

Parish of Douglas & Rochestown

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Sunday Mass Times Sun: 11am & 12.30pm

Sunday 6 August2017

Notices

Alzheimer Society of Ireland Cork Branch- NO Carer **Support Meeting in August**

Attention all 18-35 year

olds Join over 1,000 other young Irish people for the magnificent Summer Festival Weekend in Roscrae, Co. Tipp from August 17-20th. Loads of great craic, excellent speakers, inspiring workshops & talks, fantastic music, group activities, youth Masses, adoration, reconciliation, prayer, drama, games....and plenty of time to chill out, meet new people and find out what it means to be young & Catholic today!! Free return buses from Cork. Go to www.youth2000.ie or call 01 6753690. This is a donation only event.

The Munster Gathering and Spirituality Day Rekindling

the Pioneer Flame -Fitzgerald's Woodlands House Hotel, Adare, Co. Limerick Sun 1 Oct. Registration: 10.30 Tea/ Coffee. Morning Session: 11.00: Welcome and Opening Address 12.10: Hanna Costello shares her story. 12.30 - 1.20: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 1.30: Lunch 2.30 - 3.45: Group discussion. Break to prepare for Mass. 4.00: Celebration of the Eucharist Bishop of Limerick, Most Rev. Brendan Leahy. €30 siobhanenglishbarna@gmail.com 0872852155 sorchaol@gmail.com 0863642619 O Sacred Heart of Jesus, we place all our trust in you

BAPTISMS

We welcome to the Christian community the following who were baptised recently: Dylan Charlie O'Neill, son of Kara & Kevin, Clarkes Wood, Mount Oval. Cillian Edward John Marsh, son of Laura & Peter, Coach Hill. Isabelle Dennehy, daughter of Karen & Donnacha, Sharmrock Road.

DEATHS

The death took place of : Tadhg Falvey, Moneygourney, dearly loved husband of Irene, beloved son of late Timothy and Margaret. May he rest in peace. Ar dheis lámh Dé go raibh sé.

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Finance

The Offertory Collection last Sunday: St. Columba's: €2936. St. Patrick's €1012. Many Thanks for your generosity.

Annual Devotions Holy Rosary Shrine Lee Road

Tuesday 15th August is the 66th year of the Devotions at the Lee Road Rosary Shrine. Bishop Buckley will be Chief Celebrant at the Mass and Canon Bertie O'Mahony PP, Church of the Holy Spirit, Dennehy's Cross, will preach the homily. Join in reciting the rosary at 6.30pm at Our Lady's Hospital gate and follow the fifteen Mysteries until Mass begins at the Shrine @ 7.30pm

ST. JOHN'S CEMETERY MASS The annual Mass in St. John's Cemetery, Ballinrea will take place on Wednesday August 9th @ 7.30pm. All are welcome, (*Bring your own folding chair*).

Annual Padre Pio Ceremonies Commemorating the most wonderful day in his life, his ordination to the priesthood on Aug. 10 1910, will be celebrated in the Church of the Holy Spirit, Dennehy's Cross at 2.30pm on Sun 13 Aug. Ceremonies will include Rosary, Concelebrated Mass, Anointing of the Sick, Benediction, Blessing of the Sick and Blessing with St. Pio First- Class Relics. All welcome.

THE DEEP END: The Mountain Top

In the Scriptures, the mountains are often places where people encounter God. Jesus takes the disciples up to the mountain top to pray, to a quiet place, away from all the attention and the crowds. They have the most wonderful experience as we read in the Gospel today.

Can you recall a place where you have felt deep peace or a sense of experiencing God? In nature or in the places you go for some 'time-out' for yourself? Perhaps it is in special moments with family and friends; times of joy or sorrow. These 'mountain-top' experiences nourish us, can bring us insights or help us to deal with difficult periods in our lives. They can bring feelings of euphoria, deep joy and blessing and often sustain us in life. No wonder the disciples wanted to build 'three dwellings' so that Moses, Elijah and Jesus would stay with them like this forever. However, we cannot remain in those experiences forever. Jesus' way involves both time for encounters with mystery but also coming down from the mountain and continuing on life's journey and mission.

Can we carve out these moments of quiet in our busy days to be with the Word, to create the space to listen and make room for these encounters with the Lord? This week, imagine yourself in this story as you read 'Jesus took me with him and went up on the mountain to pray ...' 'To pray the scriptures is to descend to the level of the heart and find God' Intercom

MUSINGS: Being Transfigured

'From the event of the Transfiguration I would like to take two significant elements that can be summed up in two words: ascent and descent. We all need to go apart, to ascend the mountain in a space of silence, to find ourselves and better perceive the voice of the Lord. This we do in prayer. But we cannot stay there! Encounter with God in prayer inspires us anew to 'descend the mountain' and return to the plain where we meet many brothers and sisters weighed down by fatigue, sickness, injustice, ignorance, poverty both material and spiritual. To these brothers and sisters in difficulty, we are called to bear the fruit of that experience with God, by sharing the grace we have received'. Pope Francis. (Intercom).

