



St. Columba's Church

Douglas

021-489 4128 (Office)

087-261 7143

Sunday Mass

6 pm Vigil, Sun 9.30, 11.00



Douglas/Rochestown Parish

Sunday 6 December 2020

www.douglasrochestownparish.ie

St. Patrick's Church

Rochestown

021-489 6797

(Office)

Sunday Mass

Sun 11.00 12.30



Notices

WEDDINGS

CONGRATULATIONS to the following who were married recently: **Susie O'Leary & Stephen Creagh**, Donnybrook. We wish them a long and happy life together

DEATHS

The deaths took place of the following: The deaths took place of the following: **Joan Freeman**, Rochestown, dearly loved wife of the late Guy and much-loved mother of Stephanie, Mark, Yvonne, Nicola, Richard, Philippa and Paul. **Phil Hegarty**, Hillgrove Lawn, beloved wife of the late Patrick (Pad) and loving mother of Michael, Patrick and Charles. May they rest in peace. Ar dheis lámh Dé go raibh siad.

News Desk

Feast of the Immaculate Conception Tuesday 8th December

Masses: Monday 7th @ 6.00pm Vigil. Tuesday 8th December @ 10/00am.

St. Vincent De Paul Church Gate Collection

12th & 13th of December in St Columba's and St Patrick's

Religious Services Guidance

Special concession for Places of Worship to reopen for religious services at **Level 3, from 1 December**, in light of the upcoming Christmas period, to be reviewed in January.

This will allow for up to 50 worshippers to attend Services with the following protective measures:

- 2m social distancing guidelines adhered to (members of the same household can sit/stand close together)
- Wearing of face coverings
- Where possible separate points of entrance and exit, clearly marked
- No congregation by people outside the premises before and after any service
- Stewards on site to assist in this regard

Additional measures to be put in place **to address overcrowding**, to include scheduling additional Services, increased stewarding and an advance booking system, where necessary.

Where the size of the premises allows for a **capacity of greater than 50** this may be permitted only where:

- Social distancing guidelines are adhered to
- The premises can be subdivided into distinct sections (cordoned or marked appropriately) of not more than 50 persons in each section
- There is a minimum of 4m between sections
- Each section having its own entrance/exit route
- There are separate arrangements for elements of the service involving close contact, e.g. the distribution of Holy Communion
- Strictly no movement of people between sections before, during or after the service
- The premises is well-ventilated.

Duration of Service

Services should not exceed one hour (this includes entrance and exit times) with at least one hour between services to allow for cleaning and ventilation and to avoid crowding/overlap.

Choirs (as part of the Service), chanting and congregational singing

Specific Guidance on this will be provided.

Funerals and Weddings

Numbers permitted at these events remains at 25 (as per Level 3) for ceremony and reception.

Diocesan

Advent/Christmas Carol Service 2020

Sunday 13th Dec. '20 at 7.30pm from the Cathedral of St Mary and St Anne Cork. This will enable us to connect with other parish churches of the Diocese by allowing a small number of people drawn from the parish choir to participate via their church webcam. This will then be streamed into the Cathedral as part of the Carol Service.

It is hoped that people throughout the Diocese especially those who are members of choirs will be able to gather with their family to participate in the Carol Service from their own home

Trócaire Gifts of Love

Although some of our face to face channels to buy gifts are closed at the moment they can still buy gifts by calling 1850 408 408 or by visiting our website: www.trocaire.org/gifts

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, 0818 222 024.