

ROSBERCON PARISH NEWSLETTER 16th November 2025

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THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

As Christians, we are followers of Christ. We do our best to witness to the life and teaching of Christ in our daily lives; especially his message of unconditional love. To be good and faithful witnesses we need help from on high. Therefore, it is to God we now turn for the courage and strength we need.

Theme of the Weekend Readings

The readings focus on the end of the world and Christ's second coming.

First Reading

The early Christians believed that the end of the world was near.

Second Reading—We are reminded of the value of work.

Gospel

The early persecution of Christians felt like the end of the world. and the second coming of Christ.

Weekend Masses

Sunday 23rd November 9:30 am Mass in Mullinarrigle
11:00 am Mass in Rosbercon

All Masses from Rosbercon Church will be streamed live through our webcam on www.rosberconparish.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—12:30 pm Email:rosberconparish@gmail.com Website: www.rosberconparish.ie

Recent Death

Barry Ronan, Rosbercon

Anniversaries

John Walsh, Waterford Road
Noel Banville, Shanbogh

A Message from Fr. Dan: Hope

Desmond Tutu said, "Hope is being able to see that there is light despite all of the darkness." You don't get out of bed in the morning without hope. We have hope in many things. Hope in God, hope in family, hope that our efforts will bear fruit, hope we'll overcome a sickness, hope that life holds beauty, hope our children will live well.... Hope is the reason we keep on, keeping on.

Through the many dark times that come in every person's life, light will always prevail as long as that person keeps hope alive in her heart. Life is hard and there will always be dark times, but in the end, the light always prevails.

We continue to face many challenges: the rise in the cost of living, the winter weather, the shortages caused by the war in Ukraine, the confusion and fear caused by illness. To come through, people need to have the light of hope.

We remember that through all the challenges of life, God is always with us. Jesus gives us great hope when he tells us, "I am the light of the World. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life". We pray that the light of Christ will dwell in our hearts and minds giving us the hope to go on.

(From Ennis Parish Newsletter) Adapted.

'Love and Power'

"What is love but a face, instantly recognisable in a sea of faces? A spotlight rather than a panning shot. This is very different to power, which is a matter of numbers, of crowd scenes. I heard of an inscription on a stone set up in North Africa over two thousand years ago which reads: 'I, the captain of a legion of Rome, have learned and pondered the truth, that there are in life two things, love and power, and no man can have both.' Some twenty centuries later I add my own name to that inscription".
Malcolm Muggeridge

The End of Time

When we hear of the end times, we naturally tend to be fearful. But because of our faith in the life, death and resurrection of Christ we are a spiritual people living in a sense beyond time. We are near the kingdom of God, Eternal Time. We live in a world of deadlines, schedules and time frames. Knowing Christ, our time is not the only time where we are at home. We are at home beyond time, in the eternity of God's kingdom which Christ has prepared.

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR SUNDAY, 23RD NOVEMBER 2025

Mullinarrigle: Sunday 23rd November at 9:30 am

John and Mary Fripps, Mooncoin

Jimmy Phelan, Smithstown

Rosbercon: Sunday 23rd November at 11:00 am

Matt, Nora and Luke Cody, Ballyrue, New Ross

John Cody, Ballyrue and Tús Nua, New Ross

Monica Whitty, Glenbarra

We thank all who have contributed so generously to the October Stations and November Offerings. Outstanding envelopes may be handed in at Mass or to the Parochial House.

Reflection: The Dead

They do not leave us; they are not gone.

They look upon us still.

They walk among the valleys now,

They stride upon the hill.

Their smile is in the summer sky

Their grace is in the breeze.

Their memories whisper in the grass

Their calm is in the trees.

Their light is in the winter snow

Their tears are in the rain.

Their merriment runs in the brook

Their laughter in the lane

Their gentleness is in the flowers

They sigh in autumn leaves.

They do not leave; they are not gone,

Tis only we who grieve.

Wisdom

Who does not thank for little, will not thank for much'.

Humour

A Religion teacher asked her children to take some time on Sunday afternoon following Mass to write a letter to God. They were to bring their letters back the following morning. One little boy wrote 'Dear God, we had a good time at Church today. Wish you could have been there!'

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

◆ TULLOGHER ROSBERCON GAA CLUB AGM

The Tullogher Rosbercon GAA Club AGM will take place on Friday 5th December at 8:00 pm in the Club House. **(Note change of date)**

◆ TULLOGHER GLENMORE PLOUGHING ASSOCIATION

The Tullogher Glenmore Ploughing Association are hosting a Presentation night for ploughing competitors taking place on Friday 28th November in the Glen Bar at 9pm. There will be music and a raffle on the night and all are welcome to attend.

◆ TULLOGHER CAMOGIE CLUB AGM

Tullogher Camogie Club are holding their AGM on Monday 17th November in the Clubhouse commencing at 8:00 pm. All are very welcome to attend, especially new members who would like to get involved.

◆ ST. CANICE'S NATIONAL SCHOOL ENROLMENT

St. Canice's National School, Rosbercon is now taking applications for enrolment for Junior Infants 2026. An application form for enrolment is available by phoning the school at 051 422813 or by

Emailing; secretary@stcanicesns.com

◆ TULLOGHER/ ROSBERCON VINTAGE CLUB

The Tullogher Rosbercon Vintage Club will hold their Annual Christmas Dinner Dance on Saturday 6th December at New Ross Golf Club. Music by Pat Cooney. Tickets € 25.00. For tickets and more information please contact Bob 086-1060689.

◆ SOUTH KILKENNY HISTORICAL SOCIETY LECTURE

The Irish Legal System before and since Independence

Speaker: Thomas Teehan (retired judge)

Date: Thursday, 27th November 2025

Time: 8:00 pm

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

◆ AGE FRIENDLY CREATIVE CONNECTION WORKSHOPS

Kilkenny Age Friendly Programme in conjunction with Creative Ireland and Kilkenny Carlow ETB are hosting a series of FREE creative workshops throughout the month of November in Kilkenny. These sessions are a great opportunity to learn new skills, explore creativity, and connect with others in your community.

Booking Information

Places are limited, and booking is essential.

Email: agefriendlykilkenny@kilkennycoco.ie

Phone: 056 7794920 - ask for the Age Friendly section.

Mullinavat Community Centre—Tuesdays at 2:00 p m—4:30 pm

18th Nov – Smartphone Workshop
(WhatsApp messaging & video calling)

25th Nov – Art & Crafts Workshop

Thomastown Community Centre—Wednesdays at 9:30 am— 12:30 pm

19th Nov – Art & Crafts Workshop

26th Nov – Drawing Workshop

◆ MICHAEL ENGLISH CONCERT

Michael English and guest artist Louise Morrissey will be appearing in concert in Campile Hall on Sunday 29th March 2026 at 8:00 pm. An ideal Christmas present. For more information and tickets please contact 087-2183300. Tickets are also available on Eventbrite.

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