was kidnapped he was trafficked, he was a migrant, he was a slave shepherd, he was held against his will and denied his freedom."

Patrick encounters physical hardship, hostility, criticism and rejection. John tells us St Patrick was a presence of inclusion, generosity, right relationship with creation as well as people, even those with different outlook, tradition, cultures values and religion.

St Patrick would be a welcome presence in the world today.

So much of the life of the apostle is shrouded in myth and legend. Details of his life are uncertain.

Patrick was born into a Roman - British family somewhere on the west coast of Britain in a village called Bannavem Taburaie. His father Calpornius, a government official was a Deacon, his grandfather, Potitus was a priest.

As a boy, belonging to the upper-class he was educated in the Roman fashion. As a Christian Patrick would have heard sacred scripture.

He introduced himself in the "Confessio" as a "sinner" "very uncultured and unlettered"

When he was sixteen he was captured by Irish pirates and taken as a slave to herd sheep in the woods and the mountains. Exposed to the elements night and day, he turned to God with all his heart and soul -

"God watched over me before I knew him.

***He kept me safe,
comforted me as a father would his son."***

Patrick's years of captivity brought about a spiritual conversion. After six years he finally escaped and made his way home. After discerning God's call he returned to the land of his captors to share the Gospel message with the people who held him captive.



Priest on Duty: 17th March, 2024
Contact Fr. Pat Malone - Tel. 065 6869098

Remembered in Masses this week

**CHURCH OF OUR LADY
ROSLEVAN**

16th Mar: John (Jock) O'Callaghan, Roslevan. MM.

23rd Mar: Michelle Dowling, Four Seasons Drive **1st Anniv.**
Pat & Anne Horan & Deceased Family,
Castletown, Doora.

ST. BRECAN'S CHURCH

17th Mar: Paddy & John Torpey, Kilfenora.
James & Delia Sheedy & Deceased Sheedy Family, Doora.
24th Mar: No intention booked.

**Church of the Immaculate
Conception, Barefield**

17th Mar: Teresa Loughnane, Coogan, Kildysart. MM.
24th Mar: Peggy & Seán Howard, Drumquin.
Millie Hanrahan, Stonepark.

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

Finance Development Fund

10th March:

Barefield: €155

Doora: €78

Church of Our Lady: €160

Development: €1,399

Míle buíochas

**ABBAY PASTORAL AREA
SERVICE OF RECONCILIATION**

Monday 25th March 7.30pm

Ennis Cathedral

All Welcome.

Priests available for individual confession.



REST IN PEACE

Remember in your prayers

Angela Reidy,
Gort na mBlath.

James (Jim) Tobin,
Knockaderry,
Tulla Rd., Ennis.



**Ministers of Eucharist
& Readers**



This week:

Cour Lady:

Doora:

Barefield:

BBurke/SGarvey

Patricia Hassett

NKennedy/LCorcoran

Seamus Hanrahan

Patricia Clune

Liam Murphy

Next week:

Cour Lady:

Doora:

Barefield:

BBurke/SGarvey

MFlanagan

MDowlig/CLeamy

Seamus Hanrahan

Mary Corry

MClohesy/NGalvin

Doora Sacristan Rota

17th Mar: Teresa Hallinan

24th Mar: Margaret Liddy

Church of Our Lady Basket Collector

16th & 23rd Mar: Dan Lenihan/Tom Heath

*Beannachtaí na Féile Pádraig
Oraibh go léir.*



St. Patrick's Breastplate (433AD)

Christ with me, Christ before me

Christ behind me, Christ in me

Christ beneath me, Christ above me

Christ on my right, Christ on my left

Christ when I lie down

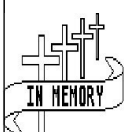
Christ when I sit down

Christ when I arise

**Christ in the heart of every man
who thinks of me**

**Christ in the mouth of everyone
who speaks of me**

**Christ in every eye that sees me
Christ in every ear that hears me.**



Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Bishop Fintan will lead the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes from Shannon Airport on Friday 21st June to Wednesday 26th June, costing €899 pps, including flight, airport transfers, airport & sanctuary taxes, full board with three meals. For more information & booking please contact Joe Walsh tours 01 2410800 or email joewalshstours.ie

There will be 24 places reserved for assisted pilgrims who will be cared for in the Accueil Notre Dame with medical and caring assistance, cost €750.

To reserve a place on this section please contact Fr. Tom Ryan, Pilgrimage Director 087 2349816



THE Alzheimer
SOCIETY OF IRELAND

The Clare Branch of the Alzheimer Society are delighted to have our Ennis Information Cafe returning on the third

Wednesday of each Month, in our Ennis Centre from 11.30-13.30.

Guest speaker on the 20th of March is Sharon Cahir, Solicitor, covering Planning ahead, including Enduring Power of Attorney. Join us for tea and a chat.

For more information contact Linda Murphy 0879152151, e-mail : linda.murphy@alzheimer.ie

St. Joseph's Doora Barefield - La na GClub - Monday April 1st

Lá na gClub is a national day that champions clubs and communities, the lifeblood of our Gaelic Games.

St. Josephs Doora Barefield welcome all members of the community to this day out to celebrate

and thank our incredible volunteers, while welcoming members and newcomers to the club for a fun-filled day out.

