

# DOORA BAREFIELD PARISH NEWSLETTER

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



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**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) 4th August, 2024**

## BREAD OF ETERNAL LIFE

Appetite has always been a barometer of health. When someone is 'off their food' they are not feeling well. We worry about people who do not feel like eating. If we do not eat our strength diminishes. Just as food is important to us so also food was important to the Jewish people.

It is easy to suspect that the way to the hearts of the Jewish people was through their stomachs. After multiplying the bread, our Lord had an eager audience. But it was the kind of audience that's grabbing but not listening. Because of this Jesus gave the rebuff: 'have faith not in mana, nor in the loaves and fish, but have faith in me, the Bread of Life.'

As we listen to the words of Jesus this weekend we come to realise that food is necessary' but if we are to really live, something more is required. There is another kind of nourishment needed by the human heart.

Deep down within each of us there is a hunger to love and be loved, to be listened to and to be appreciated and above all there is a meaning and an eternal value to our lives.

As human beings we hunger for earthly food, as people made in the image and likeness of God we yearn for a spiritual food. Christ offers this spiritual food in the Eucharist, when he gives us the gift of himself.

The Eucharist is the bread of eternal life, the bread which brings us to eternal life and lasting happiness.

*I am  
the Bread  
of Life*

*John 6:35*



**Priest on Duty: 4th August, 2024**  
**Contact Fr. Tom Ryan - Tel. 065 6869098**

**Remembered in Masses this week**  
**CHURCH OF OUR LADY**  
**ROSLEVAN**

**3rd Aug:** Mary O' Connor, Beechlawn, Tulla Road  
Colm Barron, Newpark

**10th Aug:** Bernie Hoey, Newpark  
John and Patricia Leahy, Limerick

Sean Nihill MM & deceased members of the Nihill family

**ST. BRECAN'S CHURCH**

**4th Aug:** Pat and Maureen O' Dwyer

Mary O' Dwyer, Carahan, Clooney

**11th Aug:** No intention booked.

**Church of the Immaculate**  
**Conception, Barefield**

**4th Aug:** Meta Duggan, Ballymacuiggan.

Francie and Dinny McNamara, Drumquin  
Matt O' Connor, Barefield

**11th Aug:** Laura Kelly Rowland, Ballycarroll,  
her parents Tom and Ann Kelly, her father in law Paddy Rowland,  
Lock, Co Mayo who died recently  
the deceased members of the Rowland, Kelly and Harvey families.

John Buller, Ballymaley

Bridie Talty, Gort Road, Ennis  
and Michael Talty, Gort Road, Ennis (M.M)

**9.30am Mass each Tuesday in Barefield Church.**

**Novena Mass in Church of Our Lady each Monday 9.30am**

**Finance Development Fund**

**28th July**

Barefield: €227

Doora: €206

Church of Our Lady: €203

Development: €651

**Mile buiochas**

*God, help me love the life I live right now.*

*Show me the good things*

*I often overlook*

*and help me be content*

*with what I have.*

*Forgive me*

*when I compare myself to others,*

*forgive me for longing for things*

*outside of you and your kingdom.*

*Thank you for loving me*

*right where I am,*

*right as I am.*

*Help me keep my eyes on you.*

*In Jesus' Name, Amen.*

Nicki Koziarz

**Pray for:** Tom Monahan, Castlegar, Co Galway,  
father of Bishop Fintan



**Ministers of Eucharist**  
**& Readers**



**This week:**

Cour Lady:

MMcGuire/MBecker

Marie Moore

Doora:

Owen O'Mahony

Tom Meade

Barefield:

MDowling/CLeamy

Tommy Duggan

**Next week:**

Cour Lady:

MMcGuire/MBecker

Seamus Hanrahan

Doora:

Bernard Hallinan

Noreen O'Connor

Barefield:

JDevitt/MWhyte

Nuala Kennedy

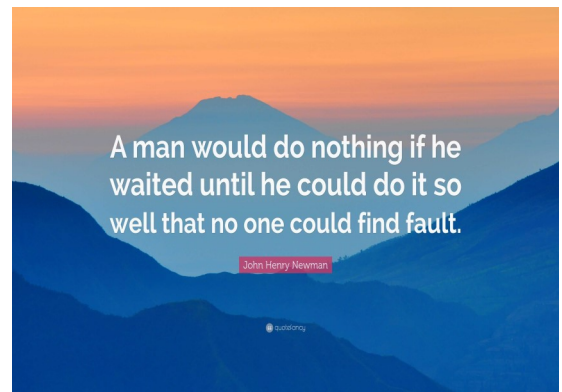
**Doora Sacristan Rota**

**4th Aug:** Margaret Liddy

**11th Aug:** Mary Enright

**Church of Our Lady Basket Collector**

**3rd & 10th August:** J Reynolds/JOConnor



Warning.....Young Peter returned from his summer holiday with his Grandparents, and with a shy smile, handed his Mam a small and rather crumpled paper bag. He insisted the gift had been paid for with his own pocket money and Granny confirmed that this was indeed the case. However, Mam suspected that Granny had helped with his choice for the bag contained a fridge magnet with these words:

