

# Easter Blessings to all

## ROSBERCON PARISH NEWSLETTER 13TH APRIL 2025

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### Passion/ Palm Sunday and Holy Week

This week all over the world Christians will be celebrating the great wonder of Christ's love for us. 'Greater love than this has no man than he who lays down his life for his friends'. This is the week Christ lived out the truth of these words.

### Holy Week Programme 2025

#### Rosbercon Church:

**Wednesday of Holy Week:** Mass 10.00 a.m.

**Holy Thursday:** 7.00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper.

**Good Friday:** 3.00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Passion

**Holy Saturday:** 8.00 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass.

**Easter Sunday:** 11.00 a.m.

#### Mullinarrigle Church:

**Easter Sunday:** 9.30 a.m. Mass of the Resurrection

#### Tullagher Church:

**Good Friday:** 8.00 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Passion

**Holy Saturday:** 6.00 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass

All Masses from Rosbercon Church will be streamed live through our webcam on [www.rosberconparish.ie](http://www.rosberconparish.ie)

#### **Anniversaries:**

Bartley Conway, Ballyknock

Niall Coughlan, Mullinavat & Shanbough

Mary & Jim Conway, Tinneranny

Nora Dwyer, Listerlin

Neddy Phelan, Pink Rock, Shanbogh

This weekend **Palms will be blessed** in the Churches of the parish before the weekend Masses.

**Good Friday** is a day of Fast and Abstinence.

We welcome into our Parish Community **Bridget Philomena Berry**, daughter of Miley and Mary, Marshmeadows, who was baptised in the Church of the Assumption, Rosbercon on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2025. Also, **Tadhg Aaron Helizon**, son of Alex and Emma, Shanbogh, who was baptised in the Church of the Assumption, Rosbercon on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2025.

**Lenten Reconciliation Services:** In preparation for Holy Week and Easter, Fr. Dan will hear Confessions after the weekend Masses on Sunday this weekend.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** takes place in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel every Wednesday morning from 10.30am to 12pm. All are welcome to attend.

**Rosbercon Parish Safeguarding Representatives** are Brid Vereker, Millbanks Close and Anne O' Sullivan, Ballykenna. If you have a Safeguarding concern, contact Brid or Anne.

#### Dates for you Diary:

#### **Dates of Cemetery Masses in Rosbercon Parish, 2025:**

Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> June: Ballyneale Cemetery

Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> June: Rosbercon New Cemetery

Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> June: Shanbogh Cemetery

Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> June: Listerlin Old Cemetery  
(Rosary-No Mass)

Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> July: Rosbercon Old Cemetery

Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> July: Mullinarrigle Cemetery

Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> August: St Moling's Well

#### **All Evening Masses at 7.30pm and Sunday Masses at 2.00pm**

Please note the change of time for evening services.

**A Message from Fr Dan: Holy Week 2025:** The celebration of Holy Week, the most sacred time in the Church's year, begins on Palm Sunday with the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. Jesus enters Jerusalem as its king. He is greeted with shouts of acclamation. However, Jesus entering Jerusalem as king leads to confrontation between Jesus and Jerusalem's rulers. The result is that Jesus will be arrested, humiliated and crucified.

We remember that the people involved in the suffering and death of Jesus were people like us. The suffering of Jesus is mirrored across the world today where people are being persecuted, tortured and killed most obviously in Ukraine and Gaza at this time. Nearer home when we hurt others, ignore their needs or discount their feelings, in our small way, we contribute to that suffering. There is suffering and pain in our lives too: sickness, loneliness, pain and feeling that we don't count.

Holy Week is an opportunity for us to change our lives as we celebrate the death and resurrection of Christ. We, along with our fellow human beings, are limited in so many ways. We all have our failures, our shortcomings and what was called 'sin' in the old terminology. We damage our lives, make a mess of nature and conduct our affairs without any reference to God.

On the Cross Jesus took the sins of the world upon himself. He absorbed all the suffering of the world and transformed it into the wonder and beauty of the Resurrection. In this way he showed how perfect his love for us was. His death on the cross gives us new life. We pray to experience that life and to try to imitate Christ's love and his trust. The saving mysteries that took place during Holy Week two thousand years ago, 'for us and for our salvation', convince us of Jesus' love for us. We respond to that love by continuing to persevere in faith and hope.

