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## PARISH OFFICE ST. COLUMBA'S CHURCH

**CLOSED from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> August – re-opening Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August**

### BAPTISMS

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

**Rebecca Forde**, daughter of Niamh & Niall, Skehard Road, Blackrock.

**Roan O'Connor**, son of Kate & Glen, Donnybrook.

**Catherine Mary Jennifer Canty**, daughter of Kieran & Kay, Clarkes Wood, Rochestown.

### WEDDINGS

CONGRATULATIONS to the following who were married recently:

**Ciara Crotty**, Kanturk, & **Brian Costello**, Limerick. We wish them a long and happy life together.

### DEATHS

The deaths took place of the following: **John Doyle**, Rochestown Road, beloved son of Phil and the late Thomas, much loved brother of Ann, Frank and the late Paul. **Noreen Williamson**, East Village, beloved wife of David and loving mother of Bernie and Helen **Maurice James McLernon**, Passage West, husband of Sheila, father of William, Anne, Glenn, Philip and Maurice. May they rest in peace Ar dheis lámh Dé go raibh siad.

## News Desk

### Finance

The Offertory Collection last Sunday: St. Columba's: **€2592** . St. Patrick's: **€970**. Many thanks for your generosity.

**Monday 15 August – Feast of the Assumption - Mass Times: 10.00am & 12.15pm**

**St. Patrick's Church Rochestown Silver Jubilee** Photographs now available on following website: *St. Patricks - Rochestown/ Garden Party*. The password is: rochestown.

**Annual Padre Pio Ceremonies** Commemorating the most wonderful day in his life, his ordination to the priesthood on Aug. 10 1910, in the Church of the Holy Spirit, Dennehy's Cross at **2.30pm** on **Sun 7 Aug**. All welcome.

### THE ALZHEIMER SOCIETY OF IRELAND (CORK CITY BRANCH)

**NO CARER'S SUPPORT MEETING IN AUGUST.**

### SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS Luke 12:32-48

1. The opening verses of this gospel invite us to ask ourselves what do we see as our purpose in life? What are our priorities? Is our heart set on material progress and advance, or do we have other priorities? What has helped you to appreciate that there is more to your life than earthly possessions and success?

2. At times, one can sense in Jesus an urgency, as if he wanted to shake people and wake them up to take his words seriously. The parable has that tone: 'Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit'. When have you found that being alert enabled you to grasp a moment of opportunity that you might easily have missed, e.g., when a child or friend gives a hint that they would like to talk and a very meaningful conversation ensues.

3. Another consideration that adds to the sense of urgency in the words of Jesus, is that we only have one life, and we do not know how long that will last. So Jesus calls us on us to live in the now and to treasure our time. Sometimes we can drift aimlessly through a day, and on other occasions use a day purposefully. What difference does that make, if any, to how you experience the day?

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## Notices

### MUSINGS

*'If the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house.'* (Luke 12:39)

I used to think this line on the Gospel was fanciful, or that it belonged to another age. Thieves are more discreet than that, I thought, breaking in not through a wall but via an unguarded door or an open window.

That was until I saw the first ATM robbery, when a bulldozer was used to break down the wall of a bank and remove the banklink machine, with all its money intact. It struck me then that the scriptures were well rooted, that the avarice in people's hearts is timeless – as are the actions it leads to.

People are not so different now from the folks Jesus observed. Then, as now, some begin with enthusiasm, but fall back to their former ways. And some come late in the day to the conclusion that Jesus was right, and act accordingly.

*Lord, teach me wisdom. Keep me from the avarice that leads to wrongdoing. Fr Bernard Cotter.*

*God, teach me to be patient, teach me to go slow, Teach me how to wait on You when my way I do not know. Teach me sweet forbearance when things do not go right So I remain unruffled when others grow uptight. Teach me how to quiet my racing, rising heart So I might hear the answer You are trying to impart. Teach me to let go, dear God, and pray undisturbed until My heart is filled with inner peace and I learn to know your will. Helen Steiner Rice*