

ROSBERCON PARISH NEWSLETTER 9th July 2023

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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

At times all of us find life burdensome. But Jesus invites us to bring our burdens to him and he will give us rest. We come to him now in a spirit of love and trust.

Theme of the Weekend Readings

We can bring our troubles to God and find rest.

First Reading—God’s prophet promises peace to his people.

Second Reading—Life is given to us through God’s spirit.

Gospel—Jesus promises rest to the overburdened.

Weekend Masses

Saturday 15 th July	No Mass in Rosbercon
Sunday 16 th July	9:30 am Mass in Mullinarrigle 11:00 am Mass in Rosbercon

Weekday Masses

Rosbercon

Wednesday 12 th July	10:00 am Mass
Friday 14 th July	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 10:30 am to 12:00 noon. All are welcome to attend.

We welcome into our Parish Community **Luca Anthony Madkour**, son of Suzanne, Rosbercon, who was baptised in the Church of the Assumption, Rosbercon, on Saturday 1st July 2023.

Anniversaries

Rena Ryan, School House Road
The Purcell Family, Smithtown
Sr. Annette Walsh, Smithstown
Pat Walsh, Listerlin and Ferrybank
Margaret and Matty Phelan, Shanbogh
Michael Fleming Snr., Shanbough

To make you Think

Take time to think, it is the source of power. Take time to read, it is the foundation of wisdom. Take time to play, it is the secret of staying young.

Take time to be quiet, it is the moment to seek God. Take time to be aware, it is the opportunity to help others. Take time to love and be loved, it is God’s greatest gift.

Take time to laugh, it is the music of the soul. Take time to be friendly, it is the road to happiness. Take time to dream, it is what the future is made of. Take time to pray it is the greatest power on earth.

A Message from Fr. Dan: Making the best use of our time: Many people are overworked. While holding down a job, they are also rearing children and caring for a home. Many have a number of other commitments also. So, it is very important that we make the best use of the time available to us. Here are a few helpful suggestions:

- Work out what are the most important and urgent tasks you have to accomplish each day. Identify which ones must be done now and what can be left until later.
- Spend the morning on your most important tasks. Get them completed first.
- To remain fresh and focused take a short break between tasks. The human brain needs time to adjust before a new task is undertaken.
- Keep focused on the task in hand. Avoid answering texts or the phone or browsing on the web. Most calls can wait until you have completed the work in hand.
- Many of us are perfectionists. We put off tasks until we can do them perfectly. Because most of us have many tasks on our list, we need to concentrate on getting them done as best we can.
- We need to keep our work programme straight and simple. This means not taking on new tasks or helping a colleague until we have some spare time.
- Many people multitask. They work on two or more projects at the same time. This often prevents important and urgent work getting completed on time because of lack of focus.
- Use a diary or online calendar to arrange meetings, organize events, set reminders, or check your availability on a given date. Diaries and calendars have been used for years to manage time effectively.
- Experts tell us that we can live much happier and more productive lives by taking some time each day to sensibly organize our time.

From the Ennis Parish Newsletter

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.

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Mass Intentions for the Saturday/Sunday

15th/16th July 2023

Mullinarrigle: Sunday 16th July at 9:30 am

Kathleen Mackey, Mullinakill

Sincere thanks to all who contributed so generously to the **Annual Summer Collection Envelopes**. Outstanding envelopes may be handed in at the weekend Masses or to the Parish Office.

St. Mary's Cathedral, Kilkenny Restoration Fund 2022/2023

The June draw for St. Mary's Cathedral Restoration Fund took place Wednesday 28th June in the Chapter Room at St. Mary's Cathedral. Please check the Church Noticeboards for the full results of the draw.

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 porches of the Churches of the Parish.

Reflection: 'Priest'

Uncle Tom was a priest. He was a practical man, but Latin was Greek to him.

He died just after his retirement. His heart gave way as he was digging out the site for his new retirement house!

He was more an electrician than a preacher, he began all his speeches by saying,

'I'm not one for speeches' and he was right about that.

He did not really have much to teach his parishioners, they had their own troubles with their births, with their loves and deaths, and he did not have the words for such things.

But he learnt how to repair electric wires and he visited people in their home and mended short circuits and defective fuse boxes; he screwed lamps into place and wherever he had been, there was Light.

To make you Smile

You know you're getting old when you stoop down to tie your shoelaces, and wonder what else you can do when you're down there.

When you say, 'I agree in principle', it means you haven't the slightest intention of doing it.

Bismarck (1815-1898)

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!

◆ **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

Rosbercon Community Employment Scheme has the following vacancies

1. 2 x Environmental Worker in Rosbercon Parish
2. 1 x Environmental Worker in New Ross 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>)**

◆ **SOUTH KILKENNY HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

Members of the society will join locals and others, on July 9th, for the annual climb of Tory Hill on Fraochan Sunday. This ancient tradition pre-dates Christianity and is associated with the ancient festival of Lughanasa. Michael Fortune of Folklore.ie will give a talk, on the summit of the hill, on the traditions associated with Fraochan Sunday at 2pm. Climbing/walking to the summit takes, on average, one hour. The society would like to thank Kilkenny County Council for financial assistance received for this event, under the Community Events Grants Scheme 2023.

◆ **TULLOGHER ROSBERCON GAA NOTES**

The club would like to extend a sincere thank you to all the people & businesses on providing sponsorship for the recent golf outing held on the 23rd of June. It was a really enjoyable and successful day even in the damp conditions. The golf day would not be feasible without the support and hospitality from New Ross Golf club who continue to accommodate us when required. Its very much appreciated so thank you.

On the playing field,

- The junior hurling team lost out in the Paddy Cahill Cup Final to St. Pats Ballyragget on a scoreline of 2-14 to 0-13 held last Tuesday night. Next up is the 1st round of the league championship v Kilmacow on the 4th of August.
- The Under 17 team recorded a good win over Barrow Rangers in Round 7 of the league on a scoreline of 1-22 to 2-07. Next up is Carrickshock next Monday evening in Hugginstown.

◆ **TULLOGHER ROSBERCON GAA DEVELOPMENT DRAW**

The winners of the Tullagher Rosbercon Development Draw for June 2023 are as follows:

- 1st—Finn Kelly, New Ross
- 2nd—Stephen and Hanora O'Connor, Somers Cross
- 3rd—Sean Meaney, Ballyreddy
- 4th—Michael and Mary Ryan, Listerlin
- 5th—Olone Family, Slievecorrig
- 6th—Phil Murphy, Ballyneale
- 7th—John Connolly, Ballykenna

The next draw will take place on Tuesday the 25th July at 08:30 pm.

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