



**St. Columba's Church  
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# Douglas/Rochestown Parish

**St. Patrick's Church  
Rochestown**  
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Sunday Mass  
6 pm Vigil, Sun 9.30,  
11.00

**Sunday 27 September 2020**

**Sunday Mass**  
Sun 11.00 and  
12.30



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## BAPTISMS

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

**Finn Edward Kiniry**, son of Sarah & Paul, Greenvallye..

**Jack Rory O'Mahony**, son of Ciara & John, Shamrock Lawn.

**Emily Jane Looney**, daughter of Denise & David, Rathmore Lawn.

## News Desk

### Masses in Douglas Parish Weekends & Weekdays

**ST. COLUMBA'S: Saturday 6.00 Vigil, Sunday: 9.30am, 11.00a. Monday – Friday: 10.00am**

**ST. PATRICK'S: Sunday: 11.00am & 12.30pm. Monday – Friday: 9.30am.**

**LIVE STREAMING St Columba's** now has a high definition webcam streaming live on the Churchservices.tv system familiar to many of you. You can access the camera through <https://www.churchservices.tv/douglas> or via link on the home page of the Parish website [www.douglasrochestownparish.ie](http://www.douglasrochestownparish.ie). Please let friends and family know.

### Ministers of the Eucharist Resuming

St. Columba's has now decided to restart Ministers for Weekend Masses: 6 Vigil, 9.330am & 11.00am, on Sundays.. Just be assured that you should volunteer only if comfortable doing so. Garda Vetting is required. If you have not been Garda Vetted recently, please call to office.

### The Deep End • Good intentions

During the recent 'lockdown' due to the COVID-19 pandemic, many people found themselves turning to nature. There was a surge of interest in gardening. We tended to flower beds, planted seeds, started herb gardens. Lots of people commented that they noticed the birds singing for the first time in years. In the midst of challenging times, we found ourselves tuning in to the wonder of God's creation all around us. As life begins to return to 'normal', can we retain this sense of wonder and awe? In this Season of Creation, we are invited to discover the presence of God in creation, to give thanks for the gift of the earth, and to change our ways so that we may live in harmony with creation. This requires us to be constantly conscious of how we are living – to not just have good intentions but to follow through in our actions. In today's gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the two sons who are asked to go and work in their father's vineyard. The first son initially refuses, but then thinks better of it and gets to work. While the second son has good intentions, he doesn't follow through. When it comes to caring for the earth, good intentions are not enough. Our actions matter. We may have been careless in the past but a change of heart is happening, right across our society. It all starts with our actions, as individuals and communities. As we emerge from a challenging few months, let us use the Season of Creation to reflect on how we can do better – to reconnect with God's beautiful creation and do all we can to love and preserve it.

*'Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognise that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light.'* (Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'*) **Intercom**

### Lens of the Gospel

### Matthew 21:28-32

. It is possible to be a dutiful and observant Christian, and yet feel there is something missing. Does it not make a huge difference when your heart is in what you are doing? It is so much better than just going through the motions. Where do you experience that most in your life? 2. The desire of Jesus for us is that we grow in that kind of committed, enthusiastic involvement in life. What encourages you to grow in this way? Recall times when your relationship with God, or with another person, was something that gave you energy, hope or joy. What lessons do you learn from those memories? 3. The elders probably thought well of themselves in contrast to the tax collectors and sinners. Perhaps you know some unconventional people, ones who appear to ignore the 'right' way of doing things, and yet they have taught you something about true goodness. **Intercom**

## Notices

**Archbishop Eamonn Martin** is asking families to pray the **Rosary** together for the month of October in what is called the Family Rosary Crusade.

**On Sat Oct 10, the Hail Holy Queen Conference** will be Live & Exclusive on **Radio Maria Ireland**, beginning with the Rosary from 12.30pm. Guest speakers include Dana, Marino Restrepo, Fr Damian Polly, Fr Ruairi O'Domhnaill, Fr Marius O'Reilly and more.

**Sun Oct 11 the Rosary on the Coast** for Life & Faith in Ireland will take place, joining in with many other countries from around the world. We will gather on our coasts, grottos, churches, river banks, our homes, or wherever we can..... to pray the Rosary safely together, at 2.30pm. Please do remember to observe Covid 19 guidelines.

[www.coastalrosaryireland.ie](http://www.coastalrosaryireland.ie) to see locations near you or to register a location.

**Affordable Live-in Homecare** provide live in carers for the elderly, please call Eileen or Tom today on 087 9916791. [www.alhomecare.ie](http://www.alhomecare.ie)

### Cork Autism Online

Conference 2020 - Autism: Beyond Behaviours\*. Sunday, October 11. This online conference offers interventions, skills and strategies to support people on the autism spectrum. Suitable for Parents, Families, Caregivers, Autistics, Employers, Educators, Professionals, Agencies, Advocates and anyone with an interest in autism. [:www.autismcork.ie](http://www.autismcork.ie)