

# Douglas / Rochestown Parish

21 Jan 2018



**St Columba's**  
Tel: 021 489 4128 (Office)  
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**Mass Times**  
**Sat Vigil:** 6pm  
**Sun:** 9.30am, 11am & 12.15pm

**St. Columba's, Douglas**



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

**St. Patrick's, Rochestown**

## BAPTISMS

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

**Jack Teddy Rose**, son of Helen & Mark, Lime Trees Road East, Maryborough.

**Cadán Fitzgerald**, son of Morgana & Sean, Grangewood Court, Grange.

**Tom Francis Delaney**, son of Conor & Zanda, Belmont.

**Aoife Mary McCarthy**, daughter of Owen & Orla, The Circle, Broadale

## DEATHS

The deaths took place of the following: **Geraldine Rattray**, Loretto Park, dearly loved sister of Billy and loving aunt of Deirdre, Fergal, Brian and the late William. **Catherine Quill**, Shamrock Park, beloved wife of the late Pádraig and loving mother and great companion to Ciarán, Mairéad, Lucy and Gearóid. **Liam Bennett**, Douglas West beloved husband of Esther and loving father of Mary, Anne, Deirdre, Jim & Carmel. May they rest in peace. Ar dheis lámh Dé go raibh siad.

## News Desk

**Finance** The Offertory Collection last Sunday: St. Columba's €3314 St. Patrick's : €1484  
Many Thanks for your generosity. **2<sup>nd</sup> collection this weekend in aid of the Diocese.**

**Lourdes 2018–Young Adult Helpers.** The Diocese of Cork and Ross invites Young Adults 18-25 year olds to come to Lourdes as helpers from 11th to 16th June. As helpers you will assist with the sick and be involved in the full pilgrimage programme as well as time for prayer, for making new friends and sharing in the story of Lourdes.

Limited number of places. Closing date for applicants is 28<sup>th</sup> February 2018. For further details contact Fr. Charlie Kiely 021-4537603, Pastoral Development Office, Parochial House, Ballyphehane, Cork or email: charliekiely@gmail.com

**Samuel (Vocations Ireland)** *Wondering what God is calling you to do with your life??*  
Samuel is a group for young adults (18 – 35) open to listen to the Word of God and putting it into action in their lives. Join Samuel on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January at 6.30pm in Sacred Heart, Western Road, Cork.

### **Douglas Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann**

*Performing at the 12.15 Mass this Sunday – 21 Jan.*

### SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS Mark 1:14-20

1. 'The time is fulfilled' – this is a decisive moment in the life of Jesus. His public ministry is about to begin. Recall turning points in your own life when something new happened and with hindsight you can say the time was ripe for it to happen, 'the time was fulfilled'.

2. 'Repent and believe the good news'. Jesus was not preaching a new doctrine, he was proclaiming an event that had already happened. The time has come. Jesus called for a change of heart as a response to the good news of the gospel message. A new way of understanding God leads to a conversion in how we relate to God, a change of heart. A growth in awareness of who we are can lead us to a new level of self-confidence, another change of heart. Can you recall times when 'good news' led you to a change of heart?

3. The Spirit of God who was at work in Jesus calling the disciples continues to work in our day and in our lives. That is why the gospel message is one of good news. When has your understanding of the gospel message led you to a different style of life? Who was the Jesus person through whom the call came to you? To whom have you been a Jesus person in this way?

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## Notices

**"Come and See"** Vocations Afternoon **Poor Clare Monastery**, College Road, Cork. Sat Feb. 10th 2 - 4.30 pm For young women considering a vocation. Email: vocationspoorclarescork@gmail.com

**Pilgrimage to San Giovanni Rotondo** and the highlights of Puglia (**Remembering the fiftieth anniversary of the death of St Padre Pio**) 29-Sep to 5 Oct . Group Leader: **Eleanor Lynch** . Spiritual Director: **Fr Ben Hodnett** Full details and itinerary from Marian Pilgrimages 01 8788159 or [www.marian.ie](http://www.marian.ie)

**THE DEEP END: The call**  
*'Will you come and follow me if I but call your name Will you go where you don't know and never be the same Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known, Will you let my life be grown in you, and you in me?' 'The Summons,' by John L. Bell* Today we reflect on Jesus' call to the very first disciples. There is a simplicity to the scenes where Jesus gathers his first disciples. He issues the invitation to follow him, and the fishermen respond with a resounding yes, leaving their nets, boats, and even their families behind, no questions asked. In the opening chapters of Mark's gospel everything happens 'at once' or immediately. There is a sense of urgency; the time has come, the kingdom of God is near, and Jesus needs helpers to work alongside him. Jesus asks the same of us, his modern-day disciples: 'Follow me'. We are summoned too. We are challenged to leave aside our worldly concerns, see the world in a new way, and to begin a new adventure with Jesus. **Intercom**