

## ROSBERCON PARISH NEWSLETTER 19th June 2022

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### The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Corpus Christi

We are the people of God journeying in faith towards the Promised Land of eternal life. We need food for our journey. We receive this food in the Eucharist. Christ nourishes us with the Word of God and the Bread of Eternal Life.

#### Theme of the Weekend Readings

To-day we celebrate our Creator's kindness in giving us the body of Christ to be our spiritual food.

#### First Reading

Thousands of years before the birth of Christ, Melchizedek, King and Priest, blesses Abraham using bread and wine.

#### Second Reading

Paul tells us the story of what happened at the Last Supper.

#### Gospel

Jesus feeds five thousand with five loaves and two fishes.

#### Weekend Masses

Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	7:00 pm Mass in Rosbercon
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	9:30 am Mass in Mullinarrigle 11:00 am Mass in Rosbercon

#### Weekday Masses

##### Rosbercon:

Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	10:00 am Mass
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	10:00 am Mass

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

#### Recent Deaths

Richard Murphy, Robinstown House, Glenmore  
William (Willie) Walsh, Busherstown, Glenmore

#### Anniversaries

Andy Kane, Shanbogh—Months Mind  
Tom O'Neill, Glenmore  
Jack O'Leary, Waterford Road  
Paddy and Winnie Barron, Tinneranny  
Joe Holden, Shanbogh

We welcome into our Christian Community **Áine Carol Bradley**, daughter of Brian and Helena, Rosbercon, who was baptised in Rosbercon Church on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** takes place in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel every Wednesday morning after Mass from 10:30 am to 12:00 pm. We need to establish a rota of people to cover the adoration period. If you would like to pray in the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, please add your name on the list on the table at the back of the Church. We need a minimum of two people per half hour.

**A Message from Fr Dan: This weekend, we celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi, the Body of Christ:** When Jesus was about to leave the world to return to his Father, he assured his followers, and us, that he would never leave us. Jesus instituted the Eucharist so that he would continue to be with us. He asked that we **Do this in Memory of Me:** In this way, Jesus is present at every Mass. He is very close to us.

At Mass, Jesus gives himself to us, as he did during his lifetime. We remember the story how Jesus, at the end of a tiring day, would not send his followers away hungry He fed his people with five barley loaves and two fish. Jesus took the loaves and the fish, blessed, broke and gave them to the apostles to distribute to the people. In the hands of the apostles the bread kept on increasing.

The lesson that Jesus wants us to learn is that he constantly nourishes us with the bread of Life in the Mass. In today's gospel story, Jesus repeats his act of giving when on Holy Thursday night, He took the bread, blessed, broke it and gave it to his disciples saying "This is my body which is given for you. Do this in memory of me". These words mean that at each Mass, Jesus changes the bread and wine into his Body and Blood.

Every Sunday we gather as a community to celebrate Mass together. We listen to God's word; we pray and are nourished in Holy Communion. Jesus wants us to continue living the Eucharist in our daily lives. In our giving to others, in our respect, through acts of kindness, generosity, and goodness we live the love of Jesus. It is our presence at Mass that strengthens us to prayer and to serve. That is what Jesus asks us to do when we are sent forth at the end of Mass.

*From the Ennis Parish Newsletter, (Adapted)*

**Reflection:** Pierre, in Tolstoy's novel, War and Peace, discovered in his wife's love for him what was really good about himself.

He had already experienced in an earlier marriage how fickle his own love was. After seven years of married life, Pierre had a firm and joyful consciousness that he was not a bad fellow, and he felt this because he saw himself reflected in his wife.

In himself he felt all the good and bad mingled together, and obscuring one another. But in his wife, he saw reflected only what was really good; everything not quite good was left out. And this result was reached not by way of logical reflection, but by way of a mysterious, direct reflection of himself.

**Corpus Christi, Body of Christ:** Throughout Ireland there are countless Mass Rocks where people gathered to celebrate Eucharist and to break the bread of life for each other. Those places are holy ground made sacred by the faith and love of the people who gathered there. We remember our ancestors for the love they had for the Eucharistic presence of Jesus among them.

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**Mass Intentions for the Saturday/Sunday,  
25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> June 2022**

**Rosbercon:** Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June at 11:00 am  
Cathy Doran, Maiden Lane, New Ross—Months Mind

**Collection of Parish Funds 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> June & 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> June 2022**

**Offertory Collection** € 760.92  
**Weekly Envelopes** € 1,555.00  
**Parish Debt on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2022** € 35,101.23

**Dates for your Diary**

**Cemetery Masses in Rosbercon Parish, 2022**

Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Ballyneale Cemetery
Tuesday, 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Shanbogh Cemetery
Friday, 1 <sup>st</sup> July	Rosbercon New Cemetery
Tuesday, 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Listerlin Old Cemetery
Friday, 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Mullinarrigle Cemetery
Tuesday, 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Rosbercon Old Cemetery.

