

# ROSBERCON PARISH NEWSLETTER 18th May 2025

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## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

‘Love one another as I have loved you.’ Of all the commandments Christ gave us, this is the most wonderful. It includes all the others. The only failure in the life of a Christian is the failure to love. Let us think about the people whom we find difficult to take into our hearts and ask the Lord to help us to be more loving towards them.

### Theme of the Weekend Readings

We continue to reflect on the resurrection of Jesus.

### First Reading

Paul and Barnabas, complete their missionary journey, encouraging their converts to persevere.

### Second Reading

St. John’s vision of the New Jerusalem, where there will be no more sadness or mourning.

**Gospel**—Jesus instructs his followers to love one another.

### Weekend Masses

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May—9:30 am Mass in Mullinarrigle

11:00 am Mass in Rosbercon

### Weekday Masses

#### Rosbercon

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May—10:00 am Mass

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May—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.

### Anniversaries

Denis and Katty Power, Darbystown and deceased members of the Power and Tobin families.

Maisie, Frank and Thomas O Neill, Charlton Hill.

Many thanks to all who took part in the in **the Holy Communion Ceremonies** in Rosbercon last weekend; Special thanks to the Teachers, Choir, Readers and to those who decorated the Church. We wish all the children happiness in their lives.

**A Message from Fr. Dan: The Light of Easter:** We are very fortunate that in our lifetime we enjoy a quality of life which would have been unthinkable a few generations ago. We have an abundance of material goods. We have an ease of communication that has made the world into a global village. We have seen stunning scientific and technological developments that have changed every aspect of our lives.

Yet, the problems of life and how people across the world relate to each other are as far from being solved as ever. The violence and brutality of the wars in Gaza and the Ukraine are truly a wakeup call as to what can happen in the twenty first century. For all of us, issues such as Covid, the cost of living and insecurity about the future are factors in our lives. Materialism has taken hold of peoples’ imaginations and the spiritual values that sustained our people for generations are losing their hold.

The result of this is that more and more people are suffering from stress related illnesses especially depression. Doctors and psychologists are concerned that the silent victims of the darkness of depression are reluctant to come forward to seek help and suffer in silence. Sharing our problems with those close to is a great help. For many, having a friend who listens is the first step to a more healthy and happy life.

The Easter Season, which celebrates the life, death and resurrection of Jesus is a constant source of hope and encouragement. The coming of summer gives us some leisure and provides an opportunity for us to grow in our relationship with God. Summer offers us a chance to spend more time with God in prayer. We are invited to be still. Out in nature, we come to know God as our Creator. Jesus himself sought out quiet places in the outdoors to pray. For those who prefer indoors he suggested that we “go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in that secret place...”

We find God every day in what we see, hear and understand but we experience God at a much deeper level when we halt our activities to pray in silence.

### Reflection: Going Home

Going to Heaven! I don’t know when,

Pray do not ask me how.

Going to Heaven! How dim, it sounds!

and yet it will be done, as sure as the flocks go home at night  
Unto the shepherd’s arm.

If you should get there first, save just a little place for me  
close to the two I lost.

The smallest ‘robe’ will fit me, And just a bit of a ‘crown’;

For you know we do not mind our dress

When we are going home.

*Emily Dickenson*

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## Mass Intentions for Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> May 2025

**Mullinarrigle:** Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May at 9:30 am

Bernard (Barney) Malone, Brownsford

Jimmy Malone, Brownsford

Anna and Martin Woods, Ballymartin

**Rosbercon:** Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May at 11:00 am

Con, Rena and Michael Ryan, Schoolhouse Road

Philip Wall, Rosbercon

Cathy Doran, Maiden Lane, New Ross

### 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 7:30 pm and Sunday Masses at 2:00 pm**

Please note the change of time for evening services.

