

# ROSBERCON PARISH NEWSLETTER 9th June 2024

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## Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

One of the things that bring good projects to a bad end is when divisions occur. I myself am a divided kingdom. The good that I want to do I do not do; the evil I want to avoid I find myself doing. The Lord will heal the division within me.

**Theme of the Weekend Readings:** The healing of a leper in the gospel is the key idea in the readings.

**First Reading:** We see the consequences of sin. Man and woman become divided and both lose their intimacy with God.

**Second Reading:** Saint Paul says that when our life on earth is ended, there is a house built by God for us in heaven.

**Gospel:** Mark highlights the frustrations that Jesus has to contend with.

### Weekend Masses:

Saturday 15th June: No Mass

Sunday 16th June: 9.30am in Mullinarrigle  
11.00am Mass in Rosbercon

### Weekday Masses:

Rosbercon

Wednesday 12th June: 10am Mass

Friday 14th June: 10am 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 10.30am to 12pm. All are welcome to attend.

### Anniversaries:

Helen Birmingham, South Knock, New Ross

Maisie and Frankie O Neill, Charleton Hill

John Joe Lewis, Assumption Terrace, Rosbercon

Mary Saunders, Ballyneale

We welcome into our Parish Community James Berry, son of Jimmy and Bridget, Raheen, who was baptised in the Church of the Assumption, Rosbercon on Monday 3rd June 2024.

We wish every blessing to Caroline Boland, Kilbrahan and Alan Ronan, New Ross, who were married in the Church of the Assumption, Rosbercon, on Saturday 1st June 2024. May they enjoy a long and rewarding married life.

**A Message from Fr Dan:** Building Bridges; There is an ancient story told of two brothers, John and James who owned farms side by side. Over 50 years they worked their fields' together, shared knowledge and produce, and lent a helping hand to one another in times of need. One day, a foolish argument broke out between the brothers and caused a rift between them. This was the first serious disagreement the brothers ever had in all of their time together. The rift began over a small misunderstanding, which can sometimes happen. However, the dispute was not resolved and dragged on over a period of time. With time there was an angry exchange of words, followed by weeks of silence. Things took a very bad turn when James, the younger brother changed the stream's path, making it into a solid border between the two farms.

The elder brother, John, was furious and he resolved to make the barrier between the two farms even more permanent. He went to see an old bearded carpenter who was a friend of the family for many years. He said to the carpenter, "You have known us over fifty years. Have you seen what my brother has done to the stream between our farms. By diverting the stream, James has damaged my farm and I want to teach him a lesson. You see those trees over by the barn? I want you to turn them into a 10-foot-tall fence. I never want to see his face again."

The old carpenter thought quietly to himself for a few minutes, remembering his friendship with both brothers and eventually said: "I see". The elder brother helped the carpenter carry his tools to the wood, and then drove into town. When he came home in the evening, the old carpenter had finished his work.

The elder brother walked down to the stream and was stunned by what he saw. He couldn't say a single word. Where the fence, he ordered should have been standing, a new bridge now stood. It was a well-constructed bridge, a work of art, with carved banister. At the same time, the younger brother happened to come to the same spot. When he saw the bridge he ran across and embraced his older brother, and said: "You're something special... building a bridge, after all I've said and done!"

While both brothers were hugging, the old carpenter collected his tools and started walking home. The brothers turned to him and said "Please, stay for a while as we are going to have a bit of a celebration.". But the carpenter just smiled and said enjoy your celebration and realize how much you love one another. You have learned to forgive and appreciate what you have. That is enough for me.

**Change:** The past cannot be changed, but the future can be. No disagreement should spoil a loving relationship. It is just a matter of learning how to build our bridges.

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**Fr Dan will celebrate the Golden Jubilee of his Ordination** with a Mass of Thanksgiving on Friday 28th June at 7.30pm 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 are available this weekend. The usual distributors are asked to oblige.

During Masses this week we pray for the students taking Public Examinations. May the Holy Spirit be their strength and guide at this time.

#### **Mass Intentions for Sunday 16th June 2024**

##### **Rosbercon:**

Jim Vereker, Assumption Terrace  
Patrick and Betty McDonald, Ballyneale

##### **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.

**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: At the baptism of her son, a Dublin mother told the priest, 'We are calling him Christy father, because he was born on Corpus Christi'!!

##### **Reflection:** The 'Loser's' Blessing

Lord, bless the folk who never quite got there;  
The people who intended something fine.  
The folk who might have lived a better, nobler existence;  
The ones who somehow always failed to shine.

The people who tried to keep their temper;  
And yet who seemed to lose it all the more.  
The one's who haven't made their name in business;  
Who should be rich but always will be poor.

The folk who aren't as clever as they might be;  
Who aren't as good and feel their efforts vain.  
Lord, bless all these -and me among them  
And give us all the heart to try again.

Fr Ronan Drury RIP

##### **Prayer for Exams**

O God of Wisdom, I thank you for the knowledge gained and the learning experiences I have received.  
I come to You this day and ask you to illuminate my mind and heart.  
Let your Holy Spirit be with me as I take my exams, guiding my thoughts and giving me insight so that I can perform to the best of my ability.  
Please grant me the strength to handle the pressure of these final days,  
the confidence to feel secure in my knowledge,  
and the ability to keep an appropriate perspective through it all.  
Help me to keep in mind what is truly important, even as I focus my time and energy on these tests.  
Finally, may I sense your peace in knowing that I applied myself to the challenges of this day.  
I ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

##### **Collection of Parish Funds 25th/26th May & 1st/2nd June 2024:**

Offertory Collection:	€772.00
Weekly Envelopes:	€1176.00
Parish Debt on 5th June 2024:	€19,353.60

##### **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:** "I think it must be somewhere written that the virtues of the mothers shall be visited on their children as well as the sins of the fathers. (Charles Dickens)

**Humour:** There's a way of transferring funds that is even quicker than electronic banking – it's called rearing a family!

##### **Tullagher Rosbercon GAA Club Golf Classic**

The club will host this significant fundraiser on Friday 21/06/2024 in New Ross Golf Club. You can support our club by :

- entering a team of 4 x players for €160.00
- Sponsoring a prize (amount at your discretion)
- Sponsoring a green for €100.00
- Sponsoring a tee box for €100.00

All are welcome to attend. Please contact Sean Meaney on 083 3076881 [secretary.tullagherrosbercon.kilkenny@gaa.ie](mailto:secretary.tullagherrosbercon.kilkenny@gaa.ie) for further info.

##### **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.

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