

ROSBERCON PARISH NEWSLETTER, 18th July 2021

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Sixteenth Sunday of the Year

Every page of the Gospel shows that Jesus cared about people. He cares about us too. He makes us into one people, the people of God, the community of his disciples. Therefore, let us approach him in a spirit of trust and love.

Theme of the Weekend Readings: The Lord cares for us in our needs as a shepherd cares for his flock.

First Reading: Leaders who neglect their people are condemned. God will intervene on the people's behalf.

Second Reading: Christ ends hostilities and brings people together.

Gospel: Jesus encourages the Apostles to rest but he cares for the people.

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 24th July: 7.00pm Mass in Rosbercon
Sunday 25th July: 9.30am Mass in Mullinarrigle
11.00am Mass in Rosbercon

Weekday Masses:

Rosbercon:
Wednesday 21st July: 10.00am
Friday 23rd July: 10.00am

All Masses will be streamed live through our webcam on www.rosberconparish.ie

Recent Death:

Helen Kearney, Ballygunner

Anniversaries:

Tom Mullally, Ballyeden and his parents **Margaret** and **Edward Mullally**, Ballyeden
George Peters, Slievcorragh
Sean Rochford, Shanbogh
Margaret Malone, Listerlin
Kathleen Mackey, Listerlin

Many thanks to all who have contributed to the Summer Collection for the support of Fr Dan. Outstanding envelopes may be brought to the weekend Masses or dropped into the Parochial House. We thank our parishioners for their generosity and support.

As and from July 2021, please book all Baptisms, Anniversary Masses and other Church related ceremonies with Anne in the Parish Office, situated in the Parochial House. The phone number is 051-421515. The office hours are Monday to Thursday 10.30am to 2.30pm.

Volunteers needed: We are very grateful to our stewards and cleaners who look after the Parish Masses and keep us safe from Covid. At present the Masses in Listerlin and Tullogher and the Saturday evening Mass in Rosbercon are adequately provided for. Volunteers are needed to help with the 11.00am Mass on Sundays in Rosbercon. We thank all who already help with this Mass but we need more volunteers so that the same people are not called upon every Sunday. Many thanks!

The Cemetery Masses for Rosbercon Parish: In a recent letter to Parishes Bishop Nulty wrote: "These summer months are traditionally a time for Cemetery Masses. This is a wonderful tradition wherein we come together to honour the generations who have gone before us. It is something held dear to us as a people and for which many families come together. Sadly, as this pandemic continues, I am writing to ask that there be no celebrations of cemetery Masses in cemeteries over these summer months. The beautiful tradition that sees families gather, across generations and counties, is for now best avoided. For now, the safety of people is our most important concern".

A Message from Fr Dan: Making the best use of our time: Many people are overworked. While holding down a job, they are also rearing children and caring for a home. Many have a number of other commitments also. So, it is very important that we make the best use of the time available to us. Here are a few helpful suggestions:

- Work out what are the most important and urgent tasks you have to accomplish each day. Identify which ones must be done now and what can be left until later.
- Spend the morning on your most important tasks. Get them completed first.
- To remain fresh and focused take a short break between tasks. The human brain needs time to adjust before a new task is undertaken.
- Keep focused on the task in hand. Avoid answering texts or the phone or browsing on the web. Most calls can wait until you have completed the work in hand.
- Many of us are perfectionists. We put off tasks until we can do them perfectly. Because most of us have many tasks on our list, we need to concentrate on getting them done as best we can.

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- We need to keep our work programme straight and simple. This means not taking on new tasks or helping a colleague until we have some spare time.
- Many people multitask. They work on two or more projects at the same time. This often prevents important and urgent work getting completed on time because of lack of focus.
- Use a diary or online calendar to arrange meetings, organize events, set reminders or check your availability on a given date. Diaries and calendars have been used for years to manage time effectively.
- Experts tell us that we can live much happier and more productive lives by taking some time each day to sensibly organize our time.

From the Ennis Parish Newsletter

To make you Think: Take time to think, it is the source of power. Take time to read, it is the foundation of wisdom. Take time to play, it is the secret of staying young.

Take time to be quiet, it is the moment to seek God. Take time to be aware, it is the opportunity to help others. Take time to love and be loved, it is God's greatest gift.

Take time to laugh, it is the music of the soul. Take time to be friendly, it is the road to happiness. Take time to dream, it is what the future is made of. Take time to pray it is the greatest power on earth.

To make you Smile: You know you're getting old when you stoop down to tie your shoelaces, and wonder what else you can do when you're down there.

Just a Thought: This life is yours: 'Take the power to choose what you want to do and do it well. Take the power to love what you want in life and love it honestly. Take the power to walk in the forest and be part of nature. Take the power to control your own life, no one can do it for you. Take the power to make life happy'.

Rosbercon Parish Webcam and Website Fundraiser: We thank everyone who has donated so generously to the above Fundraiser. Between online and offline donations, we have received a total of €8,720.00 which is a wonderful testimony to peoples' generosity. We aim to close of our page on the 31st July. We need only another €280 to reach our target of €9,000.00. We would be so grateful to anyone who would be willing to donate during the month of July to enable us to reach our target!! To donate please click on this link: <https://www.gofundme.com/f/rosbercon-parish-webcam-and-website-fundraiser>

Mass Intentions for Sunday, 25th July 2021:

Listerlin 9.30 am:

Walter and Maura Ryan, Listerlin
Calvin Walsh, Smithstown
Kay Arthurs, Kilmainham and Glenpipe
John and Mary Grennan, Ballycurran

Collection of Parish Funds 3rd/4th & 10th/11th July 2021:

Offertory Collection: € 602.00
Weekly Envelopes: €1,231.00
Parish Debt on 14th July 2021: €47,981.16

Reflection

'Priest'

Uncle Tom was a priest. He was a practical man, but Latin was Greek to him.

He died just after his retirement. His heart gave way as he was digging out the site for his new retirement house!

He was more an electrician than a preacher, he began all his speeches by saying, 'I'm not one for speeches' and he was right about that.

He did not really have much to teach his parishioners, they had their own troubles

With their births, with their loves and deaths, and he did not have the words for such things.

But he learnt how to repair electric wires and he visited people in their home

And mended short circuits and deflective fuse boxes, he screwed lamps into place

And wherever he had been, there was Light.

Wisdom: "One act of thanksgiving when things go wrong with us is worth a thousand thanks when things are agreeable to our inclinations."

Humour: No labourer in the world is expected to work for room, board and love – except the house wife.

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Development Draw Winners June 2021

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| 1st Prize of €250 | Eddie O Sullivan, Ballyfoyle |
| 2nd Prize of €100 | Thomas Doherty, Ballyneale |
| 3rd Prize of €100 | Jack Duggan |
| €50 Prize Winners | Darragh Moore |
| | Keith Roche |
| | James Gill |
| | John and Margaret Barron |

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