

St. Columba's Church **Douglas** 021-489 4128 (Office) 087-261 7143

Sunday Mass 6 pm Sun 9.30, 11.00 & 12.15

**DouglasRochestownParish** 

# **Douglas/Rochestown** Parish

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2020

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12.30

www.douglasrochestownparish.ie

#### BAPTISMS

We welcome to the Christian community the following who were baptised recently: Freddy Finbarr Fitton, son of Sarah & David, Bishop's Stortford, Herts., UK. Joseph, James John Hickey, son of Deborah & Colin, Adrfield Road, Grange.

# DEATHS

The deaths took place of the following: Stephen Staunton, Shamrock Lawn, devoted husband of Norma, loving dad to Audrey, Myles and Paul. Peter J. Murphy, Rochestown, dearly loved husband of Clare, loving father of Fiona, Sharon, Peter and Colin. May they rest in peace. Ar dheis lámh Dé go raibh siad.

# **SYMPATHY**

The sympathy of the parish community is extended to Ger Carey, Ravensdale, on the recent death of his sister, Josephine Beehinor, Dillons Cross

# **News Desk**

FINANCE: Offertory Collection last Sunday: St. Columba's €3154. St. Patrick's: €1275. Many thanks for your generosity. 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection next weekend: Irish Bishops' Commission.

FIRST FRIDAY 6th March '20 ST. COLUMBA'S St Padre Pio prayers before 10.00am Mass. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass from 10.30am – 11.30am. Alliance of the Sacred Heart of Jesus & Immaculate Heart of Mary will keep vigil from 11.30am – 1pm.

ST. JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS' SOCIETY- DOUGLAS BRANCH: Meeting in Parish Entre -Monday 2 March. after 10.00am Mass. New members welcome.

#### - Lenten Course: Christians and the Environment.

What do the Gospels and the Church say about the environment?. What should we, as Christians, do? What can we, as Christians, do? Come and find out - and join the discussion. Tues. 3 March & Tues 10 March, Parish Centre, Douglas, 7.30pm - 9pm. - Eucharistic Adoration: Tues. 24 Mar/ Tue. 31 March, Parish Centre, 7pm to 8pm.

#### Eco Challenge for Lent.....Give up Plastic

This season of Lent is your opportunity to make a difference and do something beneficial for the environment and climate change. One way is by reviewing your use of plastic. Cut out or reduce your use of single-use plastic such as bottles, cutlery, straws, cotton bud sticks and food containers. Alternative items are becoming more available: reusable bottles, keep cups, paper straws, bamboo or metal cutlery. Some plastic items can be placed in your recycling bin, just make sure they are clean, dry and placed loosely in the bin. If everyone in Ireland used one less plastic item and recycled one more piece of plastic every week, we could keep at least 250 million more pieces of plastic out of the ocean ! Everyone has a role to play be it large or small in helping to Green our Parish.

#### **Candle of Atonement Prayer**

#### Lord, forgive us our many sins.

We grieve and repent with all our hearts for having offended you, for our great failings and neglect of the young and vulnerable.

We place all of those who have been hurt by the Church in any way into your loving hands and under the protection of Our Blessed Mother.

Lord, bring peace to their broken lives and show us all the way out of darkness and into the light of your Word.

May we as the people of God be more fully human, more fully Christ-like and more fully your people, that we may see the errors of the past and go forward with renewed hope and faith in Christ and in our Church. Amen.



# **Notices**

St. Padre Pio Pilgrimage

Visiting Pietrelcina, the house of Mary Pyle & Mass at the Shrine of St Michael the Archangel: 4 Nights from Dublin 2<sup>nd</sup> October. Cost €699 per person sharing. Spiritual Director: Fr Ben Hodnett. : Full details on www.marian.ie or Marian Pilgrimages 01-8788159.

St Columba's Parish & Douglas GAA Club present a lecture on 'Douglas-Rochestown and the struggle for independence 1917-21' by Gabriel Doherty, School of History, University College Cork in Douglas GAA Club at 8pm, s. The talk is free of charge, and all are welcome.

Mon 2nd March, Annual Novena in honour of Matt *Talbot,* The Way of the Cross Church, Togher, Mass and Novena prayers at 7.30 p.m. novena organised by Cork Regional Pioneer Council

South Parish Historical Society Monthly Meeting Wednesday 4th March at 7:30 pm St John's College, Sawmill Street. Cónal Creedon will talk on The Immortal Deed of Michael O'Leary VC. All Welcome. Non-members €5

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