**All Masses at 8:00 pm**

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> August St. Moling's Well

**This Mass will be celebrated at 2:00 pm**

**Reflection: Eucharist Communion Reflection**

Lord Jesus, you came to live among us.  
Bless our hands with giving and receiving.  
Lord Jesus, you offered yourself to set us free;  
Help us to speak the language of love.

Lord Jesus, you change the bread and wine;  
Help us to change our attitudes towards others.  
Lord Jesus, you fulfilled the ancient promises.  
Help us to journey to the Promised Land.

Lord Jesus, you gave the gift of your life;  
Bless the small sacrifices we make each day.  
Lord Jesus, you give us food for nourishment each day;  
Bless our generosity and our sharing with others.

Lord Jesus, you call us to communion; Bless our relationships  
with compassion and forgiveness. Lord Jesus, you stayed with us  
across the years; Stay with us now to the end of our journey.

During the coming weeks we will pray for the welfare of all  
**students taking examinations.** May the Holy Spirit be their  
strength and guide their minds at this time.

**Wisdom:** "A friend is one to whom one may pour out all the  
contents of one's heart, chaff and grain together, knowing that  
the gentlest of hands will take and sift it, keep what is worth  
keeping and with a breath of kindness blow the rest away."

**Humour:** A Primary school teacher was walking around  
observing her classroom of children while they were drawing  
pictures. As she got to one girl who was working diligently, she  
asked her what was she drawing. The girl replied "I'm drawing  
God." The teacher paused and said, "but no one knows what  
God looks like." Without looking up from her drawing, the girl  
replied, "they will in a minute!"

**To make you Smile:** When Peter Sellers survived his first heart  
attack in 1979, Spike Milligan sent him a telegram: 'You swine. I  
had you insured'.

**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.

◆ **KNOCK SHRINE TRIP**

There will be a one day coach trip to Knock Shrine on Sunday July 3<sup>rd</sup> for the Ferns Diocesan Day Pick-up Points Wellingtonbridge, Ramsgrange, Campile, and New Ross. Fare € 65.00 including two meals. For more information please contact Nicholas Bowe on 087 - 9418661.

◆ **ST. JOSEPH'S ATHLETIC CLUB**

St. Joseph's Athletic Club will hold its annual Pink Rock 10km road race and 5km family run / walk on Sunday 17th July at the Pink Rock, Glenmore. This event is open to walkers and runners. Registration is available on-line at [www.myrunresults.com](http://www.myrunresults.com) or you can register at the Parish Hall, Rosbercon on the morning of the race. 10km walkers start at 11:00 am and runners at 11:30 am. 5km run / walk starts at 11:40 am. Post-race refreshments and medal presentations will take place in Rosbercon Parish Hall.

◆ **PARISH GROUND IMPROVEMENTS**

Rosbercon Parish Hall and Sports Centre recently upgraded the security fencing of the premises. This project was part funded by Kilkenny County Council LCD. The Hall committee are most gracious for the continued support of Kilkenny County Council.

◆ **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

Rosbercon Community Employment Scheme has the following vacancies:

1. Environmental Worker in Rosbercon Parish
2. Office Administrator in New Ross Parish Office

For further information please contact: 051-425093 or 086-3642592. Email: [rosberconparish@gmail.com](mailto:rosberconparish@gmail.com). **Department of Social Protection, Community Employment Terms and Conditions Apply.** See (<http://www.welfare.ie>)

◆ **LA LECHE LEAGUE—KILKENNY**

For breast-feeding information or support contact a local Leader: Monica 086—8555159 Linda 087—6474132, Kay 087—2747876. Joy 086—1073609. Find us on Facebook: LA Leche League Kilkenny. [www.lalecheleagueireland.com](http://www.lalecheleagueireland.com)

◆ **KILKENNY AGE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY GATHERINGS**

Kilkenny Age Friendly Older Peoples Council would like to hear from you. "It is important that we hear the voice of all older people throughout the county and to ensure that we are doing so we are holding a number of Age Friendly Community Gatherings where we invite older people to come along and let us know what they see as the issues that are relevant and important to them". These Community Gatherings will be run at the following locations and dates:

Mullinavat Community Centre: 30th June 2022  
Graiguenamanagh Hub July 2022 tbc

Please come along and bring some friends. It will start with registration Tea/Coffee at 9:15 am and finishing at 12:30/1:00 pm. For more information please text 087-6210589 or email [agefriendlycounty@gmail.com](mailto:agefriendlycounty@gmail.com) .

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