

# ROSBERCON PARISH NEWSLETTER 23rd June 2024

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## TWELFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

When the apostles got caught in a storm they turned to Jesus for help and found it. From time to time, we too get caught in storms. Our storms usually take the form of trials of one kind or another. We must know how to turn to the Lord and trust that he will see us through the storm.

### Theme of the Weekend Readings

To know that Christ is with us when times are tough in the storms of life is a great consolation.

### First Reading

Job received his answer even in the midst of the storm.

### Second Reading

St. Paul reminds us that, as followers of Jesus, we are a new creation.

**Gospel**—Jesus is Lord of the winds and the sea.

### Weekend Masses

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June No Mass in Rosbercon  
Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June 9:30 am in Mullinarrigle  
11:00 am Mass in Rosbercon

### Weekday Masses

#### Rosbercon

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 10:00 am Mass  
Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 10:00 am Mass  
Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 7:30 pm Mass for Fr. Dan's Golden Jubilee

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 next 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.**

### Anniversaries

Bridget O'Neill, Ballyknock—Months Mind  
Peggy and John Connick, Dowsley's Barn, New Ross  
Dr. Charlie Kehoe, School House Road, Rosbercon  
Margaret McElwee, Ballyknock  
James Doolan, Ballyknock

**Cead Mile Failte:** We welcome into our Parish Community **Emily Rose Walsh**, daughter of Mark and Sara, Glenpipe, who was baptised in Listerlin Church on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

We also welcome into our Parish Community **Sophie Ellen Moran**, daughter of David and Shannon, Beech Grove, who was baptised in Rosbercon Church on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

**A Message from Fr. Dan: Our Father who Art in Heaven:** The Our Father is the first prayer that many of us learned. It is still many people's favourite prayer. It was given to us by Jesus and it is the prayer that Jesus prayed many times in his own lifetime. The Our Father was given to the Apostles in the midst of Jesus' final journey to Jerusalem where he suffered and died.

The Our Father is a very complex prayer and contains depths of spirituality. In the first part of the prayer, we ask that God's Kingdom would come, that his will be done and that he would give us our daily bread.

A very important teaching of the Our Father is that God will "Forgive us our Trespases, as we forgive those who trespass against us." Just as there can be no life without food, there can be no life without forgiveness. Without forgiveness our world would be a place of hatred, revenge and retaliation. It would be a world full of fear and dread. Without forgiveness we cannot let go of hurt and resentment. With forgiveness we return to the same one road and we continue to travel together. The world of forgiveness is a world where there is a renewal of life, peace and hope. When we forgive others who have wronged us, we are open to God's mercy towards us and we become channels of God's mercy towards others. We give to others the gift of forgiveness that God has given us.

The Our Father continues, 'Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil' When we pray not to be led into temptation, we ask God not to put us to the test. A test in the bible is a trial to see how faithful we are. God tested Abraham when he asked him to sacrifice his only son, Isaac. In this part of the Our Father we are asking God to save us from moments in life when we are tempted to choose something other than our loyalty to God. We conclude the Our Father by asking God to deliver us from evil.

The Our Father is the most beautiful prayer that we have. Every time we pray the Our Father, we reflect on how we all belong to the one human family.

**'A Positive Live-Streaming Legacy', by Fr. Bernard Cotter in the Irish Catholic,**

'I predict that live-streamed Masses will be part of parish life from now on. They will keep housebound people in touch with church life. Up to this, many would not have had the necessary equipment. But now, (almost) everyone has.

I predict that many funerals will continue to be live-streamed in the future, as a means of including family members who are abroad and unable to travel home in time. This may well be one of the positive legacies of these strange times'.

**To make you Smile:** "Saints are all right in heaven, but they are hell on earth". Cardinal Cushing, Archbishop of Boston.

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## Mass Intentions for the Saturday/Sunday

29th/30th June

**Mullinarrigle:** Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 9:30 am

Peggy Long, Ballveria

### Collection of Parish Funds 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> June 2024

**Offertory Collection** € 761.10

**Weekly Envelopes** € 894.20

**Parish Debt on 19<sup>th</sup> June 2024** € 19,353.60

**The Annual Summer Collection Envelopes** for the support of Fr. Dan have been distributed to the homes of the parish. Envelopes may be handed in at Mass or to the Parochial House. Many thanks for all your generosity.

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

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

#### 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.

### Celtic Prayer for the Close of the Year

As the rain hides the stars,

As the autumn mist hides the hills,

As the clouds veil the blue sky,

So, the dark happenings of our days

Hide the shining of God's face from us.

Yet, if we hold Christ's hand in darkness,

It is enough, since we know that,

Though we may stumble in our going,

God does not fall

**Wisdom** is learning to let go when you want to hang on. Courage is learning to hang on when you want to let go.

**Humour:** Nothing flatters a man as much as the happiness of his wife; he is always proud of himself as the source of it.

**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.

### ◆ TULLOGHER ROSBERCON DEVELOPMENT DRAW

Please note that the June Draw has been postponed and will now take place on 30th July (together with the July Draw). Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

### ◆ THE BRIAN FORTUNE MEMORIAL TRACTOR RUN

The **Brian Fortune Memorial Tractor Run** returns this year on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2024. Run commences at 10:00 am at Glenmore GAA pitch (Eircode Y34 YR91). Registration is € 20.00 and all the proceeds of the run go to Jack and Jill Children's Foundation. 100 km Car run to Kilkenny. Tractor Run to Slieverue. Mini Tractor Run and Kids Face Painting. Food, Refreshments and live music with Nicky Walsh in the Glen Bar. All welcome.

### ◆ JOB OPPORTUNITY

Eurofarm & Garden Supplies Ltd., Kilkenny are seeking a person to cover maternity leave on a full time basis from early July 2024 to March 2025. Good computer skills necessary. Knowledge of farming & equestrian products an advantage. Apply with CV to [george@tackshop.ie](mailto:george@tackshop.ie)

### ◆ 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](mailto:rosberconparish@gmail.com). Department of Social Protection, Community Employment Terms and Conditions Apply. See (<http://www.welfare.ie>)

### ◆ LINE DANCING

Line Dancing Classes are held every Tuesday and Thursday evening in Rosbercon Hall at 7:00 pm. Beginners always welcome. For more information please contact Sarah on 087-9792483.

**BRAND NEW** Day Time Line Dancing Classes have started on Tuesdays at 11:00 am until 12:00 noon in Rosbercon Parish Hall. Beginners always welcome. For more information please contact Sarah on 087-9792483.

### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining, the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing and the lawnmower is broken."

*James Dent*

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