



### Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### The Longest Day!!



Imagine living in a place with 24 hour sunlight!!! Well, why not head to Svalbard which is in Norway and is the world's northernmost permanent settlement enjoying nearly four months of continuous sunlight.

Here in Ireland we are feasting on our own length of day with the summer solstice these days. Next Tuesday June 23<sup>rd</sup> is St. John's Eve and in times past an evening in which bonfires were lit throughout the land to honour the summer solstice. I have memories of bonfires being lit on hilltops on St. John's Eve and the fascination as a child with the sparks that fly from the flames and the sight of other bonfires on far distant hills. In many ways there was a sense of belonging to a story much greater than myself and filling me with a sense of reassurance and hope.

It reminds me of the winter solstice celebrating the shortest day captured in the building of Newgrange and the reassurance of the light entering the chamber. We can hear an echo in our landscape these days as we celebrate the summer solstice with similar thoughts and prayers.

In today's readings we have words of reassurance. In our First Reading we have the Prophet Jeremiah sharing the words; 'The Lord is at my side'. In our Second Reading St. Paul wrote to the Christian Community in Rome the reassuring words; 'Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift'. And in our Gospel from Matthew we have the oft used words of Jesus; 'Do not be afraid'.

So, as we celebrate the Longest Day may the light of Christ guide our hearts and be reassured with his presence in our lives as the flame of hope in our world.

**'Do not be afraid'.**



#### Mass Times

##### Church of Our Lady, Roslevan

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

##### St. Breacan's Church, Doorra

Sunday: 9.45am

##### Immaculate Conception, Barefield

Sunday 11.15am  
Tuesday 9.30am

[www.doorabarefieldparish.ie/webcam](http://www.doorabarefieldparish.ie/webcam)

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# Priest on Duty 21st June, 2026

## Contact Fr. Jibin - Tel. 065 6869098

### Remembered in Masses this week

#### CHURCH OF OUR LADY

20th June: Mary Stewart, College Rd., Galway.  
 27th June: Margaret & John McTernan, Scariff.  
 Lily Roche, Larchill.

#### ST. BRECAN'S CHURCH, DOORA

21st June: Denis Hallinan, Ballyglass.  
 Kitty Reddan, Cappahard.  
 Elizabeth Mangan, Kilbricken.  
 28th June: Brigid O'Mahony, Monanoe, Doora.  
 Enright Family, Noughaval.  
 Michael & Mary Canny, Ballyglass.

#### CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, BAREFIELD

21st June: Frank Cahir, Larchill.  
 28th June: No intention booked.

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

#### Finance Development Fund

14th June, 2026

Barefield: €136

Doora: €84

Church of Our Lady: €129

Development: €1,049

**Mile buiochas**

#### PILGRIMAGES



**Knock Shrine:** Our Diocesan Pilgrimage will be on Sunday 5th July. To book a seat on the bus for Knock, leaving from St.

Joseph's on the day, contact Brigdale Coaches on 086 803 4092 or info@brigdalecoaches.com



**Lough Derg:** The season opens on 1st June to 13th August. Our Diocesan Pilgrimage will take place from Bank Holiday Monday 3rd August to Wednesday 5th August. A bus will operate for this pilgrimage - more details later.

**Lourdes:** Our Diocesan Autumn Pilgrimage will take place from Monday 28th September to Saturday 3rd October. To reserve a seat contact joewalshtours.ie



#### REST IN PEACE

Remember In your prayers



**Veronica Connell (née Lynch)**

Drumquin, Barefield & formerly Loughville, Ennis.

