

ROSBERCON PARISH NEWSLETTER, 12th September 2021

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Twenty Fourth Sunday of the Year

In the Gospel we see that some people had no faith in Jesus. Others had a mistaken faith. But Peter showed true faith in Jesus when he declared 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.' If the faith is to be alive and influential in our lives we have to make the faith our own.

Theme of the Weekend Readings: Jesus asks us to follow him and this means taking up the cross.

First Reading: The prophet Isaiah notes the qualities of the Servant of God.

Second Reading: St James reminds us that faith and good works belong together.

Gospel: Jesus tells his disciples that he must suffer and die.

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 18th September: No Mass in Rosbercon

Sunday 19th September: 9:30 am Mass in Mullinarrigle
11:00 am Mass in Rosbercon

Weekday Masses:

Rosbercon:

Wednesday 15th September: No Mass in Rosbercon

Friday 17th September: 10:00 am

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

Anniversaries:

Richie and Dora Power, Ballybeg

Catherine Mernagh, Wind Mill Lane, New Ross

Bridget Roche, Glenpipe

Jim and Nora Cody, Smithstown

Edward and Johanna Lanigan, Ballalog

Joan Malone, Hoodsgrove

Andy Berry, Riverside, Waterford, Road—Months Mind

John Hayes, Fethard-On-Sea

James Waters, Shanbough

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 10:30 am to 2:30 pm. Parish Website: www.rosberconparish.ie

The Community Employment Office will continue to be located at Raheen, Rosbercon. Phone 051-425093: Office Hours Monday to Thursday, 9:30 am- 12:30 pm
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To make you Smile: 'God grant me the senility to forget the people I never liked anyway, the good fortune to run into the ones I did like, and the eyesight to tell the difference'.

Terry Wogan

A message from Fr Dan: A Prayer as our Schools Reopen: Loving God, we ask you to wrap our school family in a cloak of love and protection as our schools reopen at this time.

Bless our Boards of Management and Staff as they continue the work that they have already begun to ensure a welcoming and safe environment for all. Bless our parents as they again entrust their children to our schools. Help us to work together to help the children and young people to become the very best that they can be.

Above all, God of Love, we ask you to extend your hand of blessing on our pupils as they joyfully reunite with their friends and with the school community. May they continue to progress in their studies and always know that they are safe, secure and protected.

We know that much is different this year, but we are confident that through the efforts of so many dedicated people, God's love and care for each of us will never change. May we show the same love and care for one another in all we do and say this year. Amen.

September Prayer

I thank you, Lord, God Our Father,
for all that was good during the Summer –
for the love my family gave me,
for the company of friends,
and for the sunshine on warm days.

I thank you for the people who cared for me,
At those times when I felt sad and down at heart.
Now I ask for your help as I begin a new school year,
and I pray your blessing on every day in this school.

Show us how to work together for the good of all.
May we share our talents and abilities to the full
and grow in knowledge, wisdom and happiness.
During this school year,
let us become builders of your ways
and instruments of your peace
in our part of the world.

We ask this school year blessing,
Through Jesus Christ Our Lord, Amen

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**Mass Intentions for the Saturday/Sunday, 18th/19th
September 2021**

Mullinarrigle: Sunday 19th September at 9:30 am:
Stephen, Peggy and Annette Walsh, Smithstown
Larry Walsh, Kilmacow and Smithstown

Rosbercon: Sunday 19th September at 11:00 am:
Stephen and Josephine O'Connor, Rosbercon Hill
Paddy Grennan, Ballyreddy—Months Mind
Larry Doyle, Weatherstown, Glenmore—Months Mind

Collection of Parish Funds 28th/29th August & 4th/5th September 2021:

Offertory Collection: € 772.00
Weekly Envelopes: € 1,393.00
Parish Debt on 10th September 2021: € 47,981.16

St Mary's Cathedral, Kilkenny Restoration Fund 2021/2022: St Mary's Cathedral Restoration Fund Draw will now go ahead for a Seventh Year. Bishop Denis Nulty has asked me to thank the people of Rosbercon for their ongoing support. He is also requesting your support for **Year Seven of the Diocesan Draw**. There will be 12 monthly draws, September 2021-August 2022, on the last Wednesday of each month in the Chapter Room at St Mary's Cathedral. The annual prize fund is € 60,000 and the subscription is € 10.00 per month or € 120.00 per annum. The first draw takes place on Wednesday 29th September 2021. Tickets are available from Fr Dan or by phoning the Parochial House, Phone 051-421515: Monday- Thursday, 10:30 am -2:30 pm.

