

ROSBERCON PARISH NEWSLETTER 26th May 2024

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FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Today we celebrate the greatest mystery of our faith, namely, the mystery of the Trinity. God is Father, Son and Spirit. We celebrate the family of God; the love of the Father, the friendship of Jesus and the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Theme of the Weekend Readings

We reflect on the character of our God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

First Reading

Moses calls the attention of the people to the wonderful deeds of God.

Second Reading

We are all God's children filled with the Holy Spirit.

Gospel

Jesus gives his disciples the task to preach the gospel and baptise all people.

Weekend Masses

Saturday 1 st June	7:00 pm Mass in Tullogher
Sunday 2 nd June	9:30 am in Mullinarrigle
	11:00 am Mass in Rosbercon

Weekday Masses

Rosbercon	
Wednesday 29 th May	10:00 am Mass
Friday 31 st May	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.

Fr. Dan will celebrate the **Golden Jubilee of his Ordination** with a Mass of Thanksgiving on Friday 28th June at 7:30 pm in Rosbercon Church followed by refreshments in the Church grounds. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Niall Coll. **All are welcome.**

Recent Deaths

Eileen Delahunty, Mooncoin
Steve Repman, Harwich, UK and formally New Ross

Anniversaries

Philip Wall, Rosbercon
Anna and Martin Woods, Ballymartin
Edward and Margaret Conway, Listerlin
Sr. Margaret Conway, Holy Faith Sisters and Listerlin Con, Rena and Michael Ryan, School House Road
Andy Kane, Shanbogh
Cathy Doran, Maiden Lane, New Ross
Pat Fortune, Shanbogh
James Waters Snr., and Kate Waters, Shanbogh
Rita Kennedy Walsh, Ballymagill

Many thanks to all who took part in the in **the Holy Communion Ceremonies** in Listerlin last weekend. Special thanks to the Teachers, Choir, Readers and to those who decorated the Church. We wish all the children happiness in their lives.

A Message from Fr. Dan: This weekend, we celebrate the Feast of the Blessed Trinity; Father, Son and Holy Spirit: "The Glory of God is a human being fully alive". (St. Irenaeus). This is our deepest vocation; to be a good human being and to be a good Christian. We cannot be one without the other. Our deepest calling is to become the people God intended us to be.

During our life on earth, we are and always will be, incomplete, imperfect. That is why we say, 'To err is human'. None of us is fully kind, fully patient, or fully moral or virtuous. We cannot live up fully to our laws or to our ideals. That is why we resent the demand that we be faultless; to be faultless is to be a bit inhuman!

Therefore, a good-humoured acceptance of human imperfection is essential if we are to be happy. We accept our limited selves and at the same time we work to develop our talents. We are a mixture of good and bad, strong and weak, faithful and unfaithful, angel and devil.

Our task in life is to overcome our faults and to develop our God-like qualities. So, we try to be unselfish, loving, loyal, compassionate, just, truthful, chaste and so on. We try to overcome fear, guilt, shame, anxiety, lying, dishonesty and the thousand vices that are part of life. We reverence good and moral people because of the help and example they give us. We reverence the three persons of the Blessed Trinity: Father, Son and Spirit who come to help us in our weakness.

On this Trinity weekend, we celebrate the love which the Father, Son and Spirit have for each one is us. It is this love that helps us to feel loved and to be able love others. It is love that makes us fully human, the people God means us to be. That is our happiness. In difficult times, when we feel that no one loves us, we can ask God for help, and even the worst day will not be as bad as we expected. God guides us each day and helps us to become more fully human.

From the Ennis Parish Newsletter, (Adapted)

The Trinity by Patrick Kavanagh

"Yet sometimes when the sun shines through a gap,
These men know God the Father in a tree.

The Holy Spirit is the rising sap,
And Christ will be the green leaves
That will come

At Easter from the sealed and guarded tomb".

To make you Smile: A bee is never as busy as it seems; it's just that it can't buzz any slower.

