Douglas / Rochestown

Parish



St. Columba's, Douglas

St Columba's Tel: 021 489 4128 (Office) **Mobile:** 087 2617143

Mass Times Sat Vigil: 6pm Sun: 9.30am,11am & 12.15pm St Patrick's, Tel: 021 489 6797 (Office) Mobile: 087 638 8655

Mass Times Sun: 11am & 12.30pm



St. Patrick's, Rochestown

BAPTISMS

We welcome to the Christian community the following who were baptised recently:

Erin Frances O'Mahony, daughter of Emer & Timothy, Welwyn Road, Maryborough Woods;

Charles Anthony Cullinane, son of Jennifer, Calderwood Road; Grace Angela Falvey, daughter of Karen & Conor, Ryecroft, Maryborough Woods:

Cillian Andrew Kelleher, son of Patrick & Tara, Manor Villas, Thornbury Heights; Archer Desmond Williams, son of Hayley & Gareth, Lislee, Maryborough; Samuel Jones Harling Wall, son of Gillian & Hemi, New Zealand

WEDDINGS

CONGRATULATIONS to the following who were married recently: **Gillian Kaar,** South Douglas Road, and **John Lay,** Bristol, UK. We wish them a long and happy life together.

DEATHS

Jo O'Callaghan, beloved wife of Sean and loving mother of Colm, Brian and Cian.

Anne Lawless, Donnybrook, beloved daughter of the late Paddy and Lil and loving sister of Carmel, Noel, Mary Angela and the late Paddy.

Rita Condon, Grange Park, beloved wife of the late Timothy and loving mother of Mary, Pat and Margaret.

Jack Turner, Rathmore Lawn, South Douglas Road, dearly beloved husband of the late Tess, much loved father of Brian and Fergus. May they rest in peace. Ar dheis lamh Dé go raibh siad

SYMPATHY

The sympathy of the parish community is extended to **John Kennedy**, Inchvale Drive, Shamrock Lawn, on the death of his mother. **Kathleen Kennedy**, Grange.

News Desk

Finance The Offertory Collection last Sunday in St. Columba's came to €3231 and in St. Patrick's €1743Many thanks for your generosity.

Christmas Penitential Services – NEXT WEEKEND

St. Columba's: Sun. 14th Dec. @ 7.30pm Mon. 15th Dec. @ 10.00am

St. Patricks: Mon. 15th Dec. @ 7.30pm.

Lectio Divina for Advent

St. Patrick's Church, Rochestown, Tuesdays mornings after 9.30am Mass



Christmas Specialities

Cooked Turkey • Spiced Beef • Roast Duck
• Seasonal Stuffings • Selection of Potatoe and Veg dishes
• Selection of Christmas Logs • Desserts • Mince Pies
Starters, Mains Courses and Desserts available. Daily Specials in store
Tramway Terrace, Douglas, Cork.

Open Mon-Fri 9am-6pm and Sat 9am-4.30pm



Notices

Christmas Mass Schedule 2014

St. Columba's:

Wed. 24th Dec.: 6.00pm,

7.15pm, **9.00pm**

Thurs. 25th Dec.: 9.30am, 11.00am. 12.15pm

St. Patrick's:

Wed 24th Dec.: 4.30pm—Children's Service, 6.30pm & 12.00 midnight. **Wed. 25th Dec.**: 9.30am, 11.00am & 12.30pm.

Carrigaline Singers
Carrigaline Court Hotel,
On Sun. afternoon 14th
Dec. @ 3.00 p.m. 'A
Christmas Matinee' An
afternoon of popular
music, traditional carols
and festive favourites.
Compere: 96FM's
Elmarie Mawe . Guest
Soloists Welsh Tenor
Ryan Morgan and
Soprano Linda Kenny.

MUSINGS

Our Second Reading today prays 'may God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through'. What does it mean to be 'sanctif ed', to be 'made holy'? We suffer today from some very skewed ideas about those who are 'holy': the caricature is of people who are otherworldly, excessively serious, and who suffer from bouts of 'holier-than-thou-ism'. Yet nothing could be further from the truth. To be holy is to be 'whole', 'wellrounded', exuberant with life ('rejoice always'). And, most importantly, to have hearts full of gratitude ('give thanks in all circumstances'). In the words of Ronald Rolheiser, 'the holiest person you know is the most grateful person you know'. Intercom



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