

## FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In writing about this Gospel story, Thomas O'Loughlin says that it has become such a part of our overall culture, even with those who are unfamiliar with Christianity or have outright rejected it will use the term 'Good Samaritan'. And because of this, says O'Loughlin, "the story has become simply the message to give a hand to anyone you come across in a crisis. The story's very familiarity hides its punch."

Because of that familiarity we may glance over the story without wondering about the details. Why do the priest and the Levite pass by on the other side? Some might think it is because to touch the injured man would make them unfit for religious rituals – but Jesus tells us they are going away from Jerusalem so that can't be the reason. Is it because they are afraid that those who had robbed and beaten the man might still be around so they were playing it safe? And why does Jesus choose the Samaritan as the good person here – in the previous chapter of Luke's Gospel we are told that it was a Samaritan town who had refused to meet Jesus because he was on his way to Jerusalem.

Our focus zooms in on the actions of the Good Samaritan; generous, kind, helpful even though he was different from the others. Wouldn't we do the same for someone in need? 'Who is my neighbour?' asks the lawyer. The question is motivated by Jesus' drawing out the answer from him that we must love the Lord our God without restriction or boundaries and that must love our neighbour as ourselves.

So, who is the neighbour – the Samaritan or the injured man? It would seem that the answer is, both of them. The Samaritan is moved with compassion to help the injured man. His act of love reaches across the boundaries that society has put in place and helps him overcome the fear that is present in the others in the story. By accepting that act the injured man finds his new neighbour, fear no longer preventing them forming a new relationship.

We have the knowledge within us – Jesus praises the lawyer for his response; it is the actions that follow the knowledge make the difference as to whether we remain a stranger or become neighbour.



#### 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: 13th July, 2025 Contact Fr. Tom Ryan - Tel. 065 6869098

# Remembered in Masses this week

### **CHURCH OF OUR LADY**

12th July: No intention booked. 19th July: No intention booked.

### ST. BRECAN'S CHURCH

13th July: Marv Kearv, Dulick 20th July: Frances, Paddy & Pat Cullinan, Deerpark.

#### CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE **CONCEPTION, BAREFIELD**

13th July: Michéal 1st Anniv. & Bridie Talty, Gort Rd. Patsy & Jack McDonagh, Ballyalla. 20th July: Caitriona McMahon, Ballyalla. Michael, Eileen & Stephen Stack, Ballyalla.

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

**Finance Development Fund** 6th July Barefield: €139 Doora: €137 Church of Our Lady: €202 Development : €936 Míle buiochas

The annual Pioneer pilgrimage to Knock Shrine will take place on Sunday 20 July.

Prayers will be offered at Our Lady's Shrine for all who work in alcohol and drug treatment centres around Ireland. Contact Fr Robert McCabe via prayer@pioneers.ie for further details.





# **REST IN PEACE**

Remember in your prayers

Mary Whelan, :Larchill

### Bernard (Berney) Conroy, Tulla Road, Roslevan

Goodbyes are for those who love with their eyes. Because for those who love with their heart & soul there is no separation.



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Barefield:

Next week:

# **Ministers of Eucharist** & Readers



JOConnor/KMorris Patricia Hassett NKennedy/LCorcoran

COur Lady: JOConnor/KMorris Marie Flanagan Barefield: MHassett/LMurphy Seamus Hanrahan Kieran Bell David Culligan

**Deirdre Rafferty** 

Michael Clohessy

Seán Conlan

Church of Our Lady Basket Collector 12th July: Paddy Perrill/Harold Herlihy 19th July Dan Lenihan/Tom Heath

> Doora Sacristan Rota 13th July: Cora Burke 20th July: Mary Hallinan

### **Croagh Patrick - Reek Sunday**

Reek Sunday 27th July. Mass and Confessions on the summit from 8am to 2pm on the day. LOURDES: Franciscan Pilgrimage 24th—29th September. Diocesan Autumn Pilgrimage 29th September-4th October. Details on posters in Church or Parish Office.

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### Lough Derg Pilgrimage

On Sunday 1st June, the 3 day pilgrimage begins and continues until 15th August. Our Diocesan Pilgrimage will take place this `year from Tuesday 5th to Thursday 7th August. Booking can be made at Ennis Parish Office Tel. 0656824043

Prayer for Global Peace

Dear Heavenly Father, we come before you with heavy hearts, praying for peace to fill our world.

We ask for Your diving intervention to bring an end to conflicts, violence, and hatred.

May Your peace reign in the hearts of leaders

and individuals worldwide. We trust in Your power to heal and unite nations.



#### Free Adult Education Courses - September. 2025

**Now Enrolling: Free Adult** beginners Craft Class commencing 16<sup>th</sup> September 2<sup>nd</sup> 2025 at the Ennis College of Further Education and Training, Clonroad.

**Now Enrolling: Free Adult** IT and Smart Phone classes commencing 19<sup>th</sup> September at the Ennis College of Further Education and Training, Clonroad.

**Now Enrolling: Free Adult** water colour Painting and Drawing classes commencing September 2<sup>nd</sup> 2025 at the Ennis College of Further Education and Training, Clonroad.

No experience necessary. To book a place or for more information contact 065 6897654/086 0752014 or email <u>antoinette.houlihan@lcetb.ie</u>

**Cahercalla Community Care 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Family Fun Day**, taken place on the 26<sup>th</sup> of July between 2 and 5pm. Stall holders welcome free entry. Limited places contact 065 6824388



Thank you to all who donated to the **Franciscan Lourdes Invalid Fund** at recent Church Gate Collection in our Parish. The sum of €805.25 was collected.

