ROSBERCON PARISH NEWSLETTER 9th October 2022

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Twenty Eighth Sunday of the Year

We are gathered to celebrate the Eucharist. The word Eucharist means 'thanksgiving'. In celebrating the Eucharist we are giving thanks to God for all the blessings he has conferred on us, especially through Jesus, his Son.

Theme of the Weekend Readings

The Gospel story of the Ten Lepers reminds us of the wonder of gratitude.

First Reading

The Syrian Naaman returns to give thanks to the Jewish Prophet Elisha.

Second Reading

Contains a summary of the Good News of our salvation.

Gospel

The story of the healing of the ten lepers, and the return of just one to say thanks.

Weekend Masses

Saturday 15th October No Mass in Rosbercon

Sunday 16th October 9:30 am Mass in Mullinarrigle

11:00 am Mass in Rosbercon

Weekday Masses

Rosbercon

Wednesday 12th October 10:00 am Mass Friday 14th October 10:00 am Mass

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

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.

Anniversaries

Thomas Dowling, Shanbogh—Months Mind

John Dowling, Tinnakilly

Pierce and Kathleen O'Mahoney, Stripe, The Rower

Pierce and Grace O'Mahoney, Fethard-On-Sea

Elizabeth Rellis, Tinneranny

Mary Sinnott, Tinneranny

Bridget Handrick, Glencloghlea

Paddy Malone, Ballygriffin

Ann Norris, Slieverue and Smithstown

Margaret and John Hickey, Waterford

Minnie and Billy Boland, Ballycroney, Glenmore

Pat Dooley, Garranbehy

We welcome into our Christian Community Elsie Mai Ann Kenny, daughter of Owen and Stephanie, Ballykenna, who was baptised in the St. David's Church, Listerlin, on Saturday, 24th September 2022.

We welcome into our Christian Community **Grace Ellen Forristal,** daughter of Edward and Laura, Shanbogh, who was baptised in the Church of the Assumption, Rosbercon, on Friday 30th September 2022.

We also welcome into our Christian Community **Lilyana Adeline Sullivan**, daughter of Gary and Leanne, Smithstown, who was baptised in St. David's Church, Listerlin, on Saturday 1st October 2022.

A Message from Fr Dan: Looking forward to Mission Sunday Two weeks from now on the 23rd October we will be celebrating Mission Sunday. Mission Sunday reminds us each year of our missionaries working in the countries of Africa and Asia and across the world caring for the poor and the marginalised. They need our prayers and support. We think especially of those who work with the victims of war, poverty and hunger.

Pope Francis continually emphasises how mission is central to the role of the Church. The pope has constantly spoken of the major contribution that the various missionary societies of men, women and lay people have made to the ongoing task of bringing the good news of salvation to the world. We in Ireland can take special pride in what Irish Missionaries have achieved. In the Diocese of Ossory, in the parish of Rosbercon we rejoice in what our own priests, brothers, sisters and lay personnel have given. We think too of the prayers, support and finances that our people have offered over the past 100 years in missionary engagement.

Pope Francis is again reminding us this year that that the mission of Christ is ongoing, embracing all peoples of every creed and religious denomination. Since Vatican II the Church's mission to the world has become more inclusive. Pope John XXIII and the Popes who came after him, emphasise that mission is to the world. The Church in modern times sees itself as working to bring about the Kingdom of God especially in areas where there is widespread abuse of human rights and where the growth of capitalism and industrialization have marginalized the native peoples.

The mission of the Church cannot be separated from the problems of the world – the great divide between the 'haves' and the 'have nots' and the massive refugee problem resulting from religious persecution and poverty. Global warming, even now, is posing such a threat to the wellbeing of Planet Earth. We cannot ignore the 33% of the world's population living below the poverty line. We celebrate the efforts of the missionaries, who are working to confront these enormous challenges. Those who support them are missionaries themselves. The weekend after next will remind us again of the depth of Ireland's missionary heritage. The success of our Missionaries will always rely on the prayers and generosity of the Irish people.

From the Ennis Parish Newsletter (Adapted)

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Mass Intentions for Saturday/Sunday 15th/16th October 2022

Mullinarrigle: Sunday 16th October at 9:30 am Jean Lackey, Brownstown—Months Mind **Rosbercon:** Sunday 16th October at 11:00 am

Peggy Power, Shanbogh

Collection of Parish Funds 1st & 2nd October 2022

Offertory Collection € 378.00

Weekly Envelopes € 1,562.50

Parish Debt on 5th October 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

St. Mary's Cathedral, Kilkenny Restoration Fund 2022/2023 The September draw for St. Mary's Cathedral Restoration Fund took place Wednesday 28th September in the Chapter Room at St. Mary's Cathedral. Please check the Church Noticeboards for the results of the draw.

October Station Envelopes and November Offering Envelopes will be distributed to the homes of the Parish this 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.

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.

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.

Just a Thought: 'Whoever we are, let us celebrate the goodness that abounds in people and let people be free to express this goodness in a variety of ways'. These are the words of Saint Vincent de Paul whose feast day was on 27th September. The Saint Vincent de Paul Society has a branch in Rosbercon Parish.

Wisdom: "For all the sad words of tongue or pen, the saddest are these – It might have been."

Take Care

In the journey to the light,

the dark moments should not threaten.

Belief requires that you hold steady.

Bend, if you will, with the wind.

The tree is your teacher,

roots become more firm in fragile soil.

Your gentle dew will come to sooth us.

In our misery and rage it is easy to cry out against all others;

We must persevere on the journey towards

the sharing of all human hope and cries.

We need to reclaim our shared humanity.

Hold firm. Take care. Come home together.

President Michael D Higgins (Adapted)

Humour: When the new euro came to Ireland and the old money died, all the old notes and coins went to heaven. The coins were all welcomed and given fine accommodation. The notes were given far simpler quarters and complained to St. Peter. He replied, 'I've seldom seen any of you around the church!'

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.

♦ CLEANER WANTED

5 - 10 hours per week - weekend work.

Fixed term contract.

Apply in writing to:

The Principal,

St. Canice's National School,

Rosbercon, New Ross, Co. Wexford, Y34 VH61.

♦ NEW ROSS ACTIVE RETIREMENT

New Ross Active Retirement craft class are collecting for the Xmas shoe box appeal any children's clothes ages 10/14 would be great. Contact Cellie 086-3098720.

♦ 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.

♦ MEALS 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

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

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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