

ROSBERCON PARISH NEWSLETTER 2nd October 2022

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Twenty Seventh Sunday of the Year

To want to serve comes naturally to each one of us. The most important quality to bring to our service is love. We pray for a spirit of love as we come to celebrate Mass together.

Theme of the Weekend Readings

Our faith in God sustains us. We pray that our presence at Mass this weekend will be of lasting benefit in our lives.

First Reading

The Old Testament Prophet calls to God for help and God asks that he be faithful.

Second Reading

The wonder of God's spirit in our lives.

Gospel

The Gospel reminds us of the importance of having faith.

Weekend Masses

Saturday 8th October 7:00 pm in Rosbercon
Sunday 9th October 9:30 am Mass in Mullinarrigle
11:00 am Mass in Rosbercon

Weekday Masses

Rosbercon

Wednesday 5th October 10:00 am Mass
Friday 7th October 10:00 am Mass

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

Anniversaries

Bridget Croke, Brownsford
Bernadette Phelan, Tullogher
James Power, Glenballyvalley
Anastasia Malone, Cooleen, Tullogher
Eily Murphy, Ballyreddy
Christy Fitzgerald, Coolnihaw
Jim and Nora Cody, Smithstown
Kathleen Doran, Assumption Terrace, Rosbercon
David (Daithi) Brindley, Ballybeg and School House Road
Tommy and Mickie Doolan, Curraghmore

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel every Wednesday morning from 10:30 am to 12:00 pm. All are welcome to attend.

Taizé Prayer services resumed on Friday 16th September at 8:00 pm in Good Counsel College Chapel, New Ross, and will continue every 1st and 3rd Friday of the month thereafter. All are warmly invited. For more information visit Taizé Wexford on Facebook or www.taize.fr

Saint Gerard's Prayer for Mothers: Saint Gerard, you were especially sensitive the needs of mothers. Pray for mothers and children! Ask Our Lord to keep all families safe, and bring all mothers joy in life. Amen.

A Message from Fr. Dan: Saint John Henry Newman: On Saturday 9th October the Church will celebrate the feast of Cardinal Newman. John Henry Newman was born in London in on the 21st February, 1801. He was the eldest of six children, three boys and three girls. His father was a banker and Newman was educated locally before entering Trinity College, Oxford. A brilliant student, he delighted in reading his Bible and, following a period in Oxford, he was ordained an Anglican priest.

At that time in Newman's life, while he saw the Catholic Church as being in error, he worried about the lax nature of the Anglican faith. Newman wrote extensively aiming to make the Church of England more disciplined and sounder in its doctrine. He had a huge influence, but this did not prevent him being much criticised. In 1842, Newman withdrew from public life to live a monastic life, writing and reflecting until, three years later, he was received into the Catholic Church. Ordained a priest in 1846, he wrote many articles, books, poems and prayers. Most of us will be familiar with his hymn, 'Lead Kindly Light', and prayer, 'O Lord, support us all day long until the shadows lengthen, the evening comes, the fever of life is over and our work is done. Then in your mercy grant us a safe lodging, a holy rest and peace at the last.'

At the invitation of the Irish Bishops, Newman came to Dublin to found the Catholic University of Ireland which later evolved into University College Dublin. Newman was deeply interested, and involved, in education. His writings defended Church doctrine and social justice. He was a man of deep faith and spirituality and his writings reflect the depth of his spiritual life. In 1879 Pope Leo XIII honoured England by making John Henry Newman a Cardinal. He died in 1890 and on the 13th October 2019, Pope Francis presided at his Canonization. A number of Cardinal Newman's sayings have entered our daily speech: 'To live is to change, and to be perfect is to have changed often'. 'Growth is the only evidence of life' and 'I shall be an angel of peace, a preacher of truth in my own place, while not intending it, if I do but keep his commandments'.

From the Ennis Parish Newsletter (Adapted)

God is with us: Liam Lawton composed the beautiful hymn 'The Clouds' Veil' which we hear sung regularly by the Parish Choirs. The words of the opening verse can be of great help to us, reassuring us that God is with us especially in times of fear and anxiety: *Even though the rain hides the stars, Even though the mist swirls the hills, Even when the dark clouds veil the sky, God is by my side. Even when the sun shall fall in sleep, Even when at dawn the sky shall weep, Even in the night when storms shall rise, You are by my side. God is by my side. God is by my side.*

Wisdom: "Our prayer should be for blessings in general, for God knows best what is good for us."

