



Douglas / Rochestown Parish

St Columba's
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Mass Times
Sat Vigil: 6pm
Sun: 9.30am, 11am &
12.15pm

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

24 March 2019



Notices

BAPTISMS

We welcome to the Christian Community those who were baptised recently:

Conor Sam Boyle, son of Orla & Brian, Oakview, Douglas.
Jack Wilkinson, son of Katherine & Ciaran, The Circle, Broadale.
Conor Andrew Dineen, son of Emily & Ronan, Kiltegan Crescent.
Grace Joan O'Connor, daughter of Theresa & Barry, Delford Drive.

DEATHS

The deaths took place of the following: **Patricia McMahon**, Maryborough Hill, dearly beloved wife of Frank, much loved mother of Paul, Sinead, Orla and Fionnuala. **Kay Guthrie**, Maryborough Hill, dearly beloved and devoted wife of the late Bob and much loved mother of Chris, Michael, Maeve and Sarah. **Adrian Jones**, Cope Foundation Riverview, beloved special son of the late Michael and Margaret. Sadly missed by his brother Declan, sister-in-law Siobhan. May they rest in peace. Ar dheis lámh Dé go raibh siad.

SYMPATHY

The sympathy of the parish community is extended to: **Louie O'Mahony**, Enleigh, on the recent death of her brother, **Liam Prendergast**, Newbridge. **Bertie O'Mahony**, Gartan Park, on the recent death of his brother, **Brother Nessian O'Mahony**, North Monastery.

NEWS DESK

Finance : The Offertory Collection last Sunday: **St. Columba's: €3519 . St. Patrick's: €1480** . Many thanks for your generosity.

Easter/Spring Dues envelopes now ready for collection in Parish Office.

Parish Assembly The outgoing Parish Assembly invites all parishioners to participate in the nomination process for our new Assembly for 2019-2022. The Parish Assembly is a gathering of people, from all walks of life and ages, who are concerned with the pastoral, community and faith life of our parish. The Assembly tries to identify the needs of our people today and to find creative ways to move forward in faith by building an open and welcoming community in our Parish. In brief, we work to make Jesus known and loved and, together, the members seek to create an open, caring, compassionate faith community, involving everyone and known by its actions.

The Assembly's activities in 2016-2019 included organising three parish retreats in Scala and the grandparents masses in October. Each November saw the remembrance trees in both churches and the bereavement mass. December was always a very busy month including the ever successful Christmas concert. Januarys each year saw the collection of gifts for Edel house. Foreach Lent, we ran well-attended short courses on various aspects of our Catholic faith. Every May we held ice cream Sundays in St Patrick's church for Down Syndrome Ireland and presented certificates to First Communion and Confirmation children. We led the parish preparations for the World Meeting of Families in 2018 and also supported the NET Ministries team in the activities amongst the young people of the Parish. Finally, and throughout the year, members of the assembly compose Prayers of the Faithful for all masses, arrange occasional Eucharistic adoration, make banners for the churches and maintain the Parish website and Facebook page, in addition to hosting occasional coffee mornings after weekday masses in St Columba's. Individually, these activities are perhaps small, but we hope that collectively they made a difference and helped improve parish life.

Now, we invite you to become a member of the **Assembly for 2019-2022**. The commitment is only one evening each month - and to work and pray together for a better Parish of Douglas and Rochestown.

Nomination forms are available from volunteers after each mass this weekend, and at the back of the churches. Please return them to the Parish Office, St Columba's Church, Douglas or to the Office in St Patrick's, Rochestown or in the collection basket at mass. Names can also be simply emailed to parishofdouglas@gmail.com or given by phone to (021) 489 4128.

Douglas ICA Annual Concert, Thurs 28th March at 8pm, Venue: Douglas ICA Hall, Church Road. Admission: €6.

Young at Heart Afternoon Tea Dance, Sunday 7 April from 3 to 6pm in Douglas GAA Hall. Music by Johnny Carroll 'The Man with the Golden Trumpet' and his band Tickets €10, available from Pro Musica and Phil Goodman 087 2987161

Monday 25th March Week 3 of the **Matt Talbot Novena** - The Way of the Cross Church, Togher. Preacher: Sr. Jennifer McAleer, Good Shepherd Sisters, Celebrant: Rev. Fr. Colin Doocey, P.P. Mahon. Mass and Novena prayers begin at 7.30 p.m.

The Anchorage Institute a morning reflection for carers- supporting people in a care relationship- Mar 12 April 9 10.30am-12pm. Also Soul Enrichment Course **(over 5 Sats. Mar -july 10am-4pm)** learning to listen with the heart-Both events offered in Northridge House education & Research Centre, St. Luke's Home, Mahon.

HOLY HOUR TO PRAY FOR VOCATIONS: on Wed 27th Mar, 3:00pm - 4:00pm at Mercy Hospital Chapel - all are welcome.

Over 60's Talent Competition - Briar Rose on **Wed next 27 March @ 8pm**. If you would like to compete, please contact Paddy O'Brien @ 086 8105585.