

DOORA BAREFIELD PARISH

NEWSLETTER

11th May, 2025

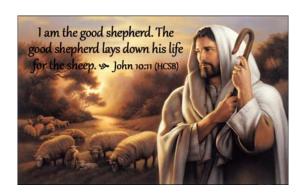
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY-DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

All the readings, in one way or another, point to being disciples of Jesus.

Paul and Barnabas are teaching in Greece. They find opposition from the leaders of the Jews. Paul's response is, that they were sent to preach to the Gentiles because the Jews, who were the first to hear God's Word, refused to accept and believe.

To Hear the Voice of the Good Shepherd



Once again they are thrown out of the town.

Paul and Barnabas shake the dust from their feet. They do not give up or allow the ill temper of these people, to keep them from doing God's Work. They move on to the next town.

The Father has given the disciples to Jesus and no one can take them away. He and the Father are one.

The Book of Revelations gives us a picture of how believers will be rewarded for their faith. To all who hear and follow the call of the Good Shepherd, the promise of life to the full is given here in this life and eternal life in the company of the Blessed.

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What a great calling each of us has! At the same time, we have the gift of free will to respond "yes" or "no." It is indeed a great gift.

Listen to these scripture readings with open hearts. Allow your heart to be filled with the Holy Spirit. How will you respond to Jesus' invitation to come and follow Him?

Do so now.



Mass Times

Church of Our Lady, Roslevan

Daily Mass Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri 9.30am Saturday Vigil Mass: 6pm

St. Brecan's Church, Doora

Sunday: 9.45am

Immaculate Conception, Barefield

Sunday 11.15am Tuesday 9.30am

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Priest on Duty: 11th May, 2025 Contact Fr. Joy - Tel. 065 6869098

Remembered in Masses this week CHURCH OF OUR LADY

10th May: Katherine Killeen, Knockanean. 1st Anniv.

Roibeard O'Ceallaigh, Roslevan.

17th May: Paddy & Betty Hennessy, Cappamore, Barefield.

ST. BRECAN'S CHURCH

11th May: Betty Cullinan, Knockanean, Tulla Rd.

18th May: No intention booked.

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, BAREFIELD

11th May: Patrick Conlon, Ballymacon.

Tess & Danny Malone, Templemaley.

18th May: Joe Stapleton, Barefield. **MM**.

Brendan Roseingrave, Knockaclara. John & Christina Galvin, Ballycarroll.

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

Finance Development Fund 4th May, 2025

Barefield: €263 Doora: €133 Church of Our Lady: €170 Development : €507

Míle buiochas



Congratulations and every blessing to the girls and boys of Knockanean National School who received the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation on Friday & Saturday this weekend.



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 at 8.30pm



Ministers of Eucharist & Readers



This week:

COur Lady:TBohannon/DLea\hyDan LenihanDoora:Bernard HallinanMary CorryBarefield:CLeamy/MRowlandNuala Kennedy

Next week:

Cour Lady:TBohannon/DLea\hyDan LenihanDoora:Mary BarryBernadette FitzpatrickBarefield:MWhyte/JDevittBernard Casey

Church of Our Lady Basket Collector 10th & 17th May: Paddy Perrill/Harold Herlihy

Doora Sacristan Rota

11th May: Margaret Hosty; 18th May: Cora Burke



May, the Month of Mary

Whatever you ask in the Rosary will be granted".

Rosary & Prayer at St. Joseph's Well, Gort Road daily at 6pm for the month of May. All welcome.

Bring flowers of the rarest bring blossoms the fairest, from garden and woodland and hillside and dale; our full hearts are swelling, our glad hearts are telling the praise of the loveliest flower of the vale!

O Mary! We crown thee with blossoms today,
Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May,
O Mary! We crown thee with blossoms today,
Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May.

St. Michael's Annual Holy Well Mass.

To celebrate the feast of St. Brecan, Mass will be concelebrated at St. Michael's Holy Well, Kilbreckan, Doora. We will follow in the footsteps of St. Brecan and in conjunction with the year of 'Pilgrims of Hope' instigated by his Holiness the late Pope Francis our celebration will be presided over by Bishop Fintan Monahan and Fr. Tom Fitzpatrick on Wednesday the 21st May at 6.30 p.m.

