

ROSBERCON PARISH NEWSLETTER, 15th August 2021

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The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

This weekend we celebrate the summer feast of Our Lady. The Assumption is the biggest feast of the summer. It reminds us of sunshine, holidays, the sea, the harvest and the races in Tramore. We pray this evening that Our Lady will watch over us during the remainder of the summer.

First Reading: The great sign from heaven for us is a pregnant woman who will give birth to the Son of God.

Second Reading: Christ will destroy death. He is the life, the light and the love of God.

Gospel: God's mercy reaches from age to age.

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 21st August: NO MASS

Sunday 22nd August: 9.30am Mass in Mullinarrigle
11.00am Mass in Rosbercon

Weekday Masses:

Rosbercon:

Wednesday 18th August: 10.00am

Friday 20th August: 10.00am

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

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.

Recent Deaths:

Joan Roche, Tullogher

Anniversaries:

Jack O Leary (Snr) , Waterford Road

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. The Community Employment Office will continue to be located at Raheen, Rosbercon. Phone 051-425093: Office Hours Monday to Thursday, 9.30am- 12.30pm E Mail: RosberconParish@gmail.com Website: www.rosberconparish.ie

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!

Rosbercon Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Brid Vereker, Millbanks Close and Anne O' Sullivan, Ballykenna. If you have a Safeguarding concern, contact Brid or Anne. Please note Safeguarding Statements are displayed in the porches of the Churches of the Parish.

A Message from Fr Dan: "I've started, so I'll finish": I'm probably no different from most people when I admit to being slow to begin a project, fearing the end result is going to be a shambles. We put off so many things until the long evenings of summer. On Sunday we celebrate the Assumption of Our Lady into heaven, the great summer feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is now time to tackle those projects that we hoped to complete this summer.

There is great wisdom in trusting that the completion of our tasks will come only after several attempts, false dawns, and, maybe more importantly than anything else, recognition that I may not be able to achieve my goal on my own. It is a most liberating experience to realise that one needs help. One of the happiest surprises in life is how often we discover people who are willing to work with us, share our load and accompany us on a particular journey.

The great success stories that make headlines are nearly always preceded by great struggle, effort, apparent failure and many moments of self-doubt. There are always 'nay sayers' who presume "it couldn't be done". Yet things get done and we are often captivated by what has been achieved.

For every one of us, there is a potential success story... tailor made for you and me, made to fit each personality. However, we may need to start and start again, but, often with the helping hand of another, the love and support of another, the task is finally completed. Here lies the truth: We need each other. Together we can achieve headline success stories! The important thing is to make a start.

(From the Ennis Parish Newsletter – Adapted)

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**Mass Intentions for the Saturday/Sunday, 21st /22nd
August 2021:**

Listerlin—Sun 22nd at 9.30 am
Annette Kavanagh, Tinahely and Smithstown
Jimmy Bookle, Mullinakil

Rosbercon—Sun 22nd at 11.00 am
Bridie Gaule and deceased family members, Slievecorrig
Jim Vereker (Jnr), Assumption Terrace

RE: Dates for Confirmation and First Holy Communion for 2021:

Fr Dan has received a letter from Bishop Denis Nulty stating: “I am asking parishes to abide by current official guidelines regarding dates for Confirmation and First Holy Communion for 2021” With this in mind Rosbercon Parish has no option but to cancel the Confirmation scheduled for the 4th September and the First Holy Communion scheduled for the 11th September, 2021

Bishop Nulty and Fr Dan acknowledge how difficult it is for parents/guardians to be asked to continually postpone the dates of the reception of these Sacraments. Bishop Nulty is hopeful that as the month of August progresses and as children return to school, current official guidelines will ease. I will be in touch with you again as soon as Sacramental celebrations are possible.

Bishop Nulty also recognises and appreciates all that parents/guardians have done and continue to do to ensure that safety of all as we journey through this pandemic.

The Last Laugh:

‘I made hay while the sun shone. My work sold. Now, if the harvest is over and the world cold, give me the bonus of laughter as I lose hold’ John Betjeman

Other Ways of Contributing to Rosbercon Parish:

If you choose to contribute to the Parish Bank Account please include your name or envelope number with your donation as a reference.

If you wish to make online donations to the parish, you can do so through the Donate Button on the Parish website. If you have any difficulty please contact Fr Dan.

Go raibh mile maith agat.

Parish Bank: Bank of Ireland, The Quay, New Ross, Co Wexford.

Account: Rosbercon Church Current Account No 1

IBAN: IE80 BOFI 9066 3811 4991 85

BIC: BOFIE2D

Just a Thought: A big cat saw a little cat chasing its tail and asked, “Why are you chasing your tail?” The kitten replied, “I have learned that the best thing for a cat is happiness, and that happiness is in my tail. So I chase my tail; and when I catch it I shall have happiness”. The old cat said, “I, too have paid attention to the problems of the universe. I, too, have judged that happiness is in my tail. But I notice that when I chase after it, it keeps running away from me, and when I go about my business, it just seems to come after me.”

To make you Smile: ‘Yesterday is history and tomorrow is mystery. But today is a gift: that’s why we call it the present!’.

Collection of Parish Funds 31st July/1st August & 7th/8th August 2021:

Offertory Collection: € 474.00
Weekly Envelopes: € 1,549.00
Parish Debt on 10th August 2021: €47,981.16

Reflection

The Gardener
Have I lived enough? Have I loved enough?
Have I considered Right Action enough?
Have I come to any conclusion?
Have I experienced happiness with sufficient happiness?
Have I endured loneliness with grace?

I say this, or perhaps I’m just thinking it.
Actually, I probably think too much.

Then I step out into the garden,
where the gardener who is said to be a simple
man, is tending his children, the roses.

-Mary Oliver

Wisdom: “Blessed is the man who is too busy to worry in the daytime and too sleepy to worry at night.”

Humour: The Scotsman sent an indignant letter to the editor of the local newspaper. He said that if any more stories about stingy Scotsmen appeared in the columns, he was going to stop borrowing the paper.

◆ **TULLOGHER ROSBERCON GAA CLUB**

Tullagher Rosbercon GAA Club - Parish Collection
Current Collection figure is €20,714 , Thanks to all who have contributed so far.

Our target is €50,000 , see <http://www.tullagher-rosbercon.kilkenny.gaa.ie> for details of how to contribute.

◆ **SLIMMING WORLD**

Slimming World - taste the freedom!!!

Join us every Wednesday afternoon/evening in Abbey Hall, Graiguenamanagh and Thursday mornings from 07:45 am—10:30 am in the Rosbercon Parish Hall, New Ross. For more information please contact Sue on 083-3341284

◆ **TULLOGHER ROSBERCON VINTAGE AND CLASSIC CLUB— ROAD RUN**

Tullagher Rosbercon Vintage and Classic Club are holding a road run on Sunday 29th August 2021 at 12:00 noon in the Rosbercon Parish Centre. The run will start at Rosbercon Parish Centre crossing the O’ Hanrahan Bridge and the Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy Bridge with a BBQ afterwards. In aid of the Rosbercon Community Centre. Enquiries: Jamie—087-6869137, Pierce—086-8164241, David—087-7382301, Fergus—087-646216

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