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**Sunday Mass** Sat Vigil 6.00pm Sun 9.30am & 11.00am

DouglasRochestownParish

**Douglas/Rochestown** Parish

Sunday 15th Jan '23

021-489 6797 (Office)

Rochestown

**Sunday Mass** Sun 11.00am & 12.30pm

www.douglasrochestownparish.ie



### **BAPTISMS**

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

Evie Marianne & Sarah Frances Morrissey, twin daughters of Aisling & Michael, Clifton, Grange.

#### DEATHS

The deaths took place of the following: Nancy O'Brien, Shamrock Lawn, dearly beloved wife of the late Pat, adored mother of Ann and the late Anthony, cherished nana of Aisling, Alison, Emily and Jessica. Anne Currivan, Limetrees Road, dearly beloved wife of the late Séan, much loved mother of George, Philip, Barbara, Kevin and Lauri. Pauline Downey, St. Columba's Tce. dearly beloved wife of the late Seán, much loved mother of Regina, Brian and the late Ciarán. Richard Cusick, Maryborough Hill, Sadly missed by his loving wife, his family and friends. Noel Delea Snr., Grange, beloved husband of the late Kathleen and loving father of Noel Jnr., Christy, Ann, Gerogie, Anthony and Brian and grandfather of the late Marlon. John Mannix, Woodview, Douglas Road, beloved husband of Frances loving father of Colette, John and Caroline and brother of Donal. Albert Woods, Thornbury Heights & formerly of Woodlawn, Limerick, dearly beloved husband and best friend of Caroline, much loved father of Niall, Aibhe and Darragh. Claire Walsh, Kiltegan, loving wife of the late John and dear sister of Mary and the late Dom and Jack.

May they rest in peace. Ar dheis lámh Dé go raibh siad.

# NOTICES

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE EX CORK - Walk in the footsteps of Jesus. This trip of a lifetime (fully guided) will take place from 21<sup>st</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> JUN '23. Highlights include A boat trip on the Sea of Galilee, visits to Nazareth, Cana, Jericho, The Dead Sea, Jerusalem, The Mount of Olives, Bethlehem, Bethany, and many other important biblical locations. The trip includes return flights ex Cork, a comprehensive daily programme, entrance fees, Excellent 4\* Hotels, dinner, bed and breakfast throughout. Accompanied by an experienced Christian Guide, Group and Spiritual Director. For further Information: Marian Pilgrimages 01 8788159 or Jim Keogh 021 4885371. You will be most welcome, but our places are strictly limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis only.

THE CORK AND ROSS DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES will take place from FRI 22<sup>nd</sup> to WED 27<sup>th</sup> SEP '23. Further details are available on www.corkandross.org or via e-mail at lourdes@corkandross.org (Information is also available from Joe Walsh Tours (01 2410800)).

Cost: €849 to €899 with a choice of hotels. People, families and parishes throughout the Diocese are invited to travel to Lourdes with the Diocese in 2023. Those who may wish to travel as helpers, nurses or doctors to assist pilgrims in Lourdes should contact lourdes@corkandross.org.

ALHOMECARE - Affordable Live-in Homecare provides live-in carers for the elderly in your area. If you are looking for a live-in carer for your relative, please call Eileen or Tom today on 087 991 6791 or 087 744 0729. Our website is www.alhomecare.ie.

The President and Members of the Douglas & District Lions Club wish to thank the following for making their Annual Christmas Food Appeal a great sucess which enabled us to help a lot of needy families over Christmas: • The very generous shoppers who donated; • The Management and Staff at Douglas Court S.C. and Ryans Supervalu, Grange; • Barrys Teas; • Chris Buckley Boxes; • Martin Twomey Coaches; • Douglas Hall Soccer Club; • Kinsale Energy; • Regini Mundi, GNS. Douglas and Douglas Gael Scoil, schools; • Cork Sugar Craft; • Liam Bresnan, Butchers; • People who donated privately to the appeal and the Parish Offices and Priests who advertised our appeal and of course the Volunteer Collectors who assisted. "Thank you all and a Safe and Healthy New Year to you all".

# FEAST DAYS WEEK

TUE 17<sup>th</sup> JAN '23 - ST ANTHONY ABBOT, born in 251 in upper Egypt; died in 356. At an early age he gave away his possessions and sought the austere life and solitude in the desert. Yet he remained involved in the theological controversies of his day, defending the divinity of Christ. He attracted disciples who formed communities of hermits. For Anthony the real desert was his own personality, where facing his interior demons and overcoming them was victory.

SAT 21<sup>st</sup> JAN '23 - ST AGNES, VIRGIN AND MARTYR, died at Rome, perhaps in the early fourth century. One of the most widely venerated of the Roman martyrs. According to early accounts, she gave her life to preserve her virginity consecrated to Christ. Named in Eucharistic Prayer I (The Roman Canon).

LENS OF THE GOSPEL 15 January 2023 - Second

Sunday in Ordinary Time John is one who directs people to Jesus as the one who had a life-giving message for them. Who have been the people in your life whose example or advice pointed you in the direction of a fuller life? Who has helped you to appreciate the importance of Jesus and his message?

In the narrative John recognised that Jesus had more to offer people than he himself. He had the humility not to need to be the star of the show. Whom have you known with that grounded sense of their own place?

John proclaims Jesus as one who takes away the sin of the world. Who have been the people who, for you, continued this mission of Jesus and led you from sin and quilt to forgiveness and freedom? For whom have you done this?

It was not just on the cross that Jesus gave his life as the Lamb of God. His public ministry was a constant struggle against injustice and oppression. When have you shared in this mission of Jesus? Who have been models of this for you?

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"Being a disciple means being constantly ready to bring the love of Jesus to and this others, can happen unexpectedly and in any place: on the street, in a city square, during work, on a journey." (Pope Francis).