

EASTER BLESSINGS TO ALL

ROSBERCON PARISH NEWSLETTER 17th April 2022

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Easter Sunday

Easter Day is the greatest day in the Church's calendar. Jesus has overcome death, not only for himself, but for all of us. The Easter joy that death had been conquered fills all the earth. Let us open our hearts to receive this great joy.

Theme of the Weekend Readings: On Easter morning we celebrate the core of our faith. Jesus who died is now risen.

First Reading: Saint Peter tells the story of the resurrection of Jesus and its consequences.

Second Reading: Saint Paul tells us that we, too, share the glory of Christ.

Gospel: Saint John's description of the resurrection of Jesus.

Weekend Masses

Saturday 23 rd April	7:00 pm Mass in Rosbercon
Sunday 24 th April	9:30 am Mass in Mullinarrigle 11:00 am Mass in Rosbercon

Weekday Masses

Rosbercon

Wednesday 20 th April	No Mass
Friday 22 nd April	10:00 am

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

Recent Deaths

Bartley Conway, Ballyknock, Tullogher

Anniversaries

Neddy and Jack Phelan, Shanbogh
Laurence Leacy, Ballyeden
Ellen Walsh, Ballyeden

We welcome into our Church Community **Mary Sarah Mullally**, daughter of Eddie and Claire nee Kelly, Kilkenny, who was baptised in Tullogher Church on Saturday 9th April 2022.

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

To make you Smile: Someone asked God whether he would see his loved ones in heaven. God replied, 'You'd better be prepared – not only your loved ones'. No one gives you a black eye: You have to fight for it!

A Message from Fr Dan: Easter 2022: In the Easter Season the Readings at the weekend Masses focus on the Mission of the followers of Jesus. At first, they had failed to grasp the meaning of Jesus' life, death and resurrection. Once the truth dawned on them, they felt duty bound to share their faith with others. When they find their courage, the Apostles proclaimed fearlessly that the Risen Jesus is Lord of the World.

For some their message was very welcome. For the Jewish authorities, however, their message was going too far, to such an extent that the Apostles needed to be silenced. The Apostles were punished, imprisoned, and warned not to speak 'in the name of Jesus'. Despite this, they preached with enthusiasm, urgency and daily, we are told, people are added to their number.

Where did they get this courage? The answer, it seems, comes from the many occasions Jesus appeared to them after his resurrection. His greeting was always, 'Peace be with you' and, on most occasions he shared food with them. Often, they came to recognize him in the very sharing of food, 'the breaking of bread'.

Like the Apostles, we need to find the courage to be people of faith and hope? Where are we to find the courage? We need to spend time with the Risen Jesus and allow him to reveal himself to us. In these Easter days – we allow some time and space each day for Jesus to reveal himself to us and to encourage us.

From the Ennis Parish Newsletter – Adapted.

Prayer for the Churches of our Parish: Lord, bless the churches of our parish; Rosbercon, Listerlin – Mullinarrigle and Tullogher. Grant that their doors may always be open. May they be places of care for the suffering and for the bereaved and places of mercy for the faltering Mary, God's mother, help of the half defeated. May our Churches be places that understand that: 'We must love and care for one another or perish'.

Greek Elegy written for Heraclitus on his death:

They told me, Heraclitus, they told me you were dead,
They brought me bitter news to hear and bitter tears to shed,
I wept as I remembered how often you and I
Had tired the sun with talking and sent him down the sky.
And now that you are lying, my dear old Carian guest,
A handful of grey ashes, long, long ago at rest,
Still are your pleasant voices, your nightingales awake;
For Death, he taketh all away but them he cannot take.

William Cory

Wisdom: "Our Lord has written the promise of the resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime."

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**ALL IRELAND VINTAGE SHOW OFFICIAL OPENING BY ANNA MAY MC HUGH
SUNDAY 24th APRIL**

Mass Intentions for the Saturday/Sunday 23rd/24th April 2022

Rosbercon: Sunday 24th April at 11:00 am

Micéal Kavanagh, New Ross and Inistioge—Months Mind

Trocaire Boxes and Envelopes: We hope to send your Trocaire contributions to the Diocesan Office in early May. If you have a Trócaire box in your house, we respectfully suggest that you might be so kind as to bring it to the church or to the Parochial House. Your generosity to the poorest of the poor is very much appreciated.

