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DOORA BAREFIELD PARISH

NEWSLETTER

27th April, 2025

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

The difficulty – for want of a better word – about Easter is that for many it's associated with holidays and as these now come to an end, the cycle of work and life continues as normal, schools re-open and we move into the season of exams, Holy Communions, Weddings and whatever.

But in church we will continue to celebrate the season of Easter, the Rising of Jesus and his appearances to those with whom he was intimately connected right up until the day of Pentecost in five weeks or thereabouts. This will continue while for so many the thoughts of celebrating Easter are being left behind, if not already gone.

Which is why reflecting on today's Gospel is so important – it is as dramatic and impacting as the Resurrection itself.

There are three clear elements in this Gospel of John.

- 1] Peace
- 2] Being Sent out on Mission and
- 3] Belief

And look how all of them are brought together.

Jesus breathes on them ... it recalls how God in the creation story of Genesis breathed life to make the first human. So now Jesus breathes new life into his people. His followers. It is post-Resurrection, post-Easter and they should be rejoicing.

Why are they afraid? Why do they have closed doors? All that Jesus had said would happen is happening, so they should be brave even before this.



Today, the Gospel speaks to you. Jesus breathes life into you, giving you peace – that's his peace we offer one another, not our own. That is what we must remember when offering the sign of peace at Mass. It's not your peace being offered; it is the great gift of Jesus himself and who are we to withhold it?

These words of Jesus inspired the faithful to live as we are told in the Acts of the Apostles. They inspired John to write the book of Revelation/Apocalypse, a book that is open to much interpretation but nevertheless is about the glory of God shining through all the negativity of life.

The breath of Jesus gives us courage to go out and be courageous in living as Christians – that's not about preaching from the rooftops or on the streets. It's just courage to live our daily lives, to receive our daily bread, as Christians.

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

www.doorabarefieldparish.ie/webcam

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Priest on Duty: 27th April, 2025

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Remembered in Masses this week

CHURCH OF OUR LADY

26th April: Aideen Deane, Hazelgrove, Roslevan. 1st Anniv
Kathleen Egan, Roslevan, Tulla Rd.
3rd May: No intention booked.

ST. BRECAN'S CHURCH

27th April: Norah Lynch, Kilbricken House, Doora.
John, Anne & Deceased Enright Family, Noughaval.
Mabel Bell, Ballyvonnaun.
4th May: Marion Keane, Newpark.

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, BAREFIELD

27th April: Mary T. Costello, Cappahard, Tulla Rd.
4th May: Raymond Greene, Ballymacuiggan. 1st Anniv.
PJ Flannery, Ballymaley.

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

Finance Development Fund

20th April, 2025

Barefield: €370

Doora: €288

Church of Our Lady: €109

Development : €1,296

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PRIESTS EASTER COLLECTION—THANK YOU

Thank you to all who contributed to the Priests Easter Collection last weekend. Your generosity is much appreciated. Donations can still be made by using the Easter envelope in your box. Envelopes also available in the porches of our three churches.

You can also donate on line on
www.doorabarefieldparish.ie/donate
using the Priests Collections tab
or by scanning the QR code hereunder.



REST IN PEACE

Remember in your prayers

Carol Barron (nee Lillis),
Derrymore, Tulla Rd. & Formerly Newpark.

Joe Stapleton,
Barefield.

Colin Robson Black,
Kilbricken, Doora

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



Ministers of Eucharist & Readers



This week:

COur Lady:

PMockler/MDilleen

Joe Dilleen

Doora:

Maria Considine

Michael Cusack

Barefield:

MHassett/LMurphy

David Culligan

Next week:

COur Lady:

TBohannon/DLeahy

Bridget Hoey

Doora:

Martha Neylon

Patricia Clune

Barefield:

MO'Loughlin/BGalvin

Tommy Duggan

Church of Our Lady Basket Collector

26th April & 3rd May: James Reynolds/Joan O'Connor

Doora Sacristan Rota

27th April Margaret Liddy

4th May: Mary Enright

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes



Lourdes - The June Diocesan Pilgrimage

is now fully booked. The remaining pilgrimages from Shannon this year are :
Franciscan Pilgrimage 24th—29th
September. Diocesan Autumn Pilgrimage
29th Sept—4th Oct It is advisable to book
early as seats are limited. Joe Walsh Tours
www.joewalshstours.ie

Email: info@joewalshstours.ie; Tel 01 2410800.