*'Warning! The road to success  
is always under construction.'*

The fridge magnet was given pride of place as Mam considered the wisdom and truth of these words.

Very rarely does success come overnight—it has to be worked for, something which young Peter will need to find out for himself!

**'I would do nothing at all  
if I waited till I could do it so well that no one  
could find fault with it.'**

*John Henry Newman*

## Grow Mental Health



Peer support groups for anyone experiencing mental health issues with recovery through community.

Ennis meetings- Maria Assumpta Hall, Station Road. Monday at 8pm-10pm and New meeting opening Tuesday 2-4pm.

[www.grow.ie/](http://www.grow.ie/) Celia 086 1526966

*Masses for Feast of the  
Assumption of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary 15th August*  
Church of Our Lady, Roslevan - 9.30am

*Mass at St. Joseph's Well*  
Mass will be  
celebrated at St Joseph's Well  
on Thursday 15th August at 7pm.  
Celebrant: Fr. Martin Blake

**Sesquicentennial Celebration  
150 years of the Church of the Immaculate Conception Barefield**

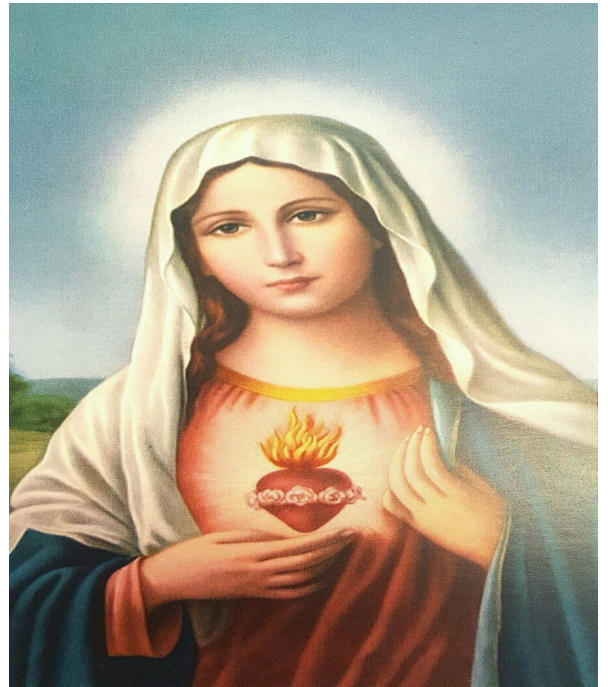
This year the Church of the Immaculate Conception Barefield is 150yrs old (1874 - 2024). The Pastoral Council plan a celebration on Sunday October 6th. We are now looking for any old photos or memorabilia which parishioners may have to include in our publication for the celebrations. If you have any old photos etc. you wish to have included please drop them into the parish office or the sacristy in Barefield after mass. Please put the year of the photo and your name on the back so that it can be returned to you at a later date.

### **Volunteer Ministries in the Killaloe Diocese**

The Diocese of Killaloe will be launching its second *Volunteer Ministry Training Programme* this autumn. In the coming weeks people already involved in these ministries will speak at Masses across the diocese. The hope is that their testimonies will help raise awareness to the variety of ministries which people can volunteer for in their parish and pastoral area. Bishop Fintan will officially launch this ministry training later this autumn. For now all we ask is that you contemplate sharing their gifts and talents for the good of the faith community that we call the Diocese of Killaloe. For more information visit our website at: <https://www.killaloe-diocese.ie/our-diocese/lay-ministries/>

## August, Month of Immaculate Heart of Mary

The month of August is traditionally dedicated to the Immaculate Heart. The physical heart of Mary is venerated because it is united to her person and is the seat of her love (especially for her divine Son), virtue, and inner life.



**Immaculate Heart of Mary,**  
full of goodness,  
show your love towards us.  
Let the flame of your heart,  
O Mary, descend on all people.

We love you immensely.  
Impress true love in our hearts  
so that we have a continuous  
desire for you.

