

# ROSBERCON PARISH NEWSLETTER 28th July 2024

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## SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Christ fed the hungry, and did so with great generosity. Here he feeds us with the food of the Eucharist. Christ invites us to receive this precious food and we receive it at today's Mass.

**Theme of the Weekend Readings:** God feeds his people with food for body and spirit.

**First Reading:** The prophet Elisha insists that the people be fed and God works a miracle.

**Second Reading:** Paul calls Christians to unity and charity.

**Gospel:** Jesus feeds the five thousand.

### Weekend Masses:

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> August: 7.00pm Mass in Tullogher  
Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August: 9.30am Mass in Mullinarrigle  
11.00am Mass in Rosbercon

### Weekday Masses:

**Rosbercon:**  
Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> July: 10.00am Mass  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August: 10.00am 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 noon. All are welcome to attend.

### Recent Deaths

Jimmy Hanrahan, New Ross.

### Anniversaries

Kitty Lawlor, School House Road.  
Maura and Walter Ryan, Listerlin  
John and Mary Grennan, Ballycurran.  
Simon Kennedy, Ballymagill and deceased members of the Kennedy family.  
Sonny, Thomas and Packie Long, Ballalog  
John Cullen, Garranbehy.

Many congratulations to **Heather Peacock** and **Dylan Brambley, Lacken Valley, New Ross**, who were married in the Church of Assumption, Rosbercon, on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2024. We pray that Our Lord will bless their marriage and grant them happiness.

Sincere thanks to all who contributed so generously to the **Annual Summer Collection Envelopes**. Outstanding envelopes may be handed in to the Parochial House or placed in the locked box at the back of the Church.

## A Message from Fr Dan: World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly, Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July:

In July 2021 **Pope Francis** established a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which was celebrated for the first time on Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> July 2021 when Pope Francis celebrated Mass in Rome.

During the Mass, Pope Francis reminded us that grandparents and the elderly deserve our respect and praise. Among the greatest people we are likely to meet in our lives could be our own grandparents. Throughout their lives they had to endure war, shortages, scarcity and hours of hard tedious work. Times were tough in many different ways. Grandparents sacrificed everything to take care of their families and gave their children better lives than they themselves had. For their grandchildren they are caregivers, teachers and playmates. They are trusted advisors for their adult children who are now parents themselves.

For many families, grandparents provide regular child care. In some cases, they are primary caregivers to their grandchildren. They are a valuable resource because they have so many stories and experiences from their own lives to share. Children understand more of who they are and where they come from, through their connection with their grandparents. Grandparents can get away with a little spoiling, which gives them a special place in a child's heart, and they tell the best stories!!

On **Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> July** we celebrated the Feast of Saint Joachim and Saint Anne, parents of Our Lady and grandparents of Jesus.

**Prayer:** God of love, we thank you for our wonderful grandparents. They bring such joy and happiness into our lives. Thank you for all the special times that we have with them. Please watch over them, protect them and care for them now. May they know your goodness and love always.  
*(From the Ennis Newsletter – Adapted)*

### Discovering one's own riches

In my life I have lived on the shady side of the road  
I have watched my neighbours' gardens across the way  
Revelling in the sunshine.  
I felt I was poor and needed my neighbours' help  
And from door to door, I went in my need  
Asking for help.  
The more people gave me from their abundance,  
The more I became aware of my beggar's bowl.  
Till one morning I awoke from my sleep  
At the sudden knocking at my door  
And you came and asked for alms.  
I broke open the lid of my chest at your request  
And was startled to find within that I possessed wealth.

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**Mass Intentions for Sat/Sunday  
3rd/4th August 2024**

**Saturday 3rd August Tullogher**

Joan and Tim Roche, Curraghlane, Tullogher

The **Cemeteries** of our parish are sacred places which hold the remains of our beloved dead. Many thanks to all those who care for their graves. Your work is very much appreciated.

**Alice O'Neill** from Tinneranny has published her memoir 'More Precious Than Gold' about the scholarship she won to study in USA after her Leaving Cert in Our Lady of Lourdes School Rosbercon. She will be signing copies of the book in the Dunbrody Centre New Ross on Saturday 27th July 11-5. All are welcome.

**Collection of Parish Funds 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> July 2024:**

**Offertory Collection:** € 777.70

**Weekly Envelopes:** €1072.00

**Parish Debt on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2024:** €17,853.60

**Reflection: Prayer of Pope Francis for Grandparents**

Dear Grandmother, Dear grandfather,  
May our Lord, Jesus Christ be always close to you.  
We thank you for all you have contributed to life and  
for the gifts you continue to give to your families  
And to our community.

We pray that your closeness to God will bring you  
The health and the strength you need to continue  
Your journey on the road of life.

May you continue to enjoy your life, your work,  
And your prayers.

May your memories always be happy and may you  
Achieve your dreams for the future.

One day we will all be united in God's Kingdom,  
Through Christ Our Lord, Amen

**Tour de Kilkenny Cycle Event**

**Tullogher / Rosbercon GAA Club** would like to welcome the Marble City Cycles to the parish on Saturday 3rd August. Refreshment Stop in Tullogher / Rosbercon GAA grounds. In the interest of safety we would appeal to all road users to be extra careful between 10.00 am and 2 pm on the day. We would appreciate your cooperation.

**Wisdom:** "No one is rich enough to do without a neighbour."

**Humour:** When it comes to staying young, a mind-lift beats a face-lift any day

**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 VINTAGE DAY**

The Tullogher Rosbercon Vintage Day will be held on Sunday 28th July at Rosbercon Parish Hall and Sports Centre from 12:00 noon. A great family day out, All Welcome to attend. For more information please contact: P.J.—087 7982118, Fergus—087 6746216 or Liz—087 6372733.

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

Rosbercon Community Employment Scheme has the following Vacancies:

2 x Activities Assistant in New Houghton Hospital

1 x Groundsman/Caretaker in Tullogher GAA

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>)

Please book all **Baptisms, Anniversary Masses and other Church related ceremonies** with Anne in the Parish Office, situated in the Parochial House. The phone number is 051-421515. The office hours are Monday to Thursday 10:30 am to 2:30 pm. **The Community Employment Office will continue to be located at Raheen, Rosbercon.** Phone 051-425093: Office Hours Monday to Thursday, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm  
Email: rosberconparish@gmail.com  
Website: [www.rosberconparish.ie](http://www.rosberconparish.ie)

**The Adult Learning Service**, 43, Patrick St. Kilkenny, R95PNX2, is **holding an Open Day**, on Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> August 2024 from 10am - 3pm. We wish to welcome the community to come to see our facilities, to chat to us about our programmes. All are welcome.

All the classes are FREE and include:

- Certified QQI awards from levels 1-4 and uncertified courses
- Small friendly group and one-to-one classes available
- Classes can be held in outreach centres in local communities
- Some of the classes we offer are improving reading, writing and maths skills.
- We also offer classes in Computer Skills, Smart Technology, Family Learning, Driver theory and English language classes.

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