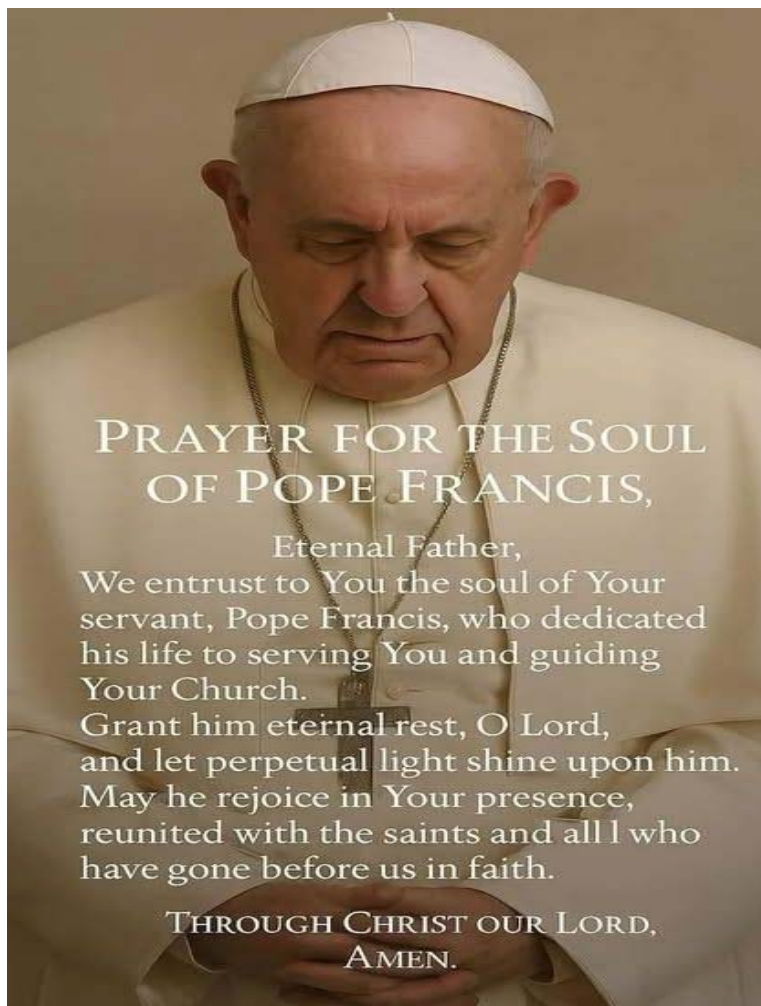
Divine Mercy Sunday this Sunday 2pm Cathedral of SS Seter & Paul, Ennis. Led by Fr. Ger Jones Confessions, Devotions, Mass & Benediction. All welcome.

Trócaire

Now that the Lenten Season has concluded we invite you to return your Trócaire box or offerings.

Your support for Trócaire is very much appreciated at these difficult times to respond to the cry of the poor in so many parts of the world

TRÓCAIRE
Working for a Just World



PRAYER FOR THE SOUL OF POPE FRANCIS,

Eternal Father,
We entrust to You the soul of Your
servant, Pope Francis, who dedicated
his life to serving You and guiding
Your Church.
Grant him eternal rest, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon him.
May he rejoice in Your presence,
reunited with the saints and all I who
have gone before us in faith.