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Mass Intentions for the Saturday/Sunday

1st/2nd June 2024

Tullagher: Saturday 1st June at 7:00 pm

Barney (Bernard) Malone, Brownsford

Collection of Parish Funds 11th/12th & 18th/19th May 2024

Offertory Collection € 1,538.00

Weekly Envelopes € 1,087.00

Parish Debt on 22nd May 2024 € 19,353.60

Dates of Cemetery Masses in Rosbercon Parish, 2024

Tuesday, 18th June—Ballyneale Cemetery

Friday, 21st June—Rosbercon New Cemetery

Monday, 1st July—Listerlin Old Cemetery (Rosary-No Mass)

Tuesday, 2nd July—Shanbogh Cemetery

Friday, 5th July—Mullinarrigle Cemetery

Tuesday, 9th July—Rosbercon Old Cemetery

Sunday, 25th August—St. Moling's Well

All Evening Masses at 7:30 pm and Sunday Masses at 2:00 pm

Please note the change of time for evening services.

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.

Ailish Higgins, the new Director of Safeguarding & DLP for the Diocese of Ossory, will facilitate a **Refresher/Information Session on Safeguarding in Rosbercon Parish Hall** on Wednesday 29th May from 7:30 pm—9:00 pm. This evening is open to all who volunteer in Rosbercon Parish and all are welcome to attend.

Reflection: Digging

By God, the old man could handle a spade.

Just like his old man.

My grandfather cut more turf in a day

than any other man on Toner's Bog.

Once I carried him milk in a bottle

Corked sloppily with paper.

He straightened up to drink it,

then fell to right way

Nicking and slicing neatly,

heaving sods over his shoulder,

going down and down for the good turf.

Digging.

The cold smell of potato mould,

the squelch and slap of soggy peat,

the curt cuts of an edge

Through living roots awaken in my head.

But I've no spade to follow men like them.

"Going down and down for the good turf.

Digging".

Seamus Heaney

Summer Wishes: Fr. Dan thanks all parishioners for the many wonderful ways that we journey together throughout the year. He thanks those who have continued to be so generous to our parish and to him over so many years. May we all enjoy the wonderful season of summer.

Reflection: A Wise King

In ancient Ireland a King was expected:

To be a listener in the woods; to be a gazer at the stars.

To be silent in the wilderness; to be talkative in company.

To be silent where secrets were concerned; to be mild in the Mead Hall.

To be stern in battle; to be gentle towards allies.

To be a physician of the sick; to respect the old.

To be strong towards the powerful; to be weak with the feeble.

Not to speak of anyone in their absence; to give but not to ask.

Through cultivating these habits, the young prince became a worthy king.

Brian Darcy (Adapted)

Wisdom: "Experience is what enables you to recognise a mistake when you make it again".

Humour: From his scaffolding high up on the Sistine Chapel Ceiling, Michelangelo spotted an old woman praying below. To relieve the boredom, he put on a deep voice and shouted down 'This is Jesus Christ speaking'. She shouted back 'Shut up, I'm speaking to your mother'.

◆ SOUTH KILKENNY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Coach Trip to Lismore on Saturday, June 1st 2024. Cost is € 70.00 for members and € 75.00 for those who are not paid up members for 2024. The cost includes coach hire, entrance to Lismore Heritage Centre, a walking tour of Lismore, entrance to Lismore Castle Gardens and an evening meal at the Foley's, Lismore. It does not include the cost of lunch. The coach will depart the Main Street, Mullinavat at 9:00 am, returning at approximately 10:00 pm.

For further information on booking places for the Coach Trip please contact Brigid Barron, Blossom Hill, Kilmacow, Co. Kilkenny, (087 9507295, brigidbarron@hotmail.com) or Mary Ryan, 'Gort Glas', Aghlish, Carrigeen, Co. Kilkenny (086 3790655, maryearyan@gmail.com).

A € 20.00 non-refundable deposit, per person will apply.

◆ KNOCK PILGRIMAGE

There will be a one day coach trip to Knock Shrine on Sunday July 7th for the Ferns Diocesan Day. Pick-up Points are Wellingtonbridge, Ramsgrange, Campile, and New Ross. Fare € 83.00 including two meals. For more information please contact details Nicholas Bowe on 087-9418661.

◆ NEW ROSS ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

The New Ross Active Retirement will have their general meeting on Friday the 31st May at 11:00 am in the Youth Centre, Nunnery Lane, New Ross. Beltane Tea after the meeting. All members welcome.

◆ EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Rosbercon Community Employment Scheme has the following vacancies

1. 2 x Activities Assistant in New Houghton Hospital

2. 1 x Groundsman/Caretaker in Tullagher GAA

3. 1 x Environmental Workers 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>)

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