Dates for Confirmation and First Holy Communion

We very much welcome the new guidelines for religious services that the government have given. These guidelines came into effect on Monday 6th September, 2021. We can now proceed with 50% capacity for religious services. However, as we know Covid is still with us. For the foreseeable future we will have hand hygiene, sanitation, face masks and social distancing. Because of social distancing we can only use every second pew for the First Holy Communion and Confirmation ceremonies. Seating will be allocated nearer to the date of the ceremonies.

The following are the dates for the Holy Communion and Confirmation ceremonies.

Wednesday 22nd September at 7:30 pm

First Eucharist Enrolment Mass – Listerlin

Saturday 25th September at 11:00 am

First Eucharist Mass – Listerlin

Wednesday 29th September at 7:30 pm

First Eucharist Enrolment Mass – Rosbercon

Saturday 2nd October at 11:00 am

First Eucharist Mass – Rosbercon

Tuesday 5th October at 7:30 pm

Ceremony of Light – Rosbercon

Saturday 9th October at 11:00 am

Confirmation Ceremony – Rosbercon

Wednesday 13th October at 7:30 pm

Ceremony of Light – Shanbogh

Saturday 16th October at 11:00 am

Confirmation Ceremony – Shanbogh

Just a Thought: 'Draw close to God and he will draw close to you'. James 4:8. One of the gifts we have inherited from our Celtic ancestors is a vivid sense of the presence of God in our lives. Those of us who remember our parents and grandparents praying, know that they had a prayer to cover every chore of the day. They had little time for long formal prayers. Instead each action was done in partnership with God and became a prayer. 'My life is God's precious gift to me. I live enclosed in God and my God is enclosed in me'.

Wisdom: "Our eyes and ears are not subject to our will, but our tongues are."

Humour: Life would be a nobler thing if we avoided petty tittle-tattle about our neighbours, but the evenings would be terribly long.

◆ **ST. JOSEPH'S ATHLETIC CLUB—FIT 4 LIFE**

St. Joseph's Athletic Club relaunches Fit 4 Life. Newcomers of all fitness levels welcome. Meeting every Thursday from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Sports Grounds, Albatross, Rosbercon. It's a great way to get fit and meet new people.

◆ **ST. JOSEPH'S ATHLETIC CLUB**

St. Joseph's Athletic Club are holding the annual 5km Richie Young memorial race on Sunday 12th September at 12 noon at the Pink Rock, Glenmore. This is a family event, open to runners, walkers, families and buggies. All donations will be shared between The Irish Cancer Society and St. Josephs Athletic Club.

◆ **CHILDMINDER WANTED**

Childminder required in Shanbogh/Rosbercon area to care for two children, a pre-schooler and a toddler. Can be either in child's own home or carers home. Transport is essential. If interested please contact—087-1272833.

◆ **NUTTY SCIENTIST AFTERSCHOOL CLUB**

Nutty Scientists Wexford are back with their afterschool fun Science workshops. Classes will start in Rosbercon Parish Hall on Wednesday the 22nd of September for 5 consecutive Wednesdays. For booking information and prices please go to- <https://nuttyscientists.com/wexford/> Or contact our office on 087-9116117.

◆ **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

Rosbercon CE Scheme has a vacancy in St. Vincent De Paul Shop for a Retail position. DEASP Community Employment terms and conditions apply. Please phone 086-3642592 for further details.

◆ **IRISH DANCE CLASSES**

Mernagh Academy of Irish Dance will resume classes from Monday the 20th September. For further information please email— mernaghacademyofirishdance@gmail.com

◆ **SCHOOL SHIELD ATHLETIC RACE**

The annual School Shield Cross Country races take place on Friday 17th September at St. Joseph's AC training grounds in The Parish Centre, Rosbercon. Races for boys and girls U6 - U13. Participating schools are Listerlin NS, Ballyfacey NS, St. Canice's' NS, Shanbogh NS and Glenmore NS. Registration is from 5.30pm with races to commence at 6pm. Admission is €2.

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