# **Douglas / Rochestown Parish**

Sunday 21 June 2015



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: Patrick Anthony Foy, son of Siobhan & Stephen, Delfern Grove, Maryborough Hill. Isabelle Catherine Burke, daughter of Deirdre & Keith, Rochestown Rise. Conor Patrick Hewetson, son of Catriona & Paul, Lislee Road.

## News Desk

Finance The Offertory Collection last Sunday in St. Columba's came to €3337 and in St. Patrick's €1287. Many Thanks for your generosity

Peters Pence - Second collection next weekend

### WEDDING BOOKINGS ST. COLUMBA'S CHURCH DOUGLAS 2016 2017

We are experiencing difficulties with our Office IT System at the moment. We would ask if couples who have booked weddings for 2016 / 2017 would kindly get in touch with us to confirm their dates.

### SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS Mark 4:35-41

- 1 The image of a boat in a stormy sea is a symbol of life in difficult times and can represent inner turmoil, anxiety and high emotions. When you have been in such circumstances, perhaps a 'Jesus person' came to your assistance and calmed you down? Recall that person with gratitude.
- 2 The image can also be applied to a family, a community, a parish or any other group. Remember people who have had a gift of bringing peace to troubled situations.
- 3 The significance of miracles in the Gospels is that they show Jesus as one who brings God's power to bear on human need and suffering. Have their been times when you have been a channel for this healing power of God, holding a crying child in your arms, calming the anxiety of a friend, or being a peacemaker in a group to which you belong? *Intercom*

### THE DEEP END • TRAVELLING SOLO

In his poem Travelling Light, poet and theologian Padraig Ó Tuama talks about the different ways we have of approaching life's journey. At different times, he says, we can find ourselves travelling alone or in the dark, heavily or lightly.

Sometimes we 'travel dark', unable to conjure up an image of 'sunrise or moonrise or starlight or fire'.

Sometimes we decide to 'travel solo', forgetting 'all the others we've travelled with'. The final verses remind us that there are times when we need to 'travel lightly': 'Because sometimes we/ need to be/ travelling lightly/ because sometimes we're in need of/ regular reminding/ that light comes in circles/ and waves/ and small moments'. The poem concludes: 'and light/ comes to find us/ and light comes with hope.' Life can be complicated and difficult, and it can weigh us down at times. We can end up thinking, feeling, and even acting as if we are alone on our journey. Today's Gospel reminds us that we are not alone. Even when God seems to be sleeping, and the storm is rising, and we are in danger of being swamped, he is there. At a simple request from the disciples in the boat, Jesus quietens the wind and allays their fears. All is calm again – all it takes is a little faith and trust that we are not alone. *Intercom* 

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### **NOTICES**

### Father Ray Kelly -Cork Opera House Friday 30 October

A very special concert with Father Ray Kelly, the Co Meath priest who became an internet sensation following his performance of Hallelujah at a couple's wedding in April 2014, in the Opera House on Fri Oct. 30th . Father Ray will be joined by a 15 piece orchestra and will be singing a selection of spiritual songs. tickets go on sale from Friday 12 June in Cork Opera House Box office. and are expected to go fast, so book now!

# Cork Regional Pioneer Council Commemoration in

honour of <u>Fr. Mathew</u> at Fr. Matthew's grave in St. Joseph's Cemetery on Wed. 24 June at 7.30 p.m. The Lord Mayor will be attending. Refreshments afterwards in Togher Community Centre.

## Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

SS Peter Pauls Church, Fri 19 – Sat. 27 June . Novena Masses: Weekdays at 12.30pm, Saturdays @ 6pm & Sunday @ 7pm – see notice in church porch for further details.

# Finals Day in College Corinthans.

College Corinthans AFC Castletreasure are having

their Finals day on Sun. 21<sup>st</sup> June.- -commencing at 10.00am. Action packed day for all the family.