DOORA BAREFIELD PARISH

NEWSLETTER

Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe Year A 22nd November, 2026t

YOUR MAJESTY



At Baptism the newly baptised is blessed on the crown of the head with Chrism and the prayer includes the line:

'*As Christ was anointed priest, prophet and king, so may you live as a member of his body, sharing everlasting life.*'

The same ritual is used today at the coronation of a monarch. In fact when Prince Charles was crowned King this part of the ceremony was so sacred that it took place behind a screen with only the words audible to the public. So all of us who are baptised are royalty!!! We share in the royal household that we call church.

Today, the last Sunday of the church's calendar we celebrate this royal image of Christ as King. But if you re-read the line above it calls the newly baptised priest, prophet and king. Our readings today give us an insight into what this means to each one of us baptised. Ezekiel in the first reading allows us reflect on being called a priest:

'I shall look after the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong'

St. Paul in his letter to the Corinthians directs us to the call of a prophet:

'So all will be brought to life'.

And then in the Gospel of Matthew we are shown what kingship means:

'I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine you did it to me.'

So we are all of the royal household of priest, prophet and king!!!

Tomorrow, November 23rd we celebrate the feast day of St. Columban the great missionary of the early Irish church. Columban was baptised into the royalty of priest, prophet and king whose life's story allows us to marvel on his legacy. It was out of this legacy that the Columban Missionaries began from Ireland during the 20th century to go to the ends of the earth in proclaiming the majesty of each human being.

Columban Missionaries, have transformed the lives of countless men and women in so many parts of our world that they truly reflect what being priest, prophet and king means today.

In conclusion, may the words from the baptism ceremony rest in our hearts this week:

'...so may you live as a member of his body, sharing everlasting life.'

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 22nd November, 2026
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Remembered in Masses this week:

Church of Our Lady, Roslevan
21st Nov: Pat Bennett, Gaurus. 1st Anniv.
Seán O'Donohue, Ballaghboy.
William Meaney & Meaney Family, Caherina, Barefield.
28th Nov: Baby Aaron O'Brien, Tulla.
Michael Fitzgibbon, Tulla Rd.

St. Brecan's Church, Doora
22nd Nov: No intention booked.
29th Nov: Joe & Nancy Byrnes, Finana.
Mae. Eddie & Martin Slattery, Moyriesk.

Church of the Immaculate Conception, Barefield
22nd Nov: Mary Casey Moorhead, Ashfield Park.
1st Anniv.
29th Nov: Caroline Walsh, Barefield.

Finance Development Fund
15th November
Barefield: €129 Doora: €139
Church of Our Lady: €230
Development: €977
Thank you for your support of our Parish



Please note there no Tuesday Morning Mass this week in Barefield Church.



During the month of November, Mass will be offered each day for all on our November Dead List of the Parish.

Envelopes containing list are now available in the porches of our Churches. Please return to the Church or Parish Office. Thank you.

Ministers of Eucharist & Readers

This week

COur Lady:	MDilleen/TBohannon	Jimmy O'Loughlin
Doora:	Patricia Hassett	Seán Conlan
Barefield:	JDevitt/MWhyte	Nuala Galvin

Next Week

COur Lady:	MDilleen/TBohannon	Olive Harvey
Doora:	Marie Flanagan	Declan Bell
Barefield:	LCorcoran/MKennedy	Carmel McGovern

Church of Our Lady Basket Collectors
21st & 28th Nov: Paddy Perrill/Harold Herlihy

Doora Sacristan Rota
22nd Nov: Seamus Enright
29th Nov. Teresa Hallinan

St. Joseph's GAA Club
Table Quiz for Gym Equipment.

A night of questions, prizes and a good cause
Friday 27th November at 8pm in the Grove.
€50 per team; 3-4 people per team
Prizes and Raffle. Winners announced on night.

Abbey Pastoral Area Advent Reconciliation Service
Monday 14th December 7.30pm Cathedral of SS Peter & Paul , Ennis.

Come and experience the freedom that comes with knowing that we are forgiven.

WELCOME - FÁILTE

A warm welcome to new arrivals to our parish. We wish you well and hope you settle into our parish.
Please contact Cora in our parish office if you would like to register. 065 6822225

We will shortly be issuing parish donation boxes for 2027. If you would like to receive one, kindly let us know.
You can also donate on line by using the Donate button on our parish website
www.doorabarefieldparish.ie.
If we can assist you in any way, please let us know.

Ennis Flower & Garden Club present John Paul Deehan, Derry for a Gala Demonstration in aid of AOIFA charity, Breast Cancer Ireland, on Tuesday November 24th at Treacys West County Hotel, Ennis. Demonstration commences at 8.15p €15 entry. Raffle, spot prizes and demonstrators arrangements raffled on the night. All welcome.
ennisflowerandgardenclub@gmail.com

Send Christmas Greetings
from your area of the Parish



Christmas Triduum Mass Bouquet Cards from Barefield, Doora and Roslevan with images of our churches now available in the porches of our three churches and also in Parish Office during office hours. €3 per Mass Bouquet.

Also Sympathy Cards, Mass Bouquet and Get Well Cards Novena and Individual Masses similarly available.

Caretaker Required - Barefield NS
Caretaker Required for Barefield National School
Full-time position, 40 hours per week,
For job specification and application process, email ger.ruane@barefieldns.com

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Doora Barefield Comhaltas
Seisíun Mór at Fahy Hall on Friday 27th November starting 7.30pm.
Big welcome and cupán tae for all.

Doora NS Parents Association Fundraiser



Raising funds for Wellbeing Activities at Dunnes Stores, Ennis on Sunday 20th December. Sign up for Volunteer Slots.
Please email
parentsassociation@doorans.com

The Story of the Porcupine



It was the coldest winter ever. Many animals died because of the cold.

The porcupines, realizing the situation, decided to group together to keep warm. This way they covered and protected themselves; but the quills of each one wounded their closest companions. After awhile, they decided to distance them selves one from the other and they began to die, alone and frozen.

So they had to make a choice: either accept the quills of their companions or disappear from the Earth. Wisely, they decided to go back to being together.

They learned to live with the little wounds caused by the close relationship with their companions in order to receive the warmth that came from the others. This way they were able to survive.

The Moral of the story:
The best relationship is not the one that brings together perfect people, but when each individual learns to live with the imperfections of others and can admire the other person's good qualities.

Come & See
The Legion of Mary invites you to our Prayer Meeting every Tuesday at 8pm in Ennis Parish Centre.

Doora Barefield GAA Lotto

Next weeks Jackpot €8,000
Winners of €50.00
John Garvey Dublin,
Mairead O'Loughlin, Toureen,
John Corry Tulla Rd,
Peadar O'Loughlin Toureen



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

Entrance Antiphon
How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, To receive power and divinity,
And wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

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 Ezekiel
Ezk 34:11-12.15-17

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest - it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, band age the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them. As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm
Response: The Lord is my shepherd;
There is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd;
There is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
Where he gives me repose. **R.**
Near restful waters he leads me,
To revive my drooping spirit.
He guides me along the right path;
He is true to his name. **R**

You have prepared a banquet for me
In the sigh of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
My cup is overflowing **R**

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me All the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell For ever and ever. **R**

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthian
1 Cor 15:20-26.28
Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessings on Him who comes
in the name of the Lord!
Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!
Alleluia!

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew. Mt 25:31-46
Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply,
Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'

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 Lord sits as King forever.
The Lord will bless his people with peace.