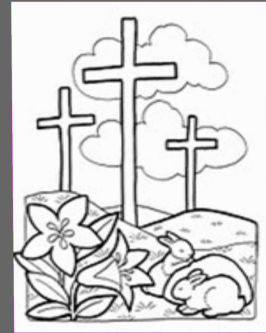




# Parish of Douglas & Rochestown

## Easter Newsletter

16 April 2016



### HAPPY EASTER FROM THE PRIESTS OF THE PARISH

Fr. Teddy, & Fr. Pat wish all the people of Douglas/Rochestown a very Happy Easter! Cáisc Shona! "Wielkanocnych"! Take good care on the roads!

*'God of openness, of life and of resurrection, come into this Easter season and bless me. Look around at the tight, dead spaces of my heart. Bring your gentle but firm love ... Open me. Open me. Open me. For it is only then I will grow and change, for it is only then that I will be transformed. For it is only then that I will know how it is. To be in the moment of rising from the dead.'* Intercom.

### BAPTISMS

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

**Ava Lola Buckley-Chai**, daughter of Ruth & Ryan, MA, USA.

**Holly Noelle McCarthy**, daughter of Noelle & Anthony, Greenvalley, Donnybrook.

**Claudia Margot O'Donnell**, daughter of Margot & Batt, Castletreasure, Douglas.

### DEATHS

The death took place of the following: **Mary Crichton**, beloved wife of the late Ronald and adored mum of Cathy, Robert and Sally-Ann. **John Murphy**, Inchvale Avenue, beloved husband of the late Hannah and loving father of Edward, Sean and Veronica. **Dehlia Allshire**, Grange, Dehlia Allshire, Grange, beloved wife of the late Thomas and loving mother of Catherine. May they rest in peace. Ar dheis lámh Dé go raibh siad.

### News Desk

**Finance:** Offertory Collection last Sunday: St. Columba's : **€3177**. St. Patrick's: **€1315** Many Thanks for your generosity.

**Trocaire** - Please return Trocaire Boxes during Easter Period

**Divine Mercy on 23 April at 11.00am in St. Patrick's Church, Rochestown.** The Feast of Mercy is preceded by a Novena (Chaplet of Divine Mercy), starting 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.

**Priesthood.... Consider your Call - Come & See Information Day** Priesthood in Cork & Ross on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> 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

Information leaflets are available this weekend in all our churches across the diocese – please take a copy home with you as you prepare to participate in this international event in Ireland in 2018.

### Cork and Ross Lourdes Pilgrimage

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

### Pope Francis' questionnaire to young people aged 16 to 29

is 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.

### Notices

#### Cork Flower Club

Cork Flower Club Floral Demonstration by Janet Maddock A.O.I.F.A. at Club Night in Canon Packham Hall at 8 p.m. on **Tues 18 May**. All are invited. Non-club members fee €5 including a cuppa & snack. Club Nights are held 10 months of the year and close for July and August.

**Blood Donation** is essential to ensure Hospital Patients get the treatment they need. 1 Donation can save up to 3 Lives, Full details of all clinics and on Giving Blood on [www.giveblood.ie](http://www.giveblood.ie) or 021 4807400 / 1850 731 137.

**"Cork ARC Cancer Support House - Volunteers needed** to help with Annual Flag Day in Douglas Court & Douglas Village shopping centres on Fri 21 April, . This Fundraising will help Cork ARC to continue to offer vital cancer support services free of charge to cancer patients and their families. Please contact Hilary: 4275050 or e-mail . [hilary@corkcancersupport.ie](mailto:hilary@corkcancersupport.ie) For more info, visit [www.corkcancersupport.ie](http://www.corkcancersupport.ie).

**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.

**SMA Pilgrimage to Lourdes** – 17 – 22 Sept '17. 5 nights, full board. €739 pps. Hotel Roissy. Organiser/Director: Fr. Hugh Harkin, SMA, African Missions, Blackrock Road Tel 021 4292871