

Douglas / Rochestown Parish

5 June 2016



St Columba's
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Mass Times
Sat Vigil: 6pm
Sun: 9.30am, 11am & 12.15pm

St. Columba's, Douglas



St Patrick's,
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Mass Times
Sun: 11am & 12.30pm

St. Patrick's, Rochestown

BAPTISMS

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

Grace Olivia Murray, daughter of Paula & Paul, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin.

Ger Fergus Keane, son of Patricia & Gerard, Douglas Road.

Ruby Somers-O'Riordan, daughter of Amy & Denis, Herons Wood, Carriglane.

Jessica Ruth Elizabeth Motherway, daughter of Susan & Stephen, Elm Close, Rosebank.

Billy Busted, son of Jane & Wayne, Passage West.

WEDDINGS

CONGRATULATIONS to the following who were married recently: **Jane Kelleher** Passage West, **Wayne Busted**, Mayfield. We wish them a long and happy life together.

DEATHS

Sheila Daly, Monees, Douglas, wife of the late Dan and sister of the late Donal and Tom.

Alan O'Hare, Endsleigh, Douglas, beloved son of Betty and the late Kevin, loving brother of Bernard, Ciarán, Mary, Mark, Clare and Ronan. May they rest in peace. Ar dheis lámh De go raibh siad.

News Desk

Finance

The Offertory Collection last Sunday: St. Columba's: **€2854**. St. Patrick's: **€1500**. 2nd collection in aid of World Day of Families: St. Columba's: **€2052** St. Patrick's: **€1046** Many thanks for your generosity.

Parish Retreat Day Saturday 25th June

Fr. James McSweeney will lead a Douglas & Rochestown Parish retreat day in Scala, Castle Road, Blackrock this year on Saturday 25th of June from 9:30am til 5pm approx. Light lunch, tea & coffees will be provided. There is no charge for the day. To register please contact the parish office.

Ordination to Diaconate and Priesthood

Evin O'Brien, a clerical student for the Diocese, from the Parish of Mahon, was ordained to the Transitory Diaconate in Maynooth on Sunday, the Feast of Corpus Christi. Evin will, God willing, be ordained to the Priesthood next year.

Reverend Pat Nugent will be ordained to the Priesthood for the Diocese on Saturday next, June 4th, at the Church of the Real Presence, Curraheen at 12noon Pat will also celebrate his First Mass on Sunday next, June 5th, in Curraheen at 6pm

Musings – 'He was moved with pity for her.' (Lk 7:13)

There is nothing like an Irish funeral. The solidarity is unmatched. Mourners are prepared to weather all kinds of storms to sympathise with the bereaved. Sympathisers will unselfishly walk any distance along with the corrin bearer to the grave. We have a great empathy with broken hearts and grief. We get sadness. We understand it. We know it. We feel it. Like Virgil, the Roman poet, we grasp the 'tears of things'. We don't need the professional mourners or the keeners anymore! We are stirred, naturally, by the loss of a family member, a friend, a neighbour. We are moved by today's Gospel. We feel the widow's pain and anguish. There is great sorrow at the loss of an only son. Jesus, too, is affected by the scene. We see his compassion. We know how he feels. This is Luke's message for us. Contrary to the Stoical beliefs of the time, God is capable of feeling. He is capable of joy and sadness. God is not remote from our human experience. God is drawn into our world of emotions. He feels what we feel. As Luke articulates it: "God has visited his people"

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Notices

Parish Assembly News

A huge **Thank You** to all who helped and contributed to Ice cream Sunday in St Patrick's. €835.00 was raised in aid of Down Syndrome Ireland.

Little Nellie Talk.

A big '**Thank You**' to everybody involved in the Little Nellie talk – *Pat Lucey & Family*.

Exam Prayer

Lord, pour out your Spirit of wisdom on all students doing exams at this time.

Help them to remain calm, to attend carefully to the questions asked, to think clearly, to remember accurately, and to express themselves well. Grant that they may reflect the best of the work they have done, and the best of the teaching they have received. When the results come out may they be satisfied that they did their best, and may whatever path they choose in life bring them happiness. May your love be upon them O Lord as they place all their trust in you. Amen.

PTAA

Gold, Silver and Diamond jubilee pins will be presented at the Pioneer Diocesan Mass which will take place at 8p.m. in St. Columba's Church, Douglas on June 22. Further info contact Sorcha 0863642619 or: sorchaol@gmail.com

Douglas Farmers Market.

Every Saturday in Douglas Community Car Park 10.00am – 2pm.