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**Douglas/Rochestown
 Parish**

St. Patrick's Church
Rochestown
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Sunday Mass
 Sat Vigil 6.00pm
 Sun 9.30am & 11.00am

Sunday 05th Feb '23

Sunday Mass
 Sun 11.00am &
 12.30pm

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BAPTISMS

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

Thomas Brian MacSweeney, son of Rebecca & Brian, The Vicarage, Douglas.

DEATHS

The deaths took place of the following: **Beatrice Hartigan**, Monkstown, loved and sadly missed by her beloved and devoted husband Noel and cherished mother to Brenda, Darren and Hilary.

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

NOTICES

From 2023, there is a new Annual Public Holiday in early February to mark ST BRIGID'S DAY. The public holiday is the first Monday in **FEBRUARY 6th**, except where St Brigid's day (1 February) happens to fall on a Friday, in which case that Friday 1 February will be a public holiday.

MARKING 50 YEARS OF TRÓCAIRE IN YOUR PARISH - On the Feast of the Presentation of our Lord in 1973, the Irish Bishops wrote to the Christian people of Ireland establishing Trócaire. As we mark 50 years of Trócaire, we mark 50 years of perseverance, courage, participation, accountability and solidarity. From supporting human rights defenders in Central America, to leading the relief effort in Vietnam following the war, to providing essential emergency assistance in the midst of crisis, Trócaire has been proud to work on behalf of the people of the island of Ireland in fighting injustice across the world. We thank God for our supporters and partners who empower us to do this vital work. We pray that the next fifty years will see all the people of the world working together for a more just world, and that the fruits of this work will be clear to see.

CORK SCRIPTURE GROUP - 4 Monday nights (27th FEB, 6th, 13th, 20th MAR) on "Treasures Old and New: The Bible as the Heart of our faith". **Presenters:** Sean O'Sullivan, Luke McNamara OSB, Sr. Mary T. Brien PBVM, Phil Mortell. **Saturday workshop March 11th** from 10am to 1pm in The Crypt, Dennehy's Cross Church, Matthew and Justice, facilitated by Sr. Sheila Curran RSM. Cost €50.

To book a place please email corksripturegroup@gmail.com. See poster on Church Notice Board in porch.

CAMINO DE SANTIAGO. Breakthrough Cancer Research are taking on the Camino Ingles from **15th to 22nd MAY '23**. Enjoy this amazing adventure with our experienced guide and help us Make More Survivors. For more information please contact Mary@breakcancer.ie or phone 021 422 66 55 for more details.

SPECIAL CORK PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA last remaining places **9-14th JUN '23** ex Dublin for Feast Day of Saint Anthony Patron Saint of Portugal visit Saint Anthonys birthplace and baptismal font in Lisbon. Contact [James Treacy 061 921470](mailto:James.Treacy@061921470).

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE EX CORK - Walk in the footsteps of Jesus. This trip of a lifetime (fully guided) will take place from **21st to 29th 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](mailto:Marian.Pilgrimages@018788159) or [Jim Keogh 021 4885371](mailto:Jim.Keogh@0214885371). You will be most welcome, but our places are strictly limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis only.

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE FROM CORK - Group Leader Jim Keogh. This pilgrimage travels to Medjugorje from Cork on **9th AUG '23** with Aer Lingus. For further information and details please contact [Jim Keogh 021 4885371](mailto:Jim.Keogh@0214885371) or [Joe Walsh Tours 01 2410800](mailto:Joe.Walsh@012410800). Note that our places are strictly limited.

FEAST DAYS WEEK

SAT 11th FEB '23 - On 11th February 1858 **OUR LADY FIRST APPEARED** to 14-year-old Bernadette Soubirous. Later Bernadette, under pressure from her parish priest, asked her, "Who are you?" and heard from Our Lady's own lips, "I am the Immaculate Conception". **Lourdes** has since become an impressive place of pilgrimage and is visited by millions of Catholics every year. Many cures have been reported and 67 have been officially recognised. Pope John Paul II undertook three pilgrimages to Lourdes, the last one in 2004 shortly before his death to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the definition of the doctrine of the Immaculate Conception. Pope Benedict XVI visited Lourdes commemorating the 150th anniversary of the apparitions in September 2008.

FRI 10th FEB '23 - **ST. SCHOLASTICA**, sister of St. Benedict, consecrated her life to God from her earliest youth. Invoked against storms and rain. She died in 543.

World Youth Day 2023

The Diocese of Cork and Ross is delighted to announce that **Bishop Fintan will travel with 20 young people** (18 - 30 years old) from around the Diocese to World Youth Day 2023 in Lisbon (**JUL 31st to AUG 7th**). Two to four million young people from around the world are expected to attend and to pray with Pope Francis. It will be an experience of faith, fun and friendship. A special "Information Evening" will take place on Monday FEB 13th at 8pm in Mardyke House Cork City (T12 W8RP). The cost is €500 per person including flights, accommodation, food vouchers, tickets for transport within Lisbon, travel insurance, and bag allowance. Places are limited so if you are interested, please come along on FEB 13th to register your interest.

Pope Francis Quotes:

"Whenever a young person falls, in some sense all humanity falls. Yet it is also true that when a young person rises, it is as if the whole world rises as well. Young people, what great potential you have in your hands! What great strength you have in your hearts."