Your generosity is much appreciated.

Blood Donation Clinic



Ennis West County Hotel on Monday 14th, Tuesday 15th, Wednesday 16th, Thursday 17th July 4:50pm – 8:10pm New and returning donors are very welcome. Phone 1800 222 111 for appointment. Your donation can make a life-saving difference. New and returning donors are very welcome.

#### Newsletter Deadline:

The cut-off time for submission of notices for inclusion in the newsletter is Tuesday at 4pm.

Notices can be emailed to **info@doorabarefieldparish.ie** We welcome notices from the community, schools, sporting organisations etc.



### Friendship



You have blessed us, O God, with the gift of friendship, the bonding of persons in a circle of love. We thank you for such a blessing: for friends who love us, who share our sorrows, who laugh with us in celebration, who bear our pain, who need us as we need them. who weep as we weep, who hold us when words fail, and who give us the freedom to be ourselves. Bless our friends with health, wholeness, life, and love. Amen.

Vienna Cobb Anderson

St. Joseph's Doora Barefield GAA Lotto Next weeks Jackpot: €5,200 Venue: Clubhouse, Winners of €50



Jimmy McNamara, Roslevan, Paul Dullaghan, Roslevan, Paul Kelleher, Hillcrest, Emma Coffey, Dublin

Thank you for your support

# Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon	As for me in my poverty and pain	Now a priest happened to be travelling dow
As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I	let your help, O God, lift me up.	the same road, but when he saw the man, h
shall be filled with the vision of your glory.	I will praise God's name with a song;	passed by on the other side.
5 5 5	I will glorify him with thanksgiving.	
		In the same way a Levite who came to th
PENITENTIAL RITE	The poor when they see it will be glad	place saw him, and passed by on the othe
		side. But a Samaritan traveller who cam
P. Have mercy on us, O Lord	and God-seeking hearts will revive;	
C. For we have sinned against you.	For the Lord listens to the needy	upon him was moved with compassion whe
P. Show us, O Lord, your mercy.	and does not spurn his servants in their chains.	he saw him. He went up and bandaged h
C. And grant us your salvation.	R.	wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. H
P. May almighty God have mercy on us,		then lifted him on to his own mount, carrie
forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting	For God will bring help to Zion	him to the inn and looked after him. Next day
life.	and rebuild the cities of Judah.	he took out two denarii and handed them t
C. Amen.	The sons of his servants shall inherit it;	the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said, "an
	those who love his name shall dwell there. <b>R</b> .	on my way back I will make good any extr
GLORIA		expense you have."
Glory to God in the highest, and on earth		Which of these three do you think means
peace to people of good will.	A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the	Which of these three, do you think, prove
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you,	Colossians Col 1:15-20	himself a neighbour to the man who fell int
we glorify you, we give you thanks for your		the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pit
great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, God,	Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God and	on him,' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go
almighty Father.	the first-born of all creation, for in him were	and do the same yourself".
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord	created all things in heaven and on earth:	
God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take	everything visible and everything invisible,	The Gospel of the Lord.
away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;	Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignties, Powers—	
5		PROFESSION OF FAITH
you take away the sins of the world, receive	all things were created through him and for him.	
our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of	Before anything was created, he existed, and he	
the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone	holds all things in unity.	I believe in one God, the Father almight
are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you	Now the Church is his body, he is its head. As he	maker of heaven and earth, of all thing
alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the	is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the	visible and invisible.
Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.	dead, so that he should be first in every way;	I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
Amen.	because God wanted all perfection to be found in	the Only Begotten Son of God,
	him and all things to be reconciled through him	born of the Father before all ages.
A reading from the book of Deuteronomy		God from God, Light from Light,
Dt 30:10-14		true God from true God, begotten, not made
Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of		consubstantial with the Father; through him a
the Lord your God, keeping those		things were made.
commandments and laws of his that are written		For us men and for our salvation he cam
in the Book of this Law, and you shall return to		down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit wa
the Lord your God with all your heart and soul.	Gospel Acclamation	incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and becam
'For this Law that I enjoin on you today is not	Alleluia, alleluia!	man.
beyond your strength or beyond your reach. It		For our sake he was crucified under Pontiu
is not in heaven, so that you need to wonder.		Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, an
"Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it		rose again on the third day In accordance
down to us, so that we may hear it and keep		with the Scriptures.
		He ascended into heaven and is seated at th
it?" Nor is it beyond the seas, so that you need		right hand of the Father. He will come again
to wonder, "Who will cross the seas for us and	5 5 1 5	
bring it back to us, so that we may hear it and		glory to judge the living and the dead and h
keep it?". No, the Word is very near to you, it is		kingdom will have no end.
in your mouth and in your heart for your		I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the give
observance'.	stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do	of life, who proceeds from the Father and th
	to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is	Son, who with the Father and the Son
The word of the Lord	written in the Law? What do you read there?' He	adored and glorified, who has spoken throug
	replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all	
Responsorial Psalm	your heart, with all your soul, with all your	and apostolic Church.
Response Seek the Lord, you who are poor,		I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of
And your hearts will revive.		sins and I look forward to the resurrection
niu youi licaits Will levive.	bour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said	the dead and the life of the world to come
	Jesus. 'do this and life is yours.'	
This is my prayer to you,	But the man was anxious to justify himself and	Amen.
my prayer for your favour.	said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus	
In your great love, answer me, O God,	replied, 'A man was once on his way down from	Communion Antiphon
with your help that never fails:	Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of	Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my
with your help that hever rails.		
Lord, answer, for your love is kind;	brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then	blood remains in me and Lin him
	made off, leaving him half dead.	blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.