The Lent and Easter Offering Envelopes, are due to be returned on Easter Sunday. Fr Dan thanks you most sincerely for your continued generosity.

Easter Wishes: Fr Dan thanks all parishioners for the many wonderful ways that we journey together throughout the year. He thanks those who have continued to be so generous to our parish and to him over so many years. May we continue to pray for each other and support each other at this very challenging time.

The Effects of the Resurrection on the First Followers of Jesus

The men and women that went to the tomb and found the Risen Christ in the garden were amazed and reinvigorated. The two Disciples who returned from Emmaus could hardly contain their excitement. Peter and John, when they came back from the garden, like the others, began to spread this amazement. Our community is built on the hope that comes from the Risen Lord. Transcending all the messy sin, all the scandals, all the weak leadership and poor discipleship we need to discover and recognise the Risen Jesus and be amazed by him and like Peter spread this amazement.

Reflection: Death Overcome:

As long as the sun comes over the hills,
scatters the darkness, and fills the world with light:
as long as the fields get green again,
and the primroses and violets return;
as long as the trees fill up again with leaves,
there is hope for us and for the world.
So come, let us follow the footsteps of spring,
for the snow has melted,
and life is awakening from its sleep
and wanders through the hills and valleys.
Come, let us ascend the heights
and gaze upon the waving greenness of the plains below.
O Come, let us rejoice on this Easter Day,
for death has folded up its tent and gone away.

Humour: Years ago, we discovered the exact point, the dead centre of middle age. It occurs when you are too young to take up golf and too old to rush to the goal!

The Diocesan Designated Liaison Person is Ms Kathleen Sherry 085-8021633 dlp@ossory.ie and the Assistant Designated Liaison Person is Mr. Cathal Cullen 087-1000232 ddlp@ossory.ie or Ms. Rose Brophy 087-3314330 ddlp@ossory.ie Should you be concerned that a child / young person may be at risk of abuse within a Church-run organisation or group, you are encouraged to report your concern to Kathleen, Cathal or Rose.

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.

◆ **ALL IRELAND VINTAGE AND CLASSIC SHOW**

Tullagher Rosbercon Vintage Classic Club will hold the All Ireland Vintage Show on Sunday 24th April 2022 at 12 noon at Rosbercon Parish Centre, via New Ross Co. Kilkenny. **SPECIAL GUEST ON THE DAY ANNA MAY MC HUGH.** Welcoming all types of Vintage vehicles from bikes to lorries and everything in between. There is a large range of activities for a great family day out including; hurling skills, rugby skills, dog show, fun fair, children's races and many more. All welcome to a great day of family fun.

◆ **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

Rosbercon Community Employment Scheme has the following vacancies:

1. Lake Attendant in Oakland Fishing Lake, New Ross
 2. Caretaker/Groundskeeper in the New Houghton Hospital
- For further information please contact: 051-425093 or 086-3642592. Email: rosberconparish@gmail.com. **Department of Social Protection, Community Employment Terms and Conditions Apply.** See (<http://www.welfare.ie>)

◆ **NUTTY SCIENTIST'S POP-UP DAY**

We are in New Ross with the first of our Saturday Science Clubs on Saturday April the 23rd. Running from 10-12 noon, we are in Tullagher Rosbercon Parish Hall and Sports Centre, Rosbercon, New Ross. The children will have an amazing time as we have exciting experiments to run and fun to be had. Admission is € 20.00 and suitable for 5-12 year olds and children of all abilities.

◆ **LA LECHE LEAGUE KILKENNY**

For breast-feeding information or support contact a local Leader
Monica 086—8555159
Linda 087—6474132
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Find us on Facebook—www.lalecheleagueireland.com

◆ **SHEEP DOG PUPS FOR SALE**

Sheep dog pups for sale, perfect for a family pet or a working dog. For more information please contact 087-6699275.

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