

# Easter Blessings to all

## ROSBERCON PARISH NEWSLETTER 20TH APRIL 2025

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### Easter Sunday

Easter Day is the greatest day in the Church's calendar. Jesus has overcome death, not only for himself, but for all of us. The Easter joy that death had been conquered fills all the earth. Let us open our hearts to receive this great joy.

**Theme of the Weekend Readings:** On Easter morning we celebrate the core of our faith. Jesus who died is now risen.

**First Reading:** Saint Peter tells the story of the resurrection of Jesus and its consequences.

**Second Reading:** Saint Paul tells us that we, too, share the glory of Christ.

**Gospel:** Saint John's description of the resurrection of Jesus.

#### Weekend Masses:

Sunday 27th April: 9.30am Mass in Mullinarrigle  
11.00am Mass in Rosbercon

#### Weekday Masses:

Rosbercon

Wednesday 23rd April: No Mass

Friday 25th April: 10am Mass

All Masses from Rosbercon Church will be streamed live through our webcam on [www.rosberconparish.ie](http://www.rosberconparish.ie)

#### Recent Deaths:

Billy Croke, Brownsford, Tullogher

#### Anniversaries:

Ann Ryan, Listerlin

Larry Leacy, Ballyeden

Kerrin Repman, New Ross & Essex, UK

Jim & Christina Fitzgerald, Coolnahaw

Christy Fitzgerald, Coolnahaw & deceased members of the Fitzgerald & Dollard families

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.

We welcome into our Parish Community **Margaret Mag Berry**, daughter of Andrew and Mary, Raheen, Rosbercon who was baptised in the Church of the Assumption, Rosbercon on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2025. Also, Ollie **Patrick O'Leary**, son of Devon and Christina, Barrett's Park, who was baptised in the Church of the Assumption, Rosbercon on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2025.

**The Lent and Easter Offering Envelopes**, are due to be returned on Easter Sunday. Fr Dan thanks you most sincerely for your continued generosity.

**Safeguarding Training 2025:** There will be an 'Introduction to Safeguarding and a Refresher Session' held in Slieverue Parish Hall, Slieverue, on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April from 7.30-9.30pm. This session will be led by Ailish Higgins, Director of Safeguarding & DLP with the Diocese of Ossory. All Parish volunteers are invited to attend. Please contact our Safeguarding Reps Anne or Brid to book your place if you wish to attend.

**Trocaire Boxes and Envelopes:** We hope to send your Trocaire contributions to the Diocesan Office in early May. If you have a Trócaire box in your house, we respectfully suggest that you might be so kind as to bring it to the church or to the Parochial House. Your generosity to the poorest of the poor is very much appreciated

**A Message from Fr Dan: Easter 2025:** In the Easter Season the Readings at the weekend Masses focus on the Mission of the followers of Jesus. At first, they had failed to grasp the meaning of Jesus' life, death and resurrection. Once the truth dawned on them, they felt duty bound to share their faith with others. When they find their courage, the Apostles proclaimed fearlessly that the Risen Jesus is Lord of the World.

For some their message was very welcome. For the Jewish authorities, however, their message was going too far, to such an extent that the Apostles needed to be silenced. The Apostles were punished, imprisoned, and warned not to speak 'in the name of Jesus'. Despite this, they preached with enthusiasm, urgency and daily, we are told, people are added to their number.

Where did they get this courage? The answer, it seems, comes from the many occasions Jesus appeared to them after his resurrection. His greeting was always, 'Peace be with you' and, on most occasions he shared food with them. Often, they came to recognize him in the very sharing of food, 'the breaking of bread'.

Like the Apostles, we need to find the courage to be people of faith and hope? Where are we to find the courage? We need to spend time with the Risen Jesus and allow him to reveal himself to us. In these Easter days – we allow some time and space each day for Jesus to reveal himself to us and to encourage us.

From the Ennis Parish Newsletter – Adapted.

**Easter Wishes:** Fr Dan thanks all parishioners for the many wonderful ways that we journey together throughout the year. He thanks those who have continued to be so generous to our parish and to him over so many years. May we continue to pray for and support for each other.

