



St. Columba's Church
Douglas
 021-489 4128 (Office)
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Sunday Mass
 Sat Vigil 6 pm
 Sun 9.30am & 11.00
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**Douglas/Rochestown
 Parish**

Sunday 21^s August '22

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St. Patrick's Church
Rochestown
 021-489 6797
 (Office)

Sunday Mass
 Sun 11.00am &
 12.30pm



BAPTISMS

Ethan Michael & Ódhran Kevin Daly twin sons of Laura & Kevin, Wainsfort, Rochestown Road
Ava Margaret O'Shea, daughter of Katy & Adrian, Moneygourney.

NOTICES

Feast Days Week Commencing 22 Aug '22

Monday 22 Aug. The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Pope Pius XII established this feast in 1954. But Mary's queenship has roots in Scripture. At the Annunciation, Gabriel announced that Mary's Son would receive the throne of David and rule forever. At the Visitation, Elizabeth calls Mary "mother of my Lord." As in all the mysteries of Mary's life, she is closely associated with Jesus: Her queenship is a share in Jesus' kingship. We can also recall that in the Old Testament the mother of the king has great influence in court.

Wednesday 24 Aug. St. Bartholomew Apostle

Saint Bartholomew is one of the Twelve Apostles, mentioned sixth in the three Gospel lists (Matthew 10:3; Mark 3:18; Luke 6:14), and seventh in the list of Acts (1:13). The name (Bartholomaios) means "son of Talmi" which was an ancient Hebrew name.

Besides being listed as an Apostle, he is not otherwise mentioned in the New Testament, at least not under the name Bartholomew: many ancient writers, and Catholic tradition have identified Bartholomew as Nathaniel in the Gospel of John (John 1:45-51, and 21:2).

Saturday 27 Aug. St. Monica

St Monica, Widow, probably born at Tagaste (Algeria) about 331; died at Ostia (Italy) in 387. She undertook many years of penance and prayer for her brilliant but wayward son, Augustine Following his conversion and baptism in Milan, she died at the beginning of her journey home to Africa. She was well noted for her parental devotion, patience, and persistence in prayer.

DIOCESE OF CORK AND ROSS CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH ADULT STUDIES

COMMENCING Monday 5th September 2022 **TIME** 7.30pm – 9.00pm **VENUE** Brú Columbanus, Wilton **SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR** Fr. Pontianus Jafla **FACILITATOR** Máirín Ní Shúilleabháin, B. Div **Pre-booking is essential. Places limited. All enquiries and booking must be made prior to Friday 3rd September. All classes will be fully compliant with Government & HSE Covid-19 guidelines. To book call Máirín on 087 795 0325.**

These studies are open to all adults who wish to have a deeper understanding of the Catholic Faith. All are welcome to attend.

CONNECT 2

Almost 100 young people, aged between 18 to 35, from all over the Diocese, gathered in UCC in May for the CONNECT event. It was a wonderful day of great joy. The Diocese is delighted to announce that CONNECT 2 will take place in UCC, on Sunday October 16th from 10.30am. Please save the date. It promises to be another great day. More details to follow and the opportunity to register. For now - just save the date!

Volunteering Opportunities with NCBI

NCBI is currently recruiting volunteers to play a vital role in our retail stores. By volunteering with NCBI you can have a direct, positive impact on the lives of people who are blind or vision impaired across Cork and the whole of Ireland. Please visit our store, contact shopvolunteer@ncbi.ie or visit the www.ncbi.ie/supporting-us/volunteer/ to register your interest.

SMA Pilgrimage to Lourdes, 17 – 22 September 2022

Five nights, full board – Hotel Roissy. Further info: Fr. Martin Kavanagh SMA, at 021 4292871

LENS OF THE GOSPEL

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

The question put to Jesus is one that many still ask: 'Will many be saved?' In his answer Jesus is not concerned about numbers but warns his listeners about complacency. Just as his listeners could not regard the mere fact of being Jews as sufficient for salvation, neither can we regard being Christians as enough. That entitlement will come from our acceptance of Jesus. For any relationship to be alive – either with God or with another human person – the real question is 'Is my heart in this relationship?' What does your experience tell you of this?

'Strive to enter by the narrow door'. Jesus himself is on his journey to Jerusalem, purposeful and determined. His true followers will also be purposeful and determined. That is true in any journey, career, or relationship if there is to be growth or progress. Do you ever find that you have lost your enthusiasm for life and become a bit bored? What can you do to recover some of the enthusiasm you once had?

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"Although the life of a person is in a land full of thorns and weeds, there is always a space in which the good seed can grow. You have to trust God." "Let us pray for peace: peace in the world and in each of our hearts." "God's love calls us to move beyond fear."

Pope Francis