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**Collection of Parish Funds 30<sup>th</sup> March & 6<sup>th</sup> April 2025:**

**Offertory Collection:** €697.80  
**Weekly Envelopes:** €2,644.30  
**Parish Debt on 9<sup>th</sup> April 2025:** €13,353.60

**Mass Intentions for Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> April 2025:**

**Mullinarrigle:** Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> April at 9.30am:

Ann Ryan, Listerlin

**Reflection**

The quality of mercy is not strain'd;  
It is dropped as the gentle rain from heaven  
upon the place beneath.  
It is twice blessed;  
It blesseth him that gives and him that takes.  
'Tis mightiest in the mighty;  
It becomes the throned monarch better than his crown.  
It is enshrined in the hearts of kings.  
It is an attitude of God himself.  
And earthly power doth then show likest God's  
when mercy seasons justice.  
Therefore, though justice be thy plea, consider this-  
that in the course of justice  
none of us shall see salvation.  
We do pray for mercy,  
and the same prayer doth teach us all  
to render the seeds of mercy. *(William Shakespeare)*

**Wisdom:** The ultimate tragedy is not the brutality of bad people but the silence of good people.

**Humour:** "There is no place like home – after the other places close".

**Prayer in time of Anxiety:**

"Go forth in peace. Be still within yourself,  
May the winds be gentle upon your face,  
And your direction be straight and true  
as the flight of a bird. Walk in beauty and harmony  
With God and his people."

**The Presence of God**

"Yet sometimes when the sun comes through a gap,  
These men see God the Father in a tree.  
The Holy Spirit is the rising sap,  
And Christ will be the green leaves that will come  
At Easter from the sealed and guarded tomb".  
*Patrick Kavanagh, The Great Hunger*

**Seniors Alert Scheme: Tullogher-Rosbercon Community Alert**

would like to inform all interested parties that monitored alarms are available to any person over the age of 65. It can be worn as a pendant or around the wrist like a watch. It's free for the first year and we highly recommend it. Just contact us on the Community Alert number 083-1999585. We will be collecting our membership fee in May and when we call, we will hand out information leaflets on monitoring alarms and other crime prevention matters. Stay safe and please continue to report all suspicious activity.

**Safeguarding Training 2025:** There will be an 'Introduction to Safeguarding and a Refresher Session' held in Slieverue Parish Hall, Slieverue, on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April from 7.30-9.30pm. This session will be led by Ailish Higgins, Director of Safeguarding & DLP with the Diocese of Ossory. All Parish volunteers are invited to attend. Please contact our Safeguarding Reps Anne or Bríd to book your place if you wish to attend.

**Tullogher Rosbercon Community Development Group**

The Tullogher Rosbercon GAA, Tullogher Camogie & Tullogher Rosbercon LGFA invite you to a public meeting where all members of our community are welcome to attend. It will take place at The Clubhouse Tullogher on Wednesday the 16<sup>th</sup> of April at 8pm.

**GTR COMMUNITY GAMES - ATHLETICS & FIELD EVENTS**

**Venue:** Rosbercon Parish Grounds, Raheen, Rosbercon, Y34TK33.

**Date & Time:** 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2025 at 6.30 p.m.

**Eligibility:** Must reside in Glenmore, Tullogher or Rosbercon.

**Cost:** €2.00 per participant or €5.00 per participating family (cash only). Spectators - Free.

**List of events:**

Under 6 - Tiny Tots Fun Race  
Under 8 and over 6 – 60m and 80m  
Under 10 and over 8 – 100m and 200m  
Under 12 and over 10 – 100m, 200m, 600m / Long Jump / Ball Throw / Long Puck (boys only)  
Under 14 and over 12 – 100m, 200m, 800m / Long Jump / Shot Putt / Long Puck (girls only)  
Under 16 and over 14 – 100m, 200m, 1500m

**Birthdate ranges for Community Games:**

- Under 8 → Born August 1, 2017 – July 31, 2019
- Under 10 → Born August 1, 2015 – July 31, 2017
- Under 12 → Born August 1, 2013 – July 31, 2015
- Under 14 → Born August 1, 2011 – July 31, 2013
- Under 16 → Born August 1, 2009 – July 31, 2011

**Other Important Dates:**

- **County final:** 24<sup>th</sup> May 2025, Watershed, Kilkenny, R95HFH1
- **Regional final:** 9<sup>th</sup> August 2025, TUS Clonmel, E91D896
- **National final:** 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> August 2025, SETU Carlow, R93AYW

**New Ross Drama Workshop**

**Proudly Presents—A View From The Bridge By Arthur Miller**

Directed by Margaret Rossiter

**Venue:** St. Michaels Theatre

**Dates:** Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April / Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May / Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May

**Times:** 7:30 pm

**Cost:** €15

Can be booked on the theatre website or phone 051-421255.

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