

# ROSBERCON PARISH NEWSLETTER 30th June 2024

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## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

In the Gospel we see that Jesus healed sick people by touching them. He touched people in various ways; with his words, with his hands, with his love. The Eucharist brings us close to Jesus. We too need his healing touch in our lives.

### Theme of the Weekend Readings

Our God is a God of Life. Jesus came so that we might have life in all its fullness.

**First Reading**—God is the giver and sustainer of life.

### Second Reading

St. Paul invites his people to be generous to those in need.

**Gospel**—Jesus raises the daughter of Jairus from the dead.

### Weekend Masses

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July 7:00 pm Mass in Tullogher  
Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July 9:30 am in Mullinarrigle  
11:00 am Mass in Rosbercon

### Weekday Masses

#### Rosbercon

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 10:00 am Mass  
Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July 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.

### Cemetery Masses

The following cemetery Masses take place this week, Monday, **Rosary** in the Old Cemetery, Listerlin, Tuesday, Shanbogh Cemetery and Friday, Mullinarrigle Cemetery.

### 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.

### Anniversaries

Peggy Long, Ballyveria

**Just a Thought:** My life is a gift of God, given not in years, but a day at a time. Today is the day the Lord has made for me, and he plans it to be the most important day of my life. Yesterday is gone, never to return and tomorrow and all that it holds is still secret. Only today is mine and on this day, I offer my life to God with all my prayers, works, joys and sufferings. Dear Lord, receive my gift graciously!

**A Message from Fr. Dan: Our Sister, Mother Earth:** Popes, on occasion, write letters to Christians across the world. These letters are known as Papal Encyclicals. Pope Francis wrote a very powerful Encyclical Letter, titled *Laudato Si': On the Care of our Common Home* in July 2019. The Pope wrote this letter in the light of the grave crisis that now faces the earth and the whole of humanity, because of terrible destruction of the environment brought about by blind human greed.

In his letter the Pope presents Saint Francis of Assisi as a model of how we might pull back from the brink. The Pope recalls how Francis reminds us that the earth is our common home and is like a sister, with whom we share our life. The earth is a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us. Saint Francis writes, "Praise be to you, my Lord, through our Sister, Mother Earth, who sustains and governs us, and who produces various fruit with colored flowers and herbs".

The pope goes on "Guided by the Holy Spirit, Saint Francis lived in simplicity and in wonderful harmony with God, with others, with nature and with himself; he recognized an inseparable bond between concern for nature, justice for the poor, commitment to society, and interior peace." He saw "nature as a magnificent book in which God speaks to us and grants us a glimpse of his infinite beauty and goodness.

Just as happens when we fall in love with someone, whenever he would gaze at the sun, the moon or the smallest of animals, he burst into song, drawing all other creatures into his praise of our most loving Creator." He can teach us that "rather than a problem to be solved, the world is a joyful mystery to be contemplated with gladness and praise."

*From the Ennis Parish Newsletter (Adapted)*

### In Memory of my Mother Patrick Kavanagh

*(Died 15<sup>th</sup> November 1945)*

You will have the road gate open, the front door ajar  
The kettle boiling and the table set  
By the window looking out at the sycamores  
And your loving heart lying in wait

For me coming up among the poplar trees.  
You'll know my breathing and my walk  
And it will be a summer evening on those roads,  
Lonely with leaves of thought.

We will be choked with the grief of things growing,  
The silence of dark-green air  
Life too rich - the nettles, docks and thistles  
All answering the prodigal's prayer.

You will know I am coming though I send no word  
For you were lover who could tell  
A man's thoughts – my thoughts – though I hid them –  
Through you I knew Woman and did not fear her spell.

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## Mass Intentions for the Saturday/Sunday

6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> July 2024 and 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> July

**Tullagher:** Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July at 7:00 pm

Michael Hanrahan, Tullagher

**Listerlin:** Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July at 09:00 am

Margaret Malone, Listerlin

Kathleen Mackey, Mullinakill

**Rosbercon:** Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July at 11:00 am

George Peters Jnr., Slievecorragh

### Collection of Parish Funds 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> June 2024

**Offertory Collection** € 428.00

**Weekly Envelopes** € 996.40

**Cemetery Masses** € 2,650.00

**Parish Debt on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2024** € 17,853.60

**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.

### Reflection: The Slow Work of God

Above all, trust in the slow work of God.

We are quite naturally impatient.

We want to reach the end without delay...

We should like to skip the intermediate stages.

We are impatient of being on the way to something unknown,

Something new

And yet it is the law of all progress:

That there are many stages of instability...

And these may take a very long time....

And so, it is with us.

Our ideas mature gradually;

Let them grow, let them shape themselves,

Without undue haste

Don't try to force them on,

As though we could be today what time

Will make of us tomorrow

Only God can say what this new spirit

Gradually forming within us will become.

Give Our Lord the benefit of our believing

That his hand is leading us, shaping us.

Help us to accept the anxiety

Of feeling ourselves in suspense and incomplete

**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.

**To make you Smile:** A priest said to a bride who was holding up

a sozzled groom at the altar: 'Take him away and bring him back

when he's sober.' 'But father' she replied 'when he's sober he

won't come.'

'Behind every great man is an exhausted woman'.

*Lady Fairbairn (1994)*

**Humour:** 'An hour of this rain' said the farmer, 'will do more

good in five minutes than a month of it would do in a week at

any other time'.

### ◆ SOUTH KILKENNY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Members of the South Kilkenny Historical Society will join locals and others, on Sunday July 14<sup>th</sup>, for the annual climb of Tory Hill on Fraochan Sunday. This ancient tradition pre-dates Christianity and is associated with the ancient festival of Lughnasa. John Dwyer, who has written extensively on Pilgrim Paths of Ireland, will give a talk, on the summit of the hill, on the traditions associated with Fraochan Sunday and mass will be celebrated, by the Bishop of Ossory Dr. Niall Coll, at 3:30 pm.

### ◆ TULLOGHER ROSBERCON DEVELOPMENT DRAW

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

### ◆ 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 7<sup>th</sup> 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 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](mailto:rosberconparish@gmail.com). Department

of Social Protection, Community Employment Terms and

Conditions Apply. See (<http://www.welfare.ie>)

### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

May your week be filled with good thoughts, kind people and happy moments.

**\*\*PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO NEWSLETTER PUBLISHED THE WEEKEND OF THE 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> JULY 2024. \*\***

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