THROUGH CHRIST OUR LORD,
AMEN.



First Friday Mass at Church of the
Immaculate Conception, Barefield on Friday
2nd May at 7pm.

If you or someone you know would like a First
Friday call please contact Fr. Tom or the
Parish Office with details.

Burren Outdoor Retreat.

Saturday 17th to Monday 19th May

Would you like to come on a guided journey through the Burren with
its limestone pavements, rare flora and ancient sacred sites? Let
the beauty of the amazing Burren landscape renew you in body and
soul. Information: Mary 087 970 1130. Booking: Des 085 1614951

TFI Local Link Limerick Clare have made a bus route
enhancement to Route C13 Ballinruan to Ennis via Crusheen,
Barefield and Ballyalla.

The new route will operate two days a week, Friday and Saturday
and will operate three return trips each day including an evening
return option.

This is a demand responsive bus route and could collect from your
door. To check eligibility please have your Eircode when contacting
the team.

For the full timetable visit www.locallinklc.ie or phone 065 6719101
and the team can post/email a copy.

Blessing of new Life A date for your diary.

The Abbey Pastoral Area in association with
Quin Pastoral Council invite all expectant
parents to a blessing for the gifts of new life
on Tuesday 13th May in St. Mary's Church Quin.



Prayer for Second Sunday of Easter



O Lord our God,
you have commanded the light
to shine out of darkness,
You have brought us again
into this time of prayer
to illuminate our hearts and minds
so that we might be brought closer to you
and to each other.

Accept now the gift of our hearts
and our desire to walk in your light.

May our words and actions
be ever more reflective
of your love for us and for the world.

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

May the Lord's face shine upon you
and be gracious to you.

May the Lord look with favor upon you
and give you peace.

In the name of Jesus, **Amen.**

Cantare Choir and Orchestra Faure Requiem 1893
Version Musical Director: Michael Hennessy Soloist:
Andrea Sheehan & Richard Hayes Guest Choir:
Harmony Bro. Piano: Irina Dernova Guest Ensemble:
The Burren Trio Ennis Cathedral April 25th @ 8pm.
Tickets available from Glór Box Office 065 6843103 or
at www.glor.ie In support of Clare Crusaders' Clinic

Ennis Campus Now Enrolling: Fully Funded Adult
Classes: Furniture upcycling courses commencing in
May at College of Further Education & Training, Ennis
Campus.

All welcome. To book a place or for more information
contact 065 6897654/086 0752014 or email
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Clarecare over 65's Club at Ennis Day Care Centre.
Now taking new members on Tuesdays, Thursdays and
Fridays. Offering a variety of activities including bingo,
exercise, music and singing. A hot home cooked meal,
fun, laughter, friendship and much more. Call 086
4183535/065-6828901 9AM-3:30pm for further details to
discuss bus runs .



Doora Barefield GAA Lotto

Next weeks Jackpot: €15,000

Venue: Clubhouse,

Winners of €50

Seamus Conlon, Gort Rd,

Kevin Kelly, Aughanteeroe,

Betty Moloney, Gaurus, Michelle Nolan

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT



Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

Receive the joy of your glory, giving thanks to God, who has called you into the heavenly kingdom, alleluia.

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 Acts of the Apostles Acts 5:12-16

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon.

No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily.

So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response: Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, for His love has no end.

Let the sons of Israel say:

'His love has no end'

Let the sons of Aaron say:

'His love has no end.

Let those who fear the Lord say:

'His love has no end.'

R

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.

This day was made by the Lord: we rejoice and are glad.

R

O Lord, grant us salvation;

O Lord grant success.

Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes.

We bless you from the house of the Lord; the Lord God is our light.

R

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse Apo 1:9-13.17-19

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lamp-stands and, surrounded by them, a figure like the Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle.

When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One. I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld.

Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.'

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said: 'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John Jn 20:19-31

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven

for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

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

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia