

Parish of Douglas & Rochestown



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

St Patrick's,
Tel: 021 489 6797 (Office)
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Sunday Mass Times
Sun: 11am & 12.30pm



2 April 2017

BAPTISMS

We welcome to the Christian community the following who you were recently baptised:
Charlie Noel Twohig-Fealy, son of Amy & Anthony Willow Park South Douglas Road.

DEATHS

The death took place of: **Brendan Coghlan**, Wainsfort, loving husband of Mary & adored father of Conor, Marie & Ciara. May he rest in peace. Ar dheis lámh Dé go raibh se.

News Desk

Finance: Offertory Collection last Sunday: St. Columba's : **€3170**. St. Patrick's: **€1215** Many Thanks for your generosity.

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society – Douglas Branch

Meeting after 10.00am Mass on Monday 3rd April, Members pray for and assist financially, students for the priesthood. New members welcome

Why God? Why Christ? Why the Church? The Parish Assembly invites you to the **WHY? Course**, an exciting, intriguing and enjoyable three-part overview to the Catholic Faith that aims to get people thinking about three particular big questions – Why God? Why Christ? And why the Church? – and to show that the answer to these questions is hugely important for people today, both as individuals and as a society. **Wednesday April 5.** @ 8pm in the Parish Centre Ministers of the Eucharist, Ministers of the Word, and Meditation Groups are encouraged to attend these sessions. To register, please give your name and telephone number to the Parish Office. **(Parish Assembly).**

Divine Mercy Sunday will be celebrated on 23rd April at 11.00am in St. Patrick's Church, Rochestown. The Feast of Mercy is preceded by a Novena (Chaplet of Divine Marcy), which starts on Good Friday and ends on Mercy Sunday (9 days). A Copy of the Novena Chaplet will be available in both churches before and on Good Friday.

Legion Of Mary Cork Young Adults. - You are invited you to a Catholic Young Adults Conference (18-40) on Saturday the 22nd April in Ennismore Retreat Centre, Montenotte, Cork organised by the Legion Of Mary Cork Young Adults. It will run from 10am - 6.30pm. The day will consist of inspiring talks, testimonies, prayer and Mass. The cost for the day is €15. This includes a three course lunch. For more information email corkolgraces@gmail.com or call Daniel: 0838345441 / Barry: 0851743570

MUSINGS

His was a human heart. He liked friends and he found a home and a safe place with them, over the hill and away from the mob. We might picture him there – the talk, the chat, the prayers, the love; meals with other friends who dropped in, times of prayer and silence. The one who can share a laugh, eat a scone, have a drink or a cuppa. The one who'd give a wink at the sign of peace! Not always so serious, even about religion. There's no such thing as a sad saint! He is a good friend. Friendship gives new spirit.

When life is ending we will give thanks for friends, and regret the way we have drifted from or hurt each other. Real friendship is when another's thoughts and life become at least as important or more important than our own.

So the resurrection and the life is not just for after death. It is for now. We raise each other up in friendship and in love. In that is the grace of the Lord, himself a friend, for when we love, God lives in us. Picture your friends and those you love and give thanks to God for each of them.

Lord, help me to keep love and friendship alive in my life. From *Gospel Reflections for Sundays of Year A: Matthew* by Donal Neary SJ Messenger Publications. Intercom

A Human Heart

Notices

Mass for People With Parkinson's, their families and friends will take place at St. Patricks Church, Rochestown Road, Cork on Wednesday 5th April 2017 at 7.00 pm. The ceremony will include The Sacrament Of The Sick. All Welcome.

Alzheimer Society of Ireland Cork Branch, Saturday Club, Saturday 8th April 2017 at Bessboro Day Care Centre. From 2pm until 4pm. We are delighted invite you to join us for a musical afternoon. Light refreshments provided. Free Admission. All Welcome Contact 021 4972504

The Cork Youth Drama Festival will run an evening of special performances in aid of the Cork Association for Autism (CAA). The event will take place during Autism Awareness Month on Sat. April 8th @ 8pm in Deepark CBS, Friars Walk. A raffle also on the evening with fantastic prizes! Ticket €10 per adult and €5 per child. Family passes are also available for just €20. Tickets can be purchased by calling Carol on 021 453 3642 (ext. 5) or by emailing c.walsh@corkautism.ie.

SVP Cork urgently looking for volunteers for their shops in Cork City and also at their Clothing Recycling Centre in Little Island. If you can give an hour or two a week then please contact Mark Hussey at mark.hussey@svp.ie or 086 0495712 Noel O Leary at ofcsouthwest@gmail.com or 086 8057751