

ROSBERCON PARISH NEWSLETTER 19th April 2026

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Third Sunday of Easter

One of the loveliest stories in the Gospel is the story of how the Risen Jesus joined two of his disciples on the road to Emmaus. He explained the Scriptures to them and revealed himself in the breaking of bread. The same thing happens for us when we celebrate the Eucharist. Jesus speaks to us in the Scriptures and nourished us in Communion.

Theme of the Weekend Readings: We continue to celebrate with joy the Resurrection of Jesus.

First Reading: St. Peter's speech on the day of Pentecost.

Second Reading: Christ paid the price of our salvation.

Gospel: Jesus appeared to two disciples on the Road to Emmaus

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 25th April: 11am Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation in Mullinarrigle

Sunday 26th April: 9.30am Mass in Mullinarrigle
11.00am Mass in Rosbercon

Weekday Masses:

Rosbercon:

Wednesday 22nd April: 10am Mass

Friday 24th April: 10am Mass

All Masses from Rosbercon Church will be streamed live through our webcam on www.rosberconparish.ie

Anniversaries

Ann Ryan, Listerlin

William Roche, Bawnjames, Rosbercon

Lourde Roche, Ballybeg

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.

The Lent and Easter Offering Envelopes are due to be returned as soon as possible. We thank you for your continued support.

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: Wisdom: When God asked the young King Solomon, 'What would you like me to give you?' Solomon answered, 'give me a wise and understanding heart'. And God we're told, was pleased with Solomon's request and the fact that he hadn't asked for wealth or power and God promised him 'a heart wise and shrewd as none before you had and as none will have after you'.

The wisdom offered to Solomon is the pearl of great price and is the first gift of the Holy Spirit. Imagine God asking you the same question, what would you choose? How do you want your life to be measured? Many people long for possessions, money, fame. Many dream of a good position in life, with power and influence. The question is what kind of person am I?

The world measures greatness by power, prestige and property. For God wisdom and understanding are the true measure of greatness. We all know the kind of person we would like to be friends with, one with an understanding heart. Love and laughter, kindness and consideration are worth everything and in the end are the only things of lasting value.

Tullagher/Rosbercon Vintage Club

The club will hold their Vintage Show on Sunday 26th April at Rosbercon Parish Centre at 12 noon.

"Celebrating the Steam Engine".

Dog show, Fun Fair, Underage Hurling and Camogie, Numerous other events. A great family day out.

The New Ross Singers will present **Rossini's Petite Messe Solennelle** in the Church of the Assumption Rosbercon on Sunday 26th April at 7.30pm. Tickets €20 will be available from choir members or at the door on the night.

Good Shepherd Sunday - Vocations Sunday – Sunday, 26th April 2026 – Televised Mass RTE1 at 11 am

Bishop Phonsie Cullinan, Chair of the Council for Vocations, will celebrate Mass in St. Canice's Catholic Church, Dean Street, Kilkenny, on Vocations Sunday, April 26th, at 11.00 am. The Mass will be broadcast live on RTÉ One and streamed online. Please note that RTÉ requests all members of the congregation to be seated by 10.30am sharp.

Our Lady of Lourdes Secondary School are holding a Clothing Drive. Bags may be dropped at reception from Tuesday 14th to Tuesday 28th April. Clean clothes, paired shoes and socks, belts, jewellery and soft toys all accepted. No pillows, cushions, duvets, sheets, towels, slippers or flip-flops accepted.

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Mass Intentions for Sunday, 26th April 2026:

Rosbercon: Sunday 26th April at 11.00 a.m.

Brendan Connick, Glenmore

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

Reflection: A prayer in the Easter Season: We pray every day for our parishioners that our faith will be alive in our hearts and that the message of Jesus will influence our daily lives. In these days we take time to think about our faith and we make time to pray.

What helps us is the support of our relationship with God and with those nearest and dearest to us. Every day we make the effort to relate to God and to our loved ones. We relate to God in many ways, through prayer, praising God, being grateful to him for everything and asking him for his help and protection.

The generations that have gone before us lived in simpler times. They were very devoted to God and to their faith. They lived constantly in God's presence. Their devotion is summed up in prayers like Saint Patrick's Breastplate as follows: 'Christ with me. Christ before me. Christ behind me. Christ within me. Christ below me. Christ above me. Christ on my right hand. Christ on my left hand. Christ in my sleeping. Amen'.

Wisdom – Hold fast to dreams, for if dreams die,
Life is a broken-winged bird that cannot fly;
Hold fast to dreams, for when dreams go,
Life is a barren field, frozen with snow

St Mary's & St Michael's Parish Church

Visit of the official 1st class heart relic from Assisi, Italy - 21st of April

10:00am Celebration of Mass including Talk for Schools followed by blessing with the relic.

11:00am Adoration and meditated Rosary with reflections from St. Carlo. Open to the public for veneration and relic blessing.

The relic will leave New Ross at 12:30pm.

A Prayer for Inner Strength

Please give me the strength
to endure this situation,
and to find the blessings
and lessons that it contains.
Please give me the endurance
to continue ahead.
Please guide my thoughts,
words and actions,
so that I walk your
path of peace and love.

St Molings Chapter St Vincent de Paul Rosbercon Tullogher

Wish to express our appreciation to our local GAA Club for the most generous donation recently received.

Humour: When asked why she always bowed her head when Satan was mentioned, the old woman replied 'It costs nothing to be polite.

The Rosbercon village Boundary extension of 1832

The river Barrow at New Ross until the year 1832 formed the dividing boundary between Co's Wexford and Kilkenny in which year Rosbercon "village was considered neglected by the Kilkenny Council consequently Rosbercon was by mutual agreement taken into the New Ross Urban area contrary to the wishes of the village residents of the time.

Whilst the new extended Wexford boundary moved up hill the old village residents over the years down to the 1960s strictly retained their Kilkenny orientation and refused to recognise the new boundary. This situation was none more obvious than in the event of a Kilkenny hurling victory over the yellabellies particularly in the 1950s/ 60s which was regarded as an occasion of great excitement and celebration by the locals who used light a substantial bonfire on the spare ground near the current Boat club just to remind the poor yellabellies looking down from the Irishtown who's boss, of course when the proverbial boot was on the other foot the Irishtown reciprocated. In preparation for this major event there was at the time a bicycle repair and sales business in Rosbercon the proprietor of which collected the old bike tyres in anticipation of the expected victory.

There was one event in particular at the time when some yellabelly brave enough to cross the bridge had the audacity to climb and erect the purple and gold colours on the very high electrical pylon which was situated out beyond the railway station causing great upset and worse again to add insult no one could be found in Rosbercon brave enough to climb the 200ft pylon to remove the offending item however, there it remained for some weeks until the wind eventually obliged much to the relief of the local hurling fraternity in particular.

Community Cycle

Join us for a group cycle on the South-East Greenway. Experience the views of the River Barrow in a relaxed & friendly atmosphere.

The group cycle will commence on Sunday May 10th at 3pm. The meeting point will be at Rosbercon greenway carpark. All children under 18 must be accompanied by a cycling adult. No bikes with stabilisers.

A limited number of adult bikes are available to hire for this event (free of charge), must be reserved in advance (ID required on the day)

This event was organised by the Wexford County Council.

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