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



### Ministers of Eucharist & Readers



**This week:**

COur Lady:	MGardner/Susanne Giller	Ciaran Redmond
Doora:	Mary Barry	Michael Cusack
Barefield:	MHassett/EDronev	David Culligan

**Next week:**

COur Lady:	MGardner/Susanne Giller	Brigid Hoey
Doora:	Patricia Hassett	Patricia Clune
Barefield:	MO'Loughlin/BGalvin	Maeve O'Donnell

#### Church of Our Lady Basket Collector

20th & 27th June: Dan Lenihan & Tom Heath

#### Doora Sacristan Rota

21st June Margaret Hosty

28th June Cora Burke

## Happy Fathers' Day

*A father is neither an anchor  
 to hold us back nor a sail to take us there,  
 but a guiding light to show us the way.*



Heavenly Father, on this Father's Day,  
 we lift up in prayer all fathers — living and deceased —  
 who have been entrusted with the sacred gift of  
 fatherhood.

Lord, we thank You for the love, guidance,  
 and protection that fathers provide.

We praise You for their sacrifices, often unseen, and for  
 the steadfast way they reflect Your own fatherly care.  
 Bless all fathers with wisdom to lead their families in faith,  
 with courage to stand firm in truth,  
 and with patience to nurture their children  
 with gentleness and compassion.

Grant them the grace to be men of prayer,  
 to seek Your will in all things, and to be living witnesses  
 of Christ's love in their homes and communities.  
 and for those who carry the pain of loss.  
 May Your comfort and peace be with them.

May every father find joy in the embrace of his family,  
 strength in the support of his community,  
 and hope in the promise of eternal life with You.  
 We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## HEALING RETREAT



Led by Fr. Rozo Palic at St. Breacan's Church,  
Noughaval, Doora V95 D544 27 - 28th June.

**Saturday 27th June: 2pm - 7.30pm;**  
2pm Opening Prayer - Catechesis

*Break*

4pm Eucharistic Adoration, Meditation,  
Prayer for Inner Healing and Health.

5.30pm Holy Mass & Personal Blessings.

**Sunday 28th June: 2.30pm - 6.30pm**

2.30pm Retreat continues - Opening Prayer.

3pm Eucharistic Adoration, Meditation,  
Prayer for Inner Healing and Health.

*Break*

5.30pm Holy Mass & Personal Blessings.

**Info from Seamus 087 275 2578**

### Irish Sign Language Tour of Scattery Island

On Thursday June 25th, your OPW tour guide accompanied by an Irish Sign language interpreter will take you on an informative tour of Scattery Island. Ferry departing at 11am.

Bookings can be made at [www.scatteryislandtours.com](http://www.scatteryislandtours.com) or phone 085-2505514

### Clare Youth Service Summer Camp

Clare Youth Service Summer Camp will take place 13th-17th July, 1pm-4.30pm for children aged 7-11yrs at the Junction Youth and Community Building Contact Helena on 0858047580

### The Priority Institute Summer School

Man and Woman, He Created Them The Priority Institute one week online Summer School is reflective, informative and interactive and will run from 10 August. The course includes four recorded presentations and one online zoom discussion and is very flexible as it is delivered entirely online. Find out more [priorityinstitute.com](http://priorityinstitute.com)

### Free Bereavement Talk

Free Talk on Bereavement Tuesday 23rd June 7.30pm - 8pm at Milford Care Centre, Education Department, Milford, Limerick.

This evening is designed to give general information on grief and bereavement to bereaved people, their family and friends.

Members of the Bereavement Service will be present to answer specific questions, however counselling is not available on the evening.

For more info please contact Social Work Department Tel. 061 485800 or [socialwork@milfordcarecentre.ie](mailto:socialwork@milfordcarecentre.ie)

## Pattern for Living



Make up your mind to be happy.  
Learn to find pleasure in simple things.  
Make the best of your circumstances.

No one has everything  
and everyone has something  
intermingled with the gladness of life.

The trick is to make the laughter outweigh the tears.

Don't take yourself too seriously.  
Don't think that somehow you should be  
protected from misfortunes that befell others.

You can't please everybody.  
Don't let criticism hurt you.  
Don't let your neighbours set your standards.  
Be yourself.

Do things you enjoy doing,  
but stay out of debt.  
Don't borrow trouble.