#### **Collection of Parish Funds 4<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

**Offertory Collection** € 1,712.50

**Weekly Envelopes** € 1,170.00

**Trocaire** € 1,245.00

**Parish Debt on 14<sup>th</sup> May 2025** € 13,353.60

**Trocaire Boxes and Envelopes:** We hope to send your Trocaire contributions to the Diocesan Office by mid-May. So far, we have received €1,245.00 for which we thank you most sincerely. If you see 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 poor is appreciated.

Sincere thanks to all who contributed so generously to the **Easter Offerings**. Outstanding envelopes may be handed in at the weekend Masses or to the Parish Office.

**Wisdom:** "Though character may be shown in the big moments, it is in the small moments that it is made"

**Humour:** The priest was visiting the school and asked the class 'With what weapon did David slay the Philistines.' Up came one small hand 'Please, Father, 'twas the axe of the Apostles.'

**Rosbercon Parish Safeguarding Representatives** are Brid Vereker and Anne O' Sullivan. If you have a Safeguarding concern, contact Brid or Anne.

### **In Memory of my mother**

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 sycamore  
and your loving heart lying in wait.

You will know I am coming, though I sent 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.

Patrick Kavanagh

### ◆ **RONAN TYNAN and CIARAN POWER CONCERT**

Dr. Ronan Tynan and Ciaran Power in concert also featuring New York pianist Bill Lewis in Campile Hall on Saturday night the 27<sup>th</sup> September 2025. For tickets or more informations please contact 087—2183300 and also available on Eventbrite.

### ◆ **GLENMORE PANTOMIME SOCIETY**

Glenmore Pantomime Society would like you to join them for Open Workshops. We are thrilled to kick off our next exciting project by inviting you to special workshops - a chance to meet the production team, get a feel for the show and find out how you can get involved. Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May Adult Workshop 7:00 pm to 21:00 pm. Includes refreshments € 10.00, open to all adults interested in being part of the production. Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> May and Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May Youth Workshop from 10:00 am to 16:00 pm both days. For young people aged 8 to 18—€ 40.00 per child. Concessions for more than 2 from the one family. Twelve hours of creativity, activities, and introductions to the world of show. Booking is essential as places are limited. Come along, meet the team and find out how you can be part of something amazing. Please email [glenmorepantosociety@gmail.com](mailto:glenmorepantosociety@gmail.com)

### ◆ **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

**Project Worker** required in St. Michael's Theatre.

Duties include maintaining sets and props, setting up the stage and meeting rooms for various groups and minor maintenance. This is a developmental opportunity, no experience necessary. Accredited training will be provided to support your career. Community Employment Terms and conditions apply. For more information please contact 086—3642592.

**Activities Assistant** required in the New Houghton Hospital.

Duties include providing residents with activities such as music, art and physical movement. Working as part of a multi-disciplinary team. This is a developmental opportunity, no experience necessary. Accredited training will be provided to support your career. Community Employment Terms and conditions apply. For more information please contact 086—3642592.

### ◆ **SOUTH KILKENNY HISTORICAL SOCIETY COACH TRIP**

South Kilkenny Historical Society Coach Trip to Clonmel and Fethard, Co. Tipperary Coach Trip to Clonmel and Fethard, Co. Tipperary on Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup> 2025. Cost - € 70.00 for members and € 75.00 for those who are not paid up members for 2025. The cost includes coach hire, entrance to Clonmel Museum, guided tours of Clonmel and Fethard and an evening meal at Barne Lodge, Clonmel. It does not include the cost of lunch. The coach will depart Main Street, Mullinavat at 8:30 am, returning at approximately 10pm. For further information on booking places for the Coach Trip please contact Brigid Barron, Blossom Hill, Kilmacow, Co. Kilkenny (087 9507295, [brigidbarron@hotmail.com](mailto:brigidbarron@hotmail.com)) or Mary Ryan, 'Gort Glas', Aglish, Carrigeen, Co. Kilkenny (086 3790655, [maryearyan@gmail.com](mailto:maryearyan@gmail.com)). A € 20.00 non-refundable deposit, per person will apply.

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