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Mass Intentions for Saturday/Sunday

8th/9th October 2022

Rosbercon: Saturday 8th October at 7:00 pm

Thomas Dowling, Shanbogh—Months Mind
Pierce and Kathleen O'Mahoney, Stripe, The Rower
Pierce and Grace O'Mahoney, Fethard-On-Sea
Elizabeth Rellis, Tinneranny

Mullinarrigle: Sunday 9th October at 9:30 am

Paddy Malone, Ballygriffin

Rosbercon: Sunday 9th October at 11:00 am

Margaret and John Hickey, Waterford

Collection of Parish Funds

17th/18th & 24th/25th September 2022

Offertory Collection	€ 925.80
Weekly Envelopes	€ 1,294.20
Parish Debt on 28 th September 2022	€ 28,353.61

Dates for your Diary

Friday 24th March 2023 Sacrament of Confirmation in Rosbercon

Saturday 6th May 2023 First Eucharist in Rosbercon

Saturday 13th May 2023 First Eucharist in Listerlin

Many thanks to all who contributed to the Annual Summer Envelope Collection for the support of Fr. Dan. Many thanks to all our parishioners for your continued support.

October Station Envelopes and November Offering Envelopes

will be distributed to the homes of the Parish next week. The November Offering Envelopes contain a sheet for the names of your deceased family and friends. The names of your dead will be placed in the Memorial Box in front of the altar for the month of November. The usual distributors are asked to oblige and we thank them for doing this work on behalf of the parish.

Pilgrimage to Rome March 23

The Adult Faith development Group are holding a pilgrimage to Rome from 9th - 14th March 2023. Rome has a remarkable array of religious art - frescos, paintings, sculptures, mosaics and stuccos. Over the centuries these treasures have inspired, educated and uplifted countless people. This pilgrimage will explore the religious and catechetical meaning of some of these masterpieces. The all-inclusive cost for this pilgrimage is €710.00 p.p. sharing and places can be booked by contacting Kieran and Laura Troy at info@myriam.ie or by calling 057-9355050.

World Mission Day, Sunday 23rd October 2022

On this Sunday each year Pope Francis appeals for spiritual and financial support for our overseas missionaries. The Pandemic has made the work of our missionaries so much more difficult. In the poorer and more remote countries of Africa, Latin America and Asia, it is the missionaries who are on the front line. Our **support** of our Missionaries will provide them with essential aid to help them to relieve suffering and distress. Thank you for your generosity.

Humour—A priest is driving down the road when he comes across a pig lying dead on the road. He contacts the police to inform them of his find. A cocky desk sergeant laughed and said, "Did you give him the last rites?". "No", said the priest, "I thought I'd inform the next of kin first!"

(Contributed by a parishioner)

Just a thought.... You cannot compare.... "No one else has access to the world you carry round within yourself; you are its custodian and entrance. No one else can see the world the way you see it. No one else can feel your life the way you feel it. Thus, it is impossible to ever compare two people because each stand on such different ground."

John O'Donoghue

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.

◆ ST. MOLINGS CHAPTER ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ROSBERCON TULLOGHER

In recent weeks we have experienced increased genuine request for food and back to school costs assistance from within our Parish. Primarily from single parents with children who are in most cases dependent on Social Welfare income from which they have to provide for such necessities as excessive rent, heating costs, clothing and food. Thanks to donations received from Parishioners over the past year we were able to provide the necessary assistance to the best of our financial ability. Given the present economic climate we expect such requests will be a weekly occurrence within our Parish over the winter months. It is important to note all such requests are carefully examined to ensure sincerity prior to any assistance being given. To enable us to provide for such ongoing requests, donations received from Parishioners and Parish Organisation's given to any of our following members will be greatly appreciated.

All corners of our Parish are covered very discreetly by our committee as follows—Catherine and Mary—Tullougher area, Seamus and Richard — Shanbogh area, Brid and Margaret—Rosbercon area. Where children are concerned we tend to move quickly to ensure they are neither hungry or in need of warm clothing or footwear. Committee Members—Richard McElwee, Catherine Cottrell, Mary B. Conway, Brid Vereker, Seamus Waters and Margaret Saunders—087-7140112

◆ LINE DANCING

Line Dancing will be held on Tuesdays in Rosbercon Hall, 7:00 pm—Beginners and 8:00 pm—Other Dancers. Great exercise and fun for more information please contact Sara on 087-9792483.

◆ MEAL ON WHEELS

If you would like to avail of our high quality meals five days a week, please contact 051-445711, Sr. Aidan Centre, Cross Street.

◆ EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Rosbercon Community Employment Scheme has the following vacancies

1. Office Administrator in New Ross Parish Office

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>)

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