Imaginary things are harder to bear  
than the actual ones.  
Since hate poisons the soul,  
do not cherish enmities or grudges.

Avoid people who make you unhappy.  
Have many interests.  
If you can't travel, read about new places.

Don't hold post-mortems.  
Don't spend your life brooding  
over sorrows or mistakes.

Don't be one who never gets over things.  
Do what you can for those less fortunate  
than yourself.



### Doora Barefield GAA Lotto

Next weeks Jackpot: €3,600-

Venue: Clubhouse.

Winners of €50

Denis Maher, Barefield,  
Denis Meehan, Ballymacahill,  
Michael Flanagan, Doora



**Thanks for your support**

# Today's Scripture Readings

## Entrance Antiphon

The Lord is the strength of his people,  
A saving refuge for the one  
he has anointed.

Save your people, Lord, and bless your  
heritage, and govern them forever.

## 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 prophet Jeremiah:

Jr 20:10-13

Jeremiah said:

I hear so many disparaging me,  
"Terror from every side!"

Denounce him! let us denounce him!

All those who used to be my friends  
watched for my downfall,

'Perhaps he will be seduced into error.'

Then we will master him

And take our revenge!

But the Lord is at my side, a mighty hero;  
My opponents will stumble, mastered,  
confounded by their failure!

Everlasting, unforgettable disgrace will be  
theirs.

But you, Lord of hosts, you who probe with  
justice,

Who scrutinise the loins and heart, let me  
see the vengeance you will take on them.

For I have committed my cause to you.

Sing to the Lord, praise the Lord,

For he has delivered the soul of the needy  
From the hands of evil men.

The word of the Lord

## Responsorial Psalm

Response:

In your great love, answer me, O God.

It is for you that I suffer taunts,  
That shame covers my face,  
That I have become a stranger to my  
brothers,

an alien to my own mother's sons.

I burn with zeal for your house

and taunts against your fall on me. R.

This is my prayer to you,  
my prayer for your favour.

In your great love, answer me, O God,

with your help that never fails:

Lord, answer, for your love is kind;

in your compassion, turn towards me. R.

The poor when they see it will be glad  
and God-seeking hearts will revive;  
for the Lord listens to the needy;  
and does not spurn his servants in their  
chains.

Let the heavens and the earth give him  
praise,

The sea and all it's living creatures. R.

## A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans

Rm 5:12-15

Sin entered the world through one man,  
and through sin death, and thus death has  
spread through the whole human race  
because everyone has sinned. Sin existed  
in the world long before the Law was  
given. There was no law and so no one  
could be accused on the sin of 'law-  
breaking', yet death reigned over all from  
Adam to Moses, even though their sin,  
unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of  
breaking a law.

Adam prefigured the One to come,  
but the gift itself considerably outweighed  
the fall. If it is certain that through one  
man's fall so many died, it is even more  
certain that divine grace, coming through  
the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so  
many as an abundant free gift.

## The word of the Lord

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Word was made flesh and lived  
among us;

To all who did accept him

He gave power to become children of  
God. Alleluia!

## A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Mt.10:26-33

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows:

Do not be afraid. For everything that is now  
covered will be uncovered, and everything  
now hidden will be made clear. What I say to  
you in the dark, tell in the daylight; what you  
hear in whisper, proclaim from the  
house-tops.

'Do not be afraid of those who kill the  
body but cannot kill the soul; fear him rather  
who can destroy both body and soul in hell.  
Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny?  
And yet not one falls to the ground without  
your Father knowing. Why, every hair on  
your head has been counted. So there is no  
need to be afraid; you are worth more than  
hundreds of sparrows.

'So if anyone declares himself for me  
in the presence of men, I will declare myself  
for him in the presence of my Father in  
heaven. But the one who disowns me in the  
presence of men, I will disown in the  
presence of my Father in heaven.'

## 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

The eyes of all look to you, Lord,  
And you give them their food in due  
season