



St. Columba's Church
Douglas
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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 22nd Jan '23

Sunday Mass
 Sun 11.00am &
 12.30pm

 **DouglasRochestownParish**

www.douglasrochestownparish.ie

BAPTISMS

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

Leonard Mullally, son of Grace & Garry, Douglas.

Zoe Beth O'Connor, daughter of Ciara & Edward, Rochestown Rise.

DEATHS

The deaths took place of the following: **Susan O'Leary**, Ballincurragh Park, dearly loved wife of the late Flor, loving mother of Denis, Jamie, Muireann, Philip and Ruth. **Sheila Rennie**, Clermont Tce. beloved wife of the late Michael and loving mother of Mary, Deirdre, Sandra, and Lesley. **Thomas A. (Tom) Barry**, Douglas, dearly beloved and loving husband of Mary, much loved Dad of Damien, Peter, Stephen and Joan. **Paul Twomey**, Thurles & Douglas, sadly missed by his partner, Tina, sons Kyle, Tristan & Nathan, daughter Rebecca and mother Anna. **Louise Crowley**, Trabeg Avenue, Douglas, dearly loved wife of the late John and loving mother of Sean and the late Patrick Francis. **Fr. Jerry Cotter**, Dalgan & Douglas, sadly missed by his brother Tony, sisters Julia & Catherine.

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

SYMPATHY

The sympathy of the parish community is extended to **John Hunt**, Maryborough Hill, on the recent death of his sister, **Josephine King**, Richmond, Virginia, USA. **To Francis O'Dwyer**, Bloomfield, on the death of his brother **Rory O'Dwyer**, Borrisoleigh, Co. Tipperary

NOTICES

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.

SYCAMORE SERIES FOR YOUNG ADULTS - EXPLORING CATHOLIC FAITH - Have you ever questioned why you are Catholic and wondered why we Catholics believe what we believe? The Sycamore Series is an informal course for those aged 18-35. Join us as we deepen our understanding and knowledge of the Catholic faith. Each session involves a short film and time for discussion, with a meal also included. Everyone is welcome. Start date **WED 1st FEB**, 6.00 - 7.30pm at Presentation Brothers Mardyke House, Cork T12W8RP. The course runs for 10 consecutive weeks and it is free, but places are limited. Please email chaplaincy@ucc.ie or ring [0214902459](tel:0214902459) to let us know you are interested.

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](tel:018788159) or [Jim Keogh 021 4885371](tel: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. Full daily programme which includes a visit to the Hill of Apparitions (Podbrdo) the site of the first apparitions, where Our Lady first appeared to the six children in June 1981. Our accommodation is located near the village centre and the St James Church. Coach transfer to Medjugorje on arrival. 7 nights 4* hotel accommodation. Half board: breakfast & dinner each day. Coach transfer from your hotel to airport for return flight. Check-in assistance at airports. 1 x 20kg check-in bag & 1 x small cabin bag. For further information and details please contact [Jim Keogh 021 4885371](tel:0214885371) or [Joe Walsh Tours 01 2410800](tel:012410800). You will be most welcome, but please note that our places are strictly limited.

THE CORK AND ROSS DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES will take place from **FRI 22nd to WED 27th 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](tel:012410800))).

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](tel:0879916791) or [087 744 0729](tel:0877440729). Our website is www.alhomecare.ie.

LENS OF THE GOSPEL

**Third Sunday in Ordinary
 Time - Sunday of The
 Word of God • Catholic
 Schools Week begins**

'The people who sat in darkness have seen a great light' ...Jesus applies this to himself and his message. Who have been the Jesus people who have been a source of light to you? Have you been such a light for others?

His message was a call to repentance, to a change of attitude toward God, from seeing God as one to be feared, to seeing God as a God of love. When have you heard that call in your life? What was it like for you?

Jesus invited disciples to join him in his mission. In responding, the disciples 'left their nets' to follow Jesus. Sometimes we have to disentangle ourselves from other things to give ourselves freely and wholeheartedly to a commitment. Have you experienced being 'enmeshed' and being free? Where did you find life?

In v 23 we have a summary of the ministry of Jesus - 'proclaiming the good news of the kingdom' and witnessing to this by teaching and healing. Who have been the people you have known who have witnessed to the 'kingdom', the reign of God in our world? What have been the signs that accompanied their witness? When have you done this yourself?'

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