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St. Patrick's, Rochestown

Notices

MUSINGS

'My sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself." (Luke 10:40b) I find it easy to picture Martha in her kitchen. Every hob has a pot brewing on it, some boiling over. Every kettle is turned on. Steam fills the air, microwaves beep, smoke detectors detect trouble. Martha stands in the midst, sweat pouring out of everywhere: a living example of what happens when you take on everything and don't seek help.

It's hard not to feel sorry for Martha, though she may have drawn her misfortune on herself. As children, her sister Mary was probably taught not to stray into the kitchen, Martha's domain, lest she cause upset.

Mary had her own unique role to play. In truth, every kitchen, every house needs a Martha and a Mary. Within each of us, also, the practical and contemplative alike need to be developed, each essential.

Lord, when I am being holy and listening to you, help me not to forget how to be a Martha too. Teach me to multi-task in your vineyard, if not in your kitchen. *Intercom*

Irish Cancer Society Annual Church Gate Collection at St. Columba's

Heartfelt thanks to all who contributed so generously to our recent collection. Sum collected was €1375 and will go towards making a difference in the lives of people affected by cancer.

St. Columba's, Douglas BAPTISMS

We welcome to the Christian community the following who were baptised recently: **Oisín Seán Joyce**, son of Lisa & Seán, Norwood Court.

Sadie Olivia O'Connor, daughter of Bernadette & Kevin, Upper Kensington.

DEATHS

The death took place of: **Brendan Fitzpatrick,** London & Kilkenny. May he rest in peace. Ar dheis lámh Dé go raibh sé.

SYMPATHY

The sympathy of the parish is extended to **Margaret Cotter**, Oakview, on the recent death of her brother, **Brendan Fitzpatrick**, London & Kilkenny. May he rest in peace.

WEDDINGS

CONGRATULATIONS to the following who were married recently: Lisa Hickey, & Brian Murphy, Bagenalstown, Co. Carlow.

News Desk

Finance

The Offertory Collection last Sunday: St. Columba's: €2401. St. Patrick's: €1012. 2nd Collection in aid of Diocesan Needs.St. Columba's: €.1652 St. Patrick's : €506. Many thanks for your generosity.

CORK WORLD YOUTH DAY VIGIL AND MASS - 30TH JULY

The Pastoral Development Office regrets to announce that this event will not be going ahead due to insufficient numbers registered. Fr Charlie Kiely 021 4537603.

SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS Luke 10:38-42]

1. The two sisters symbolize the contemplative and active dimensions of life, at times difficult to balance. What wisdom have you learned through life experiences on how to strike a balance between prayer and action?

2. Many people misunderstand hospitality. They worry and fret about decorating the house and preparing abundant food. Yet sometimes from something else that is needed to make people feel at home, namely, to sit with guests and to listen to them speaking. What has been your experience of being a cherished guest and when have you been able to make others feel welcome and at home?

3. We can make the same mistake in relation to people who are important to us in life: children, friends, parents, or others. We can worry and fret about doing things for them when perhaps the important thing is to give them time and to listen to them. What does your experience tell you?

4. When it comes to welcoming God into our lives, one appropriate response is to give time listening to God's word. When have you found time devoted to the word of God enriching for you? *Intercom*

Cemetery Sunday 2016 – Passage West Parish

Sunday 31st July, Mass for the Faithful Departed , St. Mary's Cemetery @ 5pm Preceded by prayers and blessing service in old graveyard @ 4.pm.

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