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## **Mass Intentions for Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> April 2025:**

**Mullinarrigle:** Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April at 9.30am:

### **Months Mind:**

Ray Shannon, Glenpipe

**Rosbercon:** Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April at 11.00am:

Rita Meagher, School House Road

Brendan Connick, Glenmore

### **Dates for you Diary:**

#### **Dates of Cemetery Masses in Rosbercon Parish, 2025:**

Tuesday, 17 <sup>th</sup> June:	Ballyneale Cemetery
Friday, 20 <sup>th</sup> June:	Rosbercon New Cemetery
Tuesday, 24 <sup>th</sup> June:	Shanbogh Cemetery
Thursday, 26 <sup>th</sup> June:	Listerlin Old Cemetery (Rosary-No Mass)
Tuesday, 1 <sup>st</sup> July:	Rosbercon Old Cemetery
Friday, 4 <sup>th</sup> July:	Mullinarrigle Cemetery
Sunday, 24 <sup>th</sup> August:	St Moling's Well

#### **All Evening Masses at 7.30pm and Sunday Masses at 2.00pm**

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.

#### **The Effects of the Resurrection on the First Followers of Jesus:**

The men and women that went to the tomb and found the Risen Christ in the garden were amazed and reinvigorated.

The two Disciples who returned from Emmaus could hardly contain their excitement. Peter and John, when they came back from the garden, like the others, began to spread this amazement. Our community is built on the hope that comes from the Risen Lord. Transcending all the messy sin, all the scandals, all the weak leadership and poor discipleship we need to discover and recognise the Risen Jesus and be amazed by him and like Peter spread this amazement.

#### **Reflection: Death Overcome:**

As long as the sun comes over the hills,  
scatters the darkness, and fills the world with light:  
as long as the fields get green again,  
and the primroses and violets return;  
as long as the trees fill up again with leaves,  
there is hope for us and for the world.  
So come, let us follow the footsteps of spring,  
for the snow has melted,  
and life is awakening from its sleep  
and wanders through the hills and valleys.  
Come, let us ascend the heights  
and gaze upon the waving greenness of the plains below.  
O Come, let us rejoice on this Easter Day,  
for death has folded up its tent and gone away

**Wisdom:** "Our Lord has written the promise of the resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime."

**Humour:** Years ago, we discovered the exact point, the dead centre of middle age. It occurs when you are too young to take up golf and too old to rush to the goal!

## **To make you Smile:**

Someone asked God whether he would see his loved ones in heaven. God replied, 'You'd better be prepared – not only your loved ones'.

No one gives you a black eye: You have to fight for it!

### **Tullogher/Rosbercon Vintage Club**

Will hold their vintage show and field day on Sunday the 27<sup>th</sup> of April at the Rosbercon Parish Centre. A great family day out! Celebrating 47 years of Ford Fiesta.

### **GTR COMMUNITY GAMES - ATHLETICS & FIELD EVENTS**

**Venue:** Rosbercon Parish Grounds, Raheen, Rosbercon, Y34TK33.

**Date & Time:** 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2025 at 6.30 p.m.

**Eligibility:** Must reside in Glenmore, Tullogher or Rosbercon.

**Cost:** €2.00 per participant or €5.00 per participating family (cash only). Spectators - Free.

#### **List of events:**

Under 6 - Tiny Tots Fun Race  
Under 8 and over 6 – 60m and 80m  
Under 10 and over 8 – 100m and 200m  
Under 12 and over 10 – 100m, 200m, 600m / Long Jump / Ball Throw / Long Puck (boys only)  
Under 14 and over 12 – 100m, 200m, 800m / Long Jump / Shot Putt / Long Puck (girls only)  
Under 16 and over 14 – 100m, 200m, 1500m

#### **Birthdate ranges for Community Games:**

- Under 8 → Born August 1, 2017 – July 31, 2019
- Under 10 → Born August 1, 2015 – July 31, 2017
- Under 12 → Born August 1, 2013 – July 31, 2015
- Under 14 → Born August 1, 2011 – July 31, 2013
- Under 16 → Born August 1, 2009 – July 31, 2011

#### **Other Important Dates:**

- **County final:** 24<sup>th</sup> May 2025, Watershed, Kilkenny, R95HFH1
- **Regional final:** 9<sup>th</sup> August 2025, TUS Clonmel, E91D896
- **National final:** 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> August 2025, SETU Carlow, R93AYW

### **New Ross Drama Workshop**

**Proudly Presents—A View From The Bridge By Arthur Miller**

Directed by Margaret Rossiter

**Venue:** St. Michaels Theatre

**Dates:** Wednesday 30th April/Thursday 1st May/Friday 2nd May

**Times:** 7:30 pm

**Cost:** €15

Can be booked on the theatre website or phone 051-421255.

### **South Kilkenny Historical Society lecture**

Bridget Aylward, Queen of Alaska: South Kilkenny Connections

**Speaker:** Bridie Kineavy

**Date& Time:** Friday, 25th April 2025 at 8pm

**Venue:** Mullinavat Parish Hall (opposite St. Beacon's church)

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