Events will kick off at 12pm with a mass, followed by the official opening of the astro pitch, a club walk on the newly refurbished footpath and fun activities for all ages.

The Annual Matt Talbot Novena will continue on Wednesday, 20th March at 7:00PM in Tulla Church with Mass and Benediction. Fr Martin Blake will reflect with us on the gift of prayer and offer us opportunities to deepen our sense of communion with God. St Joseph's Secondary School will participate with us on the evening.



Clare Roots Society Talk at Clare Education Centre, Kilrush Road, Ennis V95 F782 on Thursday 21st March next at 7.30pm.

Lecture: The life of Sir Cornelius Moloney (Tulla links) by Dermot Deering. All welcome.

Ennis Blood Donation Clinic at West County Hotel

Tuesday 19th & Thursday
20th March next. 16:50 - 20:10

Please 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.



St. Patrick of Ireland.



The man who would come to be known as Saint Patrick, apostle of Ireland, was born in Britain circa 386 A.D. Much of his life is not known to historians though some sources have listed his birth name as Maewyn Succat, with the name Patrick later taken on during his religious journeys or ordainment.

Saint Patrick is Ireland's patron saint, known for spreading Christianity throughout the country as a missionary during the 5th century. He was captured by pirates as a child and sent to Ireland. During his enslavement, he was called to Christianity and escaped his captors after six years. He returned to Ireland as a missionary, and in his teachings combined Irish pagan beliefs with Christian sacrament. Our patron saint is honoured globally each year on his feast day, March 17th.

*Hail, glorious St. Patrick,
dear saint of our isle,
On us thy poor children
bestow a sweet smile;
And now thou art high
in the mansions above,
On Erin's green valleys
look down in thy love.*



Lent is a time to renew
a commitment grown dull
perhaps by a life
more marked by routine
than by reflection.

Joan Chittister

Doora Barefield GAA Lotto

Next weeks Jackpot: €4,400

Venue: Clubhouse,

Winners of €50

Kevin Barry Clooney

Colin Reid Ballyalla

Joe Keary Gort Road

Francis McNamara Ballyogan

Thank you for your support



Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

**Go from your country and your kindred
and your father's house to the land
that I will show you.
I will make of you a great nation,
and I will bless you, and make your name
great, so that you will be a blessing.**

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 Fa-
ther, 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 glo-
ry of God the Father. Amen.

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

Jer 1:1, 4-9

The word of the Lord was addressed to me,
saying,

"Before I formed you in the womb
I knew you,
before you came to birth I consecrated
you; I have appointed you as a prophet to
the nations."

I said, 'Ah Lord God, look, I do not know
how to speak: I am a child!
But the Lord replied:

'Do not say, 'I am a child.'" Go now to
those to whom I send you and say whatever
I command you. Do not be afraid of them,
For I am with you to protect you - It is the
Lord who speaks!
Then the Lord put out his hand and touched
my mouth and said to me: 'There! I am put-
ting my words into your mouth.'

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm:

Response:

**Go out to the whole world:
Proclaim the Good News.**

O Praise the Lord, all you nations;
Acclaim him all you peoples. **R.**

Strong is his love for us;
He is faithful forever. **R.**

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans. **Rm 10:9-18**

If your lips confess that Jesus is Lord,
and if you believe in your heart that God
raised him from the dead, then you will
be saved. By believing from the heart
you are made righteous; by confessing
with your lips you are saved. When
scripture says: those who believe in him
will have no cause for shame, it makes
no distinction between the Jews and
Greek: all belong to the same Lord who
is rich enough, however many ask his
help, for everyone who calls on the
name of the Lord will be saved.
But they will not ask his help unless they
believe in him, they will not believe in
him unless they have heard of him, and
they will not hear of him unless they get
a preacher, and they will never have a
preacher unless one is sent, but as
scripture says: The footsteps of those
who bring good news are a welcome
sound. Not everyone, of course, listens
to the Good News. As Isaiah says: Lord,
how many believed what we
proclaimed? So faith comes from what
is preached, and what is preached
comes from the word of Christ.
Let me put the question: is it possible
that they did not hear? Indeed they did;
in the words of the psalm, their voice
has gone out through all the earth, and
their message to the ends of the world.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

**Glory to you, O Christ,
you are the word of God!
Go, make disciples of all nations,
says the Lord;**

**I am with you always, yes,
to the end of time. Glory to you, O
Christ, you are the word of God!**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark. **Mk 16:15-20**

Jesus showed himself to the Eleven,
and he said to them, 'Go out to the
whole world; proclaim the Good News to
all creation. He who believes and is

baptised will be saved; he who does not
believe will be condemned. These are the
signs that will be associated with
believers: in my name they will cast out
devils; they will have the gift of tongues;
they will pick up snakes in their hands,
and be unharmed should they drink
deadly poison; they will lay their hands on
the sick, who will recover.'

And so the Lord Jesus, after he had
spoken to them, was taken up into
heaven: there at the right hand of God, he
took his place, while they, going out,
preached everywhere, the Lord working
with them and confirming the word by the
signs that accompanied it.

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 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

**Many will come from the east and west
and sit down with Abraham,
Isaac and Jacob
at the feast in the kingdom of heaven,
says the Lord.**