## **ROSBERCON PARISH NEWSLETTER 3rd July 2022**

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### **Fourteenth Sunday of the Year**

Jesus sent out his disciples to bring peace and healing to the people and to announce the good news of salvation. He calls on us to share that peace with one another. We turn to the Lord at Mass and ask for the gift of peace.

Theme of the Weekend Readings: This weekend we are challenged to have a Christian attitude to the world and to share our peace with others.

**First Reading:** The prophet Isaiah gives a message of peace and hope to his followers.

**Second Reading:** Saint Paul tells us that the Cross is one thing all Christians share.

**Gospel:** Our Lord sends out seventy two disciples to be messengers of peace to the towns and villages.

### **Weekend Masses:**

Saturday 9th July: 7.00pm Mass in Rosbercon Sunday 10th July: 9.30am Mass in Mullinarrigle 11.00am Mass in Rosbercon

### Weekday Masses:

Rosbercon:

Wednesday 6th July: 10am Mass Friday 8th July: 10am Mass

**Recent Deaths** 

Regina Moore, School House Rd., Rosbercon

**Months Mind** 

Pat Fortune, Shanbogh

**Anniversaries** 

Michéal Hanrahan, Tullogher Peggy Long, Ballyvaria Margaret Martin, New Ross

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

The **Cemetery Masses** continue this week with Mass in Listerlin Old Cemetery on Tuesday 5th July and Mullinarrigle Cemetery on Friday 8th July. Both Masses at 8.00pm. It is important that we remember our dead and pray for them. As the prayers for a Christian funeral state, 'we believe that all the ties of friendship and affection which knit us together throughout our lives do not unravel with death'.

We welcome into our Christian Community Andrew James Mulready, son of Andrew and Phyl, Tinneranny, who was baptised in the Church of Assumption, Rosbercon on Saturday 25th June 2022.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel every Wednesday morning from 10.30am to 12pm. All are welcome to attend.

Many thanks to all who contributed to **the Annual Summer Envelope** Collection for the support of Fr Dan. Outstanding envelopes should be handed in at Mass or to the Parochial House.

**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: Our Father who Art in Heaven: The Our Father is the first prayer that many of us learned. It is still many people's favourite prayer. It was given to us by Jesus and it is the prayer that Jesus prayed many times in his own lifetime. The Our Father was given to the Apostles in the midst of Jesus' final journey to Jerusalem where he suffered and died. The Our Father is a very complex prayer and contains depths of spirituality. In the first part of the prayer, we ask that God's Kingdom would come, that his will be done and that he would give us our daily bread.

A very important teaching of the Our Father is that God will "Forgive us our Trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us." Just as there can be no life without food, there can be no life without forgiveness. Without forgiveness our world would be a place of hatred, revenge and retaliation. It would be a world full of fear and dread. Without forgiveness we cannot let go of hurt and resentment. With forgiveness we return to the same one road and we continue to travel together. The world of forgiveness is a world where there is a renewal of life, peace and hope. When we forgive others who have wronged us, we are open to God's mercy towards us and we become channels of God's mercy towards others. We give to others the gift of forgiveness that God has given us.

The Our Father continues, 'Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil' When we pray not to be led into temptation, we ask God not to put us to the test. A test in the bible is a trial to see how faithful we are. God tested Abraham when he asked him to sacrifice his only son, Isaac. In this part of the Our Father we are asking God to save us from moments in life when we are tempted to choose something other than our loyalty to God. We conclude the Our Father by asking God to deliver us from evil. The Our Father is the most beautiful prayer that we have. Every time we pray the Our Father, we reflect on how we all belong to

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the one human family.

# A Positive Live-Streaming Legacy', by Fr Bernard Cotter in the Irish Catholic.

'I predict that live-streamed Masses will be part of parish life from now on. They will keep housebound people in touch with church life. Up to this, many would not have had the necessary equipment. But now, (almost) everyone has.

I predict that many funerals will continue to be live-streamed in the future, as a means of including family members who are abroad and unable to travel home in time. This may well be one of the positive legacies of these strange times'.

**To make you Smile:** "Saints are all right in heaven, but they are hell on earth". Cardinal Cushing, Archbishop of Boston.

"Beds are the most dangerous places in the world. Eighty percent of people die in a bed". Mark Twain (1835-1910).

Reflection: Blessed are we in times of darkness.

At times in life, we will all experience confusion and darkness.

This should not over worry us.

It is in our emptiness that we are filled.

It is in our confusions that we are guided.

It is in our weakness that we are strengthened.

It is in our failings that we are forgiven.

It is in our hunger that we are fed.

We believe that God has a homeland prepared for us

where all our hungers will be satisfied

and all our hopes will be fulfilled.

So, we travel onwards with joy in our hearts and a spring in our

steps.

And with a great desire to live life to the full.

The Annual Collection for the Holy Father (Peter's pence) will be taken up this weekend, Saturday/Sunday 2nd/3rd July 2022. The proceeds from this collection are sent to Rome and used by the Pope to support special charitable projects in developing countries as well as defraying expenses of the work of the Church. Please be generous!

### **Dates for your Diary:**

Cemetery Masses in Rosbercon Parish, 2022:
Tuesday, 5th July:
Listerlin Old Cemetery
Friday, 8th July:
Mullinarrigle Cemetery

Tuesday, 12th July: Rosbercon Old Cemetery.

All Masses at 8.00 pm

Sunday 21st August: St Moling's Well

This Mass will be celebrated at 2.00 pm

Collection of Parish Funds 18th/19th June & 25th/26th June

2022:

Offertory Collection: € 855.68 Weekly Envelopes: €1441.70 Parish Debt on 29th June 2022: €31,727.42

Thoughts for Summer: Remember to spend some time with your loved ones. Remember to say a kind word to someone who looks up to you. Remember to give a warm hug to the people closest to you. Remember to say 'I love you' to your partner and loved ones. Remember to hold hands and cherish the moment. Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take but by the moments that take our breath away!

Reflection: A Prayer at the end of the day.

Grant, O Lord, that each evening before we go to sleep, we may reflect on the day that is coming to a close.

We ask that every unkind word or deed may be forgiven and every uncharitable thought set right.

We pray that our good and generous deeds may go down into the depths of our being.

May each day of our lives be blessed and sanctified.

Lord, make us ready for our final birth into eternity.

May we look forward with love and hope to meeting Christ our Saviour and

May we look forward with love and hope to meeting God our Heavenly Father.

**Wisdom:** Don't start every day with a broken piece of yesterday. Every day is a fresh start. Every day is a new beginning. Every morning you wake up is the first day of your new life.

**Humour**: Lord, give me coffee to change the things I can change and wine to accept the things I can't!

### ♦ Pink Rock10KM

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 <a href="https://www.myrunresults.com">www.myrunresults.com</a> 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.

### ♦ Athletics Summer Camp

St Josephs Athletic Club are delighted to launch this year's summer camp. The summer camps are open to all boys and girls aged 6 to 15. The camps will run from 10am to 2pm Monday to Friday at the Albatross Parish Centre. The camp will take place from July 25th to July 29th.

Registration form: https://forms.gle/V5FBa7an8bHiZnu79 Payment Link: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/363539104247 Any queries at all, please don't hesitate to contact Eoin 086-3521900 or Pat 086-6043079.

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