



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)
Mobile: 087 638 8655

Sunday Mass Times
Sun: 11am & 12.30pm



Sunday 23 April 2017

Thank you to everyone who participated and contributed to the Holy Week and Easter ceremonies in both churches. To the altar societies and those who prepared the altars of repose and Easter gardens, Ministers of the Word and Eucharist, choirs, music groups, youth choir and their conductors, altar servers, church collectors, volunteer cleaners, sacristans and office staff. During the Holy Week ceremonies, the dedicated work and loyalty of numerous people generates a beautiful atmosphere of prayer and joy.

The Priests of the Parish wish to thank you all for your generosity in both the Easter Dues and Easter collection at the Easter Vigil and on Easter Sunday. It is deeply appreciated by the priests of the parish.

News Desk

Diocesan Needs: 2nd Collection at all Masses next weekend 30th April

Trocaire - Please return Trocaire Boxes during Easter Period

The Parish Assembly would like to thank all those who came to the Taize Meeting on Good Friday night. We would like to also thank the **Net Ministry** for helping.

Douglas Churches Together 2017 A sincere 'Thank You' to all who helped make our Holy Week initiative a great success again this year. Thanks to those who gave an hour of their time to man the stands in the two shopping centres and a big thanks to all those who helped with our Easter Morning Prayer Service and breakfast afterwards in Ardfallen

Priesthood.... Consider your Call - Come & See Information Day Priesthood in Cork & Ross on Sunday 7th May in Pastoral Development Office Ballyphehane. 021 4537603. From 2.30p, to 5.30pm. Further info, in confidence: Canon Bertie O'Mahony 021 4346940, Fr. Charlie Kiely 021 453 7603, Fr. Tome Deenihan 021 4301717. **'Vocations aren't the result of planning, but an encounter with God that changes your life'** – Pope Francis.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

All parishioners are invited to attend one of two gatherings with Fr Timothy Bartlett, the General Secretary for the World Meeting of Families in Ireland will tell us more about this international event to be hosted in Ireland next year at the request of Pope Francis. At these sessions we will also launch our Diocesan programme of preparation towards the World Meeting. **Thursday 4th May**, from 7:30pm to 9:00pm in **Blackrock Parish Centre**. For more details contact 021 4537601

Pope Francis' questionnaire to young people aged 16 to 29 - now available for completion on our Diocesan website or the Cork and Ross Facebook page. This questionnaire, from the Pope, gives a voice to all young people as he prepares for the next synod on young people to take place in 2018/2019.

Cork and Ross Lourdes Pilgrimage

There is still availability on our annual diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes from 11th to 16th June. To book contact Joe Walsh Tours in Cork 021 4277959.

Medjugorje Pilgrimage ex Cork 24th May to 31st May '17. Cost €669 pps. Contact Ann Horgan 085 1201971, . Organised through Marian pilgrimages. Or call to Medjugorje prayer group, Holy Trinity Church, Fr Matthew Quay, every Wed 8PM.

Saint Vincent De Paul March 2017 Church Gate Collections

St. Columba's: **€3010**. St. Patrick's: **€1246**. Next church gate collection: Sat 6 /Sun 7 May. We would like to thank everybody most sincerely for your continued support and generosity.

Notices

The ISPCC now recruiting Cork-based volunteers for its Childline and/or Mentoring services, to provide one to one support through a mentoring relationship to children and/or parents who experience a wide range of issues. Also seeking volunteers to provide a non-judgemental, confidential listening service via Childline. If you have good communications skills, & are a good listener; then volunteering with the ISPCC could be for you! We are looking for volunteers to give 2-4 hours of their time a week, for a minimum of two years; in return the ISPCC will provide comprehensive training, support and supervision. To book your place on one of our information evenings (**April 25th and June 1st**) contact Ann Marie on amspillane@ispcc.ie or Christina on ckelly@ispcc.ie or 021-450 9588 no later than 48 hrs before the information evening.

The Annual Mass for current and deceased members of the **Scout Organisation** in Cork will be held on Thursday next April 27th, at the SMA church Blackrock Road, at 8.00pm. All present and past members, as well as their relatives and friends are welcome to attend.

The Cork Association for Autism Volunteers Needed! Friday April 28 & May 5 for Flag Day collections across Cork city & county. Please call 021 453 3642.