Pilgrims are invited to 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, Kilbreckan.

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

Rosary Rally at St. Joseph's Well Gort Rd., on Saturday 10th May at 4pm. This will be one of 570 Rosary Rallies taking place around the country on that date. All welcome.

Safeguarding.

Pope Francis reminded us that, 'in the Confiteor, we ask forgiveness not only for the wrong we have done, but also for the good we have failed to do'

In the past, the Catholic Church in Ireland failed in its duty to protect children and young people. Church policies have focused on establishing consistent standards to prevent abuse and assist the Church on its journey to learn from the mistakes of the past and ensure that children's safety is a core part of its mission.



Heavenly Father, We thank You for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in choosing Pope Leo as the new shepherd of Your Church. Grant him wisdom like Solomon, courage like Peter, and compassion like Christ. Strengthen him with Your grace as he leads the faithful in truth and love. May his words and actions reflect Your will, bringing unity, peace, and renewal to the Church and the world. Protect him from all harm, and bless him with health of body, clarity of mind, and purity of heart. Through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Peter, and all the saints, may Pope Leo be a faithful servant, a beacon of hope, and a true father to all. Amen.

Two Personal Assistants Required - Clarecastle

Support a vibrant woman in living independently and making the most of life! Day shifts – Tuesday to Friday, 11am–1pm Evening & overnight – Monday to Thursday, 5pm–8am

We're looking for someone who is kind, patient, and reliable A good communicator with empathy. Able to assist with planning and community involvement, A driver with full, clean licence & own transport (required); Open to receiving full training (provided)

Apply to: banneriindependantliving@gmail.com to request a full job description. (note email spelling)

Then send your CV and a cover letter stating why you're applying and what hours you're available.

On the weekend of the 6th & 7th June, **Milford Sunflower Days** are taking place. If anyone would like to volunteer a couple of hours of their time to sell sunflowers on those days, we would really appreciate the support. Any questions or queries, or if people would like to help on Sunflower Days, please contact the Fundraising Department on 061 485860.

For VOCATIONS to the PRIESTHOOD

God our Father, from eternity You appointed Your only begotten Son to be the High Priest of the human race. Pour forth, we beseech You, Your Holy Spirit upon our families, that vocations to the priesthood may be multiplied.

Lord Jesus, give us holy priests:

To offer up the sacrifice of the Mass;

To lead the little ones to You;

To strengthen the faith of believers;

To preach the Gospel to all peoples;

To bring forgiveness to sinners;

To feed souls the Bread of Life;

To comfort the suffering & dying, and

To spread Your Kingdom in our midst.

Mary, Mother of our High Priest, pray for us and obtain for us an increase of

holy priests. Amen,



safeTALK (suicide alertness for everyone); PUBLIC WORKSHOP; Boardroom, Clare County Council, New Road, Lifford, Ennis, V95DXP2 Thursday, 15 May 9:30am - 1:30pm

Clare County Council, New Road, Lifford, Ennis V95 DXP2 To register for this workshop just copy and paste this link into your browser. https://bookwhen.com/suicidepreventiontrainingmw/e/ev-s181-20250515093000

Pilgrimages In this year of Jubilee

The Diocese is organising the following pilgrimages:

Lourdes: 25th June (fully booked) 24th September (Franciscan Pilgrimage) 29th September (Autumn Pilgrimage)

Knock Shrine: Sunday 6th July

Rome Youth Pilgrimage 28th July - 4th August Lough Derg: Tuesday 5th to Thursday 7th August.

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, allleluia.

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 13:14.43-52

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the sabbath and took their seats.

When the meeting broke up, many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them. The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said:

I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.'

It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life be came believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside.

But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm Response:

We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come before him, singing for joy.

Know that he, the Lord, is God. He made us, we belong to him, We are his people, the sheep of his flock. **R**

Indeed, how good is the Lord, Eternal his merciful love. He is faithful from age to age.

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse Apo 7:9.14-17

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said to me, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the good shepherd, says the
Lord;

I know my own sheep and my own know me. Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Jn 10:27-30

Jesus said:

'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice; I know them and they follow me. I give them eternal life; they will never be lost and no one will ever steal them from me. The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone, and no one can steal from the Father.

The Father and I are one.'
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 spo ken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the for giveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Communion Antiphon

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.