

ROSBERCON PARISH NEWSLETTER 3rd September 2023

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TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

To follow Christ is inevitably to suffer. But there are great rewards too. However, we are weak and cowardly. Without God we can do little. Let us turn to God and ask pardon for our failures and strength in our weakness.

Theme of the Weekend Readings

Is there a meaning to suffering!

First Reading

The prophet Jeremiah suffers for preaching God's word.

Second Reading—St. Paul advises us to offer our lives to God.

Gospel—Jesus will suffer.

Weekend Masses

Saturday 9th September 7:00 pm Mass in Rosbercon

Sunday 10th September 9:30 am Mass in Mullinarrigle
11:00 am Mass in Rosbercon

Weekday Masses

Rosbercon

Wednesday 6th September No Mass

Friday 8th September No 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.

Anniversaries

Tim Roche, Curragh Lane—Months Mind

Michael Phelan, Tullogher

Andy Murphy, Brownsford

James Conway, Listerlin

James Waters, Shanbough

Barry Doyle, Shanbogh and Dublin

We wish every blessing to **Kate Boyle, Shanbogh and Jason St. Ledger, Irishtown**, who were married in the Church of the Assumption, Rosbercon on Saturday 26th August 2023. May they enjoy a long and rewarding married life.

Wisdom: "What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us."

Humour: Mother to daughter going back to school: 'Of course I am sad you're going back to school because I have to stay at home, all alone, where it is quiet and I can do whatever, I want'!

A Message from Fr. Dan: A Prayer as our Schools Reopen

Loving God, we ask you to wrap our school family in a cloak of love and protection as our schools reopen at this time. Bless our Boards of Management and Staff as they continue the work that they have already begun to ensure a welcoming and safe environment for all. Bless our parents as they again entrust their children to our schools. Help us to work together to help the children and young people to become the very best that they can be.

Above all, God of Love, we ask you to extend your hand of blessing on our pupils as they joyfully reunite with their friends and with the school community. May they continue to progress in their studies and always know that they are safe, secure and protected. We know that each year will differ from the year that went before, but we are confident that through the efforts of so many dedicated people, God's love and care for each of us will never change. May we show the same love and care for one another in all we do and say this year. Amen.

September Prayer

I thank you, Lord, God Our Father,
for all that was good during the Summer –
for the love my family gave me,
for the company of friends,
and for the sunshine on warm days.

I thank you for the people who cared for me,
At those times when I felt sad and down at heart.
Now I ask for your help as I begin a new school year,
and I pray your blessing on every day in this school.

Show us how to work together for the good of all.
May we share our talents and abilities to the full
and grow in knowledge, wisdom and happiness.

During this school year,
let us become builders of your ways
and instruments of your peace
in our part of the world.

We ask this school year blessing,
Through Jesus Christ Our Lord, Amen

To make you Smile: 'God grant me the senility to forget the people I never liked anyway, the good fortune to run into the ones I did like, and the eyesight to tell the difference'.

Terry Wogan

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Mass Intentions for the Saturday/Sunday

9th/10th September 2023

Rosbercon: Saturday, 9th September at 7:00 pm
Thomas Dowling, Shanbogh

Mullinarrigle: Sunday 10th September at 9:30 am
Biddy and Ned Roche, Listerlin

Rosbercon: Sunday 10th September at 11:00 am
Jo and Agnes Malone, Hoods Grove

Collection of Parish Funds 19th/20th & 26th/27th August 2023

Offertory Collection € 1,067.10

Weekly Envelopes € 1,187.90

Parish Debt on 30th August 2023 € 23,853.61

Envelopes for the **Summer Collection** for the support of Fr. Dan have been distributed to the homes of the Parish. Envelopes may be handed in at the Parochial House or returned at the weekend Masses. Many thanks to our parishioners for your generosity and support.

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.

◆ LIVING WELL PROGRAMME – BOOKINGS NOW OPEN!

Living Well is a free group Self-Management programme for adults living with long-term health conditions. The Programme runs for 2,5 hours once a week for six weeks and is available in person and online. Two trained leaders deliver the workshops. At least one of the leaders lives with a long-term health condition. **See poster above for programmes available in the South East.**

People taking part in the workshops may or may not have the same health condition(s). Examples of long-term health conditions include (but are not limited to): Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD), Asthma, Diabetes, Heart conditions, Stroke, Multiple Sclerosis (MS), Arthritis, Cancer, Crohn's Disease, chronic pain and depression.

The workshops are delivered in a relaxed and friendly way so that all participants can learn from each other. Each person who takes part gets a book about Self-Management. For the online programmes, you will receive support to get online, if required. More info on www.hse.ie/LivingWell

For bookings and inquiries email LivingWellSE@hse.ie or phone 056 778 49 44 / 056 778 49 45.

◆ FAMILY FUN DAY

A family fun day will be held on Sunday 9th October from 2:00 pm—5:00 pm, The Auxiliary Building, Wolf Tone Street, Kilkenny. On the day there will be story telling, apple pressing, music, treasure hunt, exhibition, face painting and refreshments. This event is to celebrate Mental Health Week.

◆ RICHELIE YOUNG MEMORIAL RUN 5K RUN OR 3K WALK

St. Joseph's Athletic Club are holding the Richie Young Memorial Run on Sunday 10th September at the Pink Rock at 12:00 noon.

Guess your pace to win the race based on approx. a 3k or 5k distance. Please register for free on Eventbrite. On the day donations are kindly accepted for Meals On Wheels and St. Joseph's Athletic Club.

◆ TULLOGHER ROSBERCON VINTAGE CLUB

Tullagher Rosbercon Vintage Club will hold their annual road run on Sunday 17th September. Registration at 11:30 am run will start at 1:00 pm from Rosbercon Parish Centre refreshments after the race back in the hall.

◆ FIANNA FAIL TULLOGHER LISTERLIN CUMANN AGM

The Fianna Fail Tullagher Listerlin Cumann will hold their AGM on Monday night the 11th September in Paddy Ryan's Pub 8:30 pm.

◆ TULLOGHER ROSBERCON DEVELOPMENT DRAW-JULY

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

1st—Willie Vereker, Rosbercon

2nd—Georgina Murphy, Ballyfoyle

3rd—Adam Mulligan, Glenballyvalley

4th—Greta Doherty

5th—Liz and Derek Furness, Raheen

6th—Jackie and Shane Delahunty, Ballycurran

7th—Pat Murphy, Darbystown

◆ TULLOGHER ROSBERCON DEVELOPMENT DRAW-AUGUST

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

1st—Purcell Family, Slievecorrig

2nd—Margaret Ryan, Guilcough

3rd—Liz and Derek Furness, Raheen

4th—David Kennedy, Castlefield

5th—Georgina Murphy, Ballyfoyle

6th—Thomas Doherty, Ballyneale

7th—Paddy Gaule, Slievecorrig

The next draw will take place on Tuesday 26th September 2023 at 08:30 pm.

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