

St. Columba's, Douglas

Douglas / Rochestown Parish

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16th September



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BAPTISMS

We welcome to the Christian community the following who were baptised recently: **Ella Mae Fitzgerald**, daughter of Donna & Gerald, Hazel Hill, Maryborough Ridge. **Jessica Jane McGrath**, daughter of Mary & Brian, Yewlands, Maryborough Woods.

WEDDINGS

CONGRATULATIONS to the following who were married recently: **Kate Delaney,** Hillcourt & **Glen O'Connor,** Balyphehane.

DEATHS

The death took place of: **Mary O'Mahony**, Shamrock Lawn, beloved wife of Sean and loving mother of Kieran and Audrey. May she rest in peace. Ar dheis lámh Dé go raibh sí.

SYMPATHY

The sympathy of the parish community is extended to **Eilish Cotter**, Broadale on the recent death of her mother **Nora Cotter**, Leamlara. To **Rita Lynch**, Church Road, on the recent death of her sister, **Mary O'Reilly**, Ballinspittle.

News Desk

Finance The Offertory Collection last Sunday: St. Columba's **€2742** . St. Patricks **€1147**. Many thanks for your generosity.

Recruiting new altar Servers at St. Parrick's Church, Rochestown. 9 & 10 year-old Boys & Girls. CommittmentL 2 Sundays in month. Contact: Frances 087 1242452 or pop into the Sacristy in St. Patrick's any Sunday.

Cork Scripture Group The Gospel of Luke: Portrait of a God of Compassion

Facilitators: Rev Geraldine Gracie, Fr Ben Hegarty OP, Marian Mortell and Fr Silverster O'Flynn OFM Cap. **Mondays** 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd Oct., from 7.30 – 9.30 pm Scala Centre, Blackrock. **Saturday Workshop:** The Acts of the Apostles: A Story of Mission and Church for Today facilitated by Fr Luke Macnamara OSB (Glenstal Abbey/Maynooth). Sat Oct 20th from 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. in Sacred Heart Hall, Western Road. Cost: €50 [for the 4 nights and Saturday workshop]For those who wish to attend the workshop only: €10. Further info: corkscripturegroup@gmail.com

THE DEEPEND: 'I, by my works, will show you my faith'

'What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works?' These are the words of St James in the second reading today, and in the gospel Jesus speaks quite sternly to Peter: 'The way you think is not God's way but man's...' This is a reminder for us all to check what path we are walking. Jesus' path was radically different to what people of his time expected of a Messiah. It was a path that would lead to much sacrifice. Being a Christian today means being counter-cultural and making sacrifices for a greater good.

As we walk together through this Season of Creation can we as parish lead by example and show our commitment to caring for the earth? The future of our environment depends on the action we take now as a society. We can be proud that in July Ireland became the first country in the world to divest from fossil fuels. This is a good news story. As parishes can we join with the eco-groups in our community to rejoice in the good gift of creation, to share eco-stories and hear other good news of what is already happening. Perhaps you can explore becoming an 'eco-parish'? (http://ecocongregationireland.com) This is an issue that the Church can link with the wider community and offer a space to dialogue and pray. The gospel today urges us to walk God's ways not man's.

'I wish to address every person living on this planet ... to enter into dialogue with all people about our common home ... The climate is a common good, belonging to all and meant for all. At the global level, it is a complex system linked to many of the essential conditions for human life.' Pope Francis, Laudato Si', 3,23 Intercom

Notices

Down Syndrome Centre
Forge Hill Pouladuff Buy My
Dress fund raising event at
the Clayton Hotel Cork on
29th Sept which will raise
monies for the centre - an
early intervention centre,
The Centre caters for
children from the Munster
area. Buy My Dress - new
and pre loved designer and
occasion dresses. All funds
raised on the day will go
towards the Centre.

Ireland's biggest Coffee
Morning for Hospice
together with Bewleys,
Host a Coffee Morning,
Register today:
www.marymount.ie Thurs.
20th September in aid of
Marymount University
Hospital.

Flower Club back on Tues 18th Sept at Canon Packham Hall, at 8 p.m. Demonstrator Rose Hickey. Visitors €5 which includes a hot cuppa and snack after the talk. a highly enjoyable evening. All are welcome.

Great Cork Simon Supper – host a meal to raise funds this September. By hosting a meal, you will be joining the fight against homelessness. We need to raise €180,000 We would be incredibly grateful to have your support and we will provide you with everything you need to organise the perfect Supper. Call 021 492941 visit: www.corksimon.ie/supper

Bridge lessons for beginners, start on Monday 10:00am 17 Sept. and Wednesday 7:30pm 19th, at the Mills Bridge Club, call David 086 8276699.More info on www.millsbridge.com