

# ROSBERCON PARISH NEWSLETTER 2nd June 2024

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## THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST CORPUS CHRISTI

This is the feast of Corpus Christi – the Body of Christ. St. Paul continually reminds us that we are the Body of Christ. When we gather here the Body of Christ becomes visible. As we prepare to celebrate the Eucharist, we call to mind how important it is that we should be reconciled with one another.

### Theme of the Weekend Readings

God cares for us, his family, especially by providing us with spiritual food and drink.

### First Reading

Moses makes an agreement with God: The Jews will be God's people.

### Second Reading

Christ brings a new agreement: Christians are the new people called by God.

### Gospel

At the Last Supper Jesus gave his body as a parting gift to his followers.

### Weekend Masses

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June 7:00 pm Mass in Rosbercon

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June 9:30 am in Mullinarrigle

11:00 am Mass in Rosbercon

### Weekday Masses

#### Rosbercon

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June No Mass

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June 10:00 am Mass

All Masses from Rosbercon Church will be streamed live through our webcam on [www.rosberconparish.ie](http://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 28<sup>th</sup> 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.**

**The Annual Summer Collection Envelopes** for the support of Fr. Dan will be available on the weekend of the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> June 2024. The usual distributors are asked to oblige.

### Anniversaries

Rita Meagher, née Kiely, School House Road—Months Mind

Barney (Bernard) Malone, Brownsford

John A. Hamilton, Ballyneale

Lena Rochford, The Bullawn, New Ross

**A Message from Fr. Dan: This weekend, we celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi, the Body of Christ:** When Jesus was about to leave the world to return to his Father, he assured his followers, and us, that he would never leave us. Jesus instituted the Eucharist so that he would continue to be with us. He asked that we **Do this in Memory of Me:** In this way, Jesus is present at every Mass. He is very close to us.

At Mass, Jesus gives himself to us, as he did during his lifetime. We remember the story how Jesus, at the end of a tiring day, would not send his followers away hungry He fed his people with five barley loaves and two fish. Jesus took the loaves and the fish, blessed, broke and gave them to the apostles to distribute to the people. In the hands of the apostles the bread kept on increasing.

The lesson that Jesus wants us to learn is that he constantly nourishes us with the bread of Life in the Mass. In today's gospel story, Jesus repeats his act of giving when on Holy Thursday night, He took the bread, blessed, broke it and gave it to his disciples saying "This is my body which is given for you. Do this in memory of me". These words mean that at each Mass, Jesus changes the bread and wine into his Body and Blood.

Every Sunday we gather as a community to celebrate Mass together. We listen to God's word; we pray and are nourished in Holy Communion. Jesus wants us to continue living the Eucharist in our daily lives. In our giving to others, in our respect, through acts of kindness, generosity, and goodness we live the love of Jesus. It is our presence at Mass that strengthens us to prayer and to serve. That is what Jesus asks us to do when we are sent forth at the end of Mass.

*From the Ennis Parish Newsletter, (Adapted)*

### Reflection: Prayer of Blessing for Examination Students

Lord, pour out your wisdom on students taking examinations at this time.

Help them to remain calm,  
to attend carefully to the questions asked,  
to think clearly, to remember accurately,  
and to express themselves well.

Grant that they may give of their best.

Lord, reward the work they have done.

Bring to their minds the best of the teaching they have received.

Accept their best efforts, Lord, in these examinations,  
and in the great test of life on earth.

May your love be upon them as they place their trust in you.

We make this prayer through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

**To make you Smile:** When Peter Sellers survived his first heart attack in 1979, Spike Milligan sent him a telegram: 'You swine. I had you insured'.

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**Mass Intentions for the Saturday/Sunday  
8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

**Rosbercon:** Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June at 7:00 pm  
Helen Birmingham, South Knock, New Ross

**Rosbercon:** Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June at 11:00 am  
Maise and Frankie O'Neill, Charleton Hill  
John Joe Lewis, Assumption Terrace, Rosbercon

**Dates of Cemetery Masses in Rosbercon Parish, 2024**

Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> June—Ballyneale Cemetery  
Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> June—Rosbercon New Cemetery  
Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> July—Listerlin Old Cemetery (Rosary-No Mass)  
Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> July—Shanbogh Cemetery  
Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> July—Mullinarrigle Cemetery  
Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> July—Rosbercon Old Cemetery  
Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Reflection:** Pierre, in Tolstoy's novel, War and Peace, discovered in his wife's love for him what was really good about himself. He had already experienced in an earlier marriage how fickle his own love was.

After seven years of married life, Pierre had a firm and joyful consciousness that he was not a bad fellow, and he felt this because he saw himself reflected in his wife. In himself he felt all the good and bad mingled together, and obscuring one another.

But in his wife, he saw reflected only what was really good; everything not quite good was left out. And this result was reached not by way of logical reflection, but by way of a mysterious, direct reflection of himself.

**Humour: A Senior's Version of Facebook!** 'For those of my generation who do not and cannot, comprehend why Facebook exists: I am trying to make friends outside of Facebook while applying the same principles. Therefore, every day I walk down the street and tell passers-by what I have eaten, how I feel at that moment, what I have done the night before, what I will do later and with whom. I give them pictures of my family, my dog and of me gardening, taking things apart in the garage, watering the lawn, standing in front of landmarks, driving around town, having lunch and doing what anybody and everybody does every day. I also listen to their conversations, give them 'thumbs up' and tell them I 'like' them. And it works just like Facebook. I already have 4 people following me: 2 guards, a private investigator and a psychiatrist'.

**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.

**Prayer**

God help us to live slowly:  
To move simply:  
To look softly:  
To allow emptiness:  
To let our hearts be creative for us:  
Amen

**Wisdom:** "The world in its concern with 'Left and Right' has forgotten that there is an 'Above and a Below'".

**Reflection**

May your mornings bring joy and your evenings bring peace.  
May your troubles grow few as your blessings increase.  
May the saddest day of your future  
Be no worse than the saddest day of your past.  
May your hands be clasped in friendship  
And your hearts joined in love.  
Our lives are very special,  
God has touched us in many ways.  
May his blessings rest upon us  
And fill all our coming days.

◆ **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.

◆ **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 Tullogher 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>)

◆ **TULLOGHER ROSBERCON DEVELOPMENT DRAW**

The winners of the Tullogher Rosbercon Development Draw which was held on Tuesday 28th May 2024, are as follows:

- 1st—James Grennan, Ballycurran
- 2nd—John Flanagan, Raheen
- 3rd—Mary Mulligan, Glenballyvalley
- 4th—Michael Power, Brownsntown
- 5th—Pat Doyle, Glenpipe
- 6th—Thomas and Alison Grennan, Ballycurran
- 7th—Ciaran Holohan, Listerlin

The next draw will take place on Tuesday 18th June 2024 at 09:00 pm.

◆ **JOB OPPORTUNITY**

Eurofarm & Garden Supplies Ltd., Kilkenny are seeking a person to cover maternity leave on a full time basis from early July 24 to March 25. Good computer skills necessary. Knowledge of farming & equestrian products an advantage. Apply with CV to [george@tackshop.ie](mailto:george@tackshop.ie)

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