

ROSBERCON PARISH NEWSLETTER 23rd November 2025

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Feast of Christ the King

Today we honour Christ as our King. We honour him best by helping to spread his message of love and forgiveness.

Theme of the Weekend Readings: We celebrate the Feast of Christ Our King remembering that the King's life ended on a cross.

First Reading: The choosing of David as King of Israel.

Second Reading: Jesus is given all the titles of a king.

Gospel: Jesus promises Heaven to the good thief.

Weekend Masses:

Sunday 30th November: 9.30am Mass in Mullinarrigle
11.00am 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

Anniversaries

Bob Saunders, Ballyknock
Jimmy Phelan, Smithstown
John and Mary Fripps, Smithstown
Stasia Lawlor, Glenpipe
Tom Doherty, Listerlin
Monica Whitty, Glenbarra
Matt, Nora and Luke Cody, Ballyrue
John Cody, Ballyrue and Tús Nua, New Ross
Kathleen Murphy, Brownsford
Michael and Jim Maher, Tinneranny

Christmas Reconciliation Services: Confessions for Christmas will be heard after the weekend Masses in Tullogher, Mullinarrigle and Rosbercon on Saturday/Sunday, 6th/7th December and after the remaining weekend Masses of Advent.

A Message from Fr Dan: Christ the King: This weekend we celebrate the feast of Christ the King. An old priest said after the Vatican Council, 'My Christ used to be Christ the King, but now he has to be Christ the Carpenter'. Yet in this Sunday's gospel, Jesus says to Pilate; yes, I am a King. For this I was born and for this I came into the world'.

Today we live in a world of democracy where kings have no place. But the Feast of Christ the King is very important for our times, for his Kingdom and his kingship are totally different from the kingdoms of the world.

Christ is a king who cares. He calls himself the good shepherd who cares for his flock. He searches for us and when he finds us, he keeps us safe from harm. When we stray from him, he comes for us and heals our lives and gives us his strength. Yes, Christ has been immensely good to each one of us. He continually leads us to the right path and accompanies us on our journeys. Christ knows our needs and listens to our prayers. One day he will welcome us into the kingdom of Heaven.

Christ is a king who offers his grace to the world that needs his love so badly. As Pope Francis repeats again and again. Christ offers forgiveness and mercy to his people. He replaces our natural weakness and failings with his greater love, compassion, kindness and courage. He doesn't force us to do anything. He respects our freedom and leaves us to make our own decisions for or against him each day.

Christ's greatest commandment is the commandment to love God, to love ourselves and to love our neighbour. Christ has a special love for the poor, the sick, the lonely and the rejected. He came to serve rather than be served. It is the goodness and sacrifice of his life that persuade us to follow him. We meet Christ in the 'bits and pieces of everyday, a laugh here a kiss again and sometimes tears' As Patrick Kavanagh wrote. 'Christ is the pearl necklace around the neck of poverty'.

Prayer of Saint Jerome: 'Holy Spirit, open my ear to hear Christ's word. Open my mind to understand Christ's message. Open my heart understand Christ's action in my life. May my heart never grow dull, and may my ears be always be listening for the voice of Christ.'

From the Ennis Parish Newsletter (Adapted)

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR SUNDAY, 30TH NOVEMBER 2025

Mullinarrigle: Sunday 30th November at 9:30 am
Margaret (Peg) Ryan, Guilcough Beag

Rosbercon: Sunday 30th November at 11:00 am
Kate Lee, Kilbrahan
Luke Hennessy, Glensensaw
John Dooley, Rosbercon
Joan Hennessy, Rosbercon

Collection of Parish Funds 9th & 16th November 2025:

Offertory Collection: € 571.80
Weekly Envelopes: € 926.20
Parish Debt on 19th November 2025: €10,353.60

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.

Scoil Mholaingne Listerlin NS with the support of Listerlin NS Parents Association, will host a 'Santa Meet and Greet' on Saturday 29th November between 10am-2pm in the School Hall in Scoil Mholaingne, Listerlin. All are welcome: families, friends and extended community. Parents of toddlers/preschool children can book to see Santa through school office: office@listerlinns.com. All money raised are going towards outside cover and sensory stations for outdoor classroom. Thank you all for your support.

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

Reflection

Remembering
Everybody loves to be remembered.
But if we want to be remembered
We have a duty also to remember.

Memory is a powerful thing.
Wrongly used it can bring death rather than life.
Rightly used it is a form of immortality.
It keeps the past alive.

Those we remember never die.
They continue to walk and talk with us.
Their influence is still felt among us.
There is nothing stronger or more helpful
than a good remembrance.
We remember all who have died.
And their memory most definitely brings life to us today.

Wisdom: "There are two educators: the one that teaches us how to make a living and the one that teaches how to live".

Humour: The young boy of sixteen thought his father was so foolish that he could hardly stand to have the old man around. But when he got to twenty-one, he was astonished at how much his father had learned in five years!

♦ 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).

♦ 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.

♦ 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.

Wisdom: 'Who does not thank for little will not thank for much'.

Humour: 'Life is a jest, and all things show it.
I thought so once, but now I know it'.

Inscription on a Tombstone

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