O Mary, gentle and humble of heart,  
remember us when  
we are in sin. **Amen**

The **Immaculate Heart of Mary** is a devotion that reveals the inner life of Mary. It encompasses her joys, sorrows, virtues, and hidden perfections. Above all, it symbolizes her virginal love for God the Father, her maternal love for Jesus Christ, and her compassionate love for all humanity.

Traditionally depicted as a heart pierced with seven swords or wounds, it pays homage to the seven dolors of Mary.

Roses, usually red or white, are often wrapped around the heart. The devotion aims to unite humanity to God through Mary's heart, emphasizing consecration and reparation.

# Today's Scripture Readings

## Entrance Antiphon

**O God, come to my assistance;  
O Lord, make haste to help me!  
You are my rescuer, my help;  
O Lord, do not delay.**

## 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 Book of Exodus. Ex 16:2-4.12-15

The whole community of the sons of Israel  
began to complain against Moses and Aaron in  
the wilderness and said to them, 'Why did we  
not die at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt,  
when we were able to sit down to pans of meat  
and could eat bread to our hearts content! As it  
is, you have brought us to this wilderness to  
starve this whole company to death!'  
Then the Lord said to Moses, Now I will rain  
down bread for you from the heavens. Each day  
the people are to go out and gather the days  
portion; I propose to test them in this way to see  
whether they will follow my law or not.'  
'I have heard the complaints of the sons of  
Israel. Say this to them, "Between the two  
evenings you shall eat meat, and in the morning  
you shall have bread to your hearts content.  
Then you will learn that I, the Lord, am your  
God.'  
And so it came about: quails flew up in the  
evening, and they covered the camp; in the  
morning there was a coating of dew all round the  
camp. When the coating of dew lifted, there on  
the surface of the desert was a thing delicate,

powdery, as fine as hoarfrost on the ground.  
When they saw this,  
the people of Israel said to one another,  
'What is that?' not knowing what it was.  
'That' said Moses to them 'is the bread the  
Lord gives you to eat.'

## The word of the Lord

### Responsorial Psalm

#### Response:

**The lord gave them bread from heaven.**

The things we have heard and understood,  
the things our fathers have told us,  
we will tell to the next generation:  
the glories of the Lord and his might. **R.**

He commanded the clouds above  
and opened the gates of heaven.  
He rained down manna for their food,  
and gave them bread from heaven. **R.**

Mere men ate the bread of angels.  
He sent them abundance of food.  
He brought them to his holy land,  
to the mountain which his right hand had  
won. **R.**

## A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians. Eph 4:17.20-24

I want to urge you in the name of the Lord,  
not to go on living the aimless kind of life  
that pagans live. Now that is hardly the way  
you have learnt from Christ, unless you  
failed to hear him properly when you were  
taught what the truth is in Jesus. You must  
give up your old way of life; you must put  
aside your old self, which gets corrupted by  
following illusory desires. Your mind must  
be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that  
you can put on the new self that has been  
created in God's way, in the goodness and  
holiness of the truth.

## The word of the Lord

### Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*I am the Way, the Truth and the Life,*

*says the Lord;*

*No one can come to the Father except  
through me. Alleluia!*

## A reading from the holy Gospel according to John. Jn 6:24-35

When the people saw that neither Jesus nor  
his disciples were there, they got into boats  
and crossed to Capernaum to look for Je-  
sus. When they found him on the other side,  
they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come  
here?' Jesus answered: 'I tell you most  
solemnly, you are not looking for me  
because you have seen the signs but be-  
cause you had all the bread you wanted to  
eat. Do not work for food that cannot last,  
but work for food that endures to eternal life,

the kind of food the Son of Man is offering  
you, for in him the Father, God himself, has  
set his seal.'

Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we  
are to do the works that God wants?' Jesus  
gave them this answer, 'This is working for  
God: you must believe in the one he has  
sent.' So they said, 'What sign will you give to  
show us that we should believe in you? What  
work will you do? Our fathers had manna to  
eat in the desert; as scripture says: He gave  
them bread from heaven to eat.'

Jesus answered: 'I tell you most solemnly, it  
was not Moses who gave you bread from  
heaven, it is my Father who gives you the  
bread from heaven, the true bread; for  
the bread of God is that which comes down  
from heaven and gives life to the world.'  
'Sir,' they said 'give us that bread always.'  
Jesus answered: 'I am the bread of life.  
He who come to me will never be hungry;  
He who believe in me will never thirst.'

## 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

**I am the bread of life, says the Lord;  
Whoever comes to me will not hunger  
And whoever believes in me will not**