



St. Columba's Church
Douglas
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**Douglas/Rochestown
 Parish**

St. Patrick's Church
Rochestown
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 (Office)



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

Sunday 10th Mar '24

Sunday Mass
 Sun 11.00am &
 12.30pm

 **DouglasRochestownParish**

www.douglasrochestownparish.ie

BAPTISMS

We welcome to the Christian community the following who were baptised recently: **Clodagh Margaret Mai Curtin**, daughter of Sean & Mary, Belmont, Rochestown.

DEATHS

The death took place of: **Ricky Haynes-Barry**, Belmont, Garryduff, dearly loved son of Richard and Susan and devoted father of Ruby, loving brother of Cole, Oliver, Holly and Charlie. *May he rest in peace. Ar dheis lámh Dé go raibh sé.*

NEWS DESK

Finance: The Offertory Collection last Sunday: St. Columba's: €2541. St. Patrick's: €1610. *Many Thanks for your generosity.*
2nd collection next weekend Irish Bishops Commission

Confessions for Lent Every Saturday Evening from 5.30pm on and after the 6.00 Vigil Mass as well.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Friday's: 10.30am – 11.30 pm. Parish Centre (First Friday in Church: 10.30am – 12.45pm)

LECTIO DIVINA - Continues Monday @ 2pm. Not Bible Study, but rather praying with and listening to God's Word. Venue: St. Columba's Parish Centre, Douglas.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION IN ST. COLUMBA'S PARISH CENTRE - Each Thursday morning after 10.00am Mass. It lasts just about half an hour. *You will be most welcome.* Come along and give it a try. Contact: Parish Office 021 4894128.

COME TO LOURDES AS A YOUNG ADULT HELPER in September - A special Information Evening will take place in Mardyke House, Cork, (T12 W8RP) for those aged between 18 and 25, who would like to travel with the Diocese of Cork and Ross to Lourdes (Sept 20th to 25th) as a Young Adult Helper. The Information Meeting will begin at **7pm on Tuesday 12th March**. It is a wonderful opportunity for a young person to help those pilgrims who require assistance and to grow deeper in their faith by experiencing the unique spirituality of Lourdes. For more information call Sheila on (021) 490 2459 or email sheilakelleher@ucc.ie

NOTICES

"TOTUS TUUS PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA - 30th August - 6th September, 2024. Flights ex Cork. Cost: €815. Spiritual director: Fr. Marius O Reilly. For more information, contact Damien 087-2049048 or Marian Pilgrimages @ 01-8788159".

MEDJUGORE PILGRIMAGE 2024, Direct flights from Cork to Mostar, 29th May - 5th June'24. €795. Price increase to €845 after 2nd Feb '24. Full religious sprogrammed operated by Marian Pilgirmages Medjugorge Team. For more inofrmation please contact: Angela Gowing 087 6140076.

THE MONDAYS OF LENT IN THE WAY OF THE CROSS CHURCH, Togher, at 7.30 p.m. (www.churchservices.tv/togher)

Next Monday we will be on Week 4.

11th March: Fr. Nicholas Motherway SPMS Cork;

18th March: Fr. John Walsh Co P.P. Togher Parish;

25th March: Olive Foley, wife of the late Anthony Foley, Munster Rugby Coach and and an ambassador for the Children's Grief Centre. Fr. John Walsh will be the celebrant.

CORK LIONS CLUB are holding our annual Patrick's Hill Ball Run in aid of the People of Gaza and Local Cork Charities at 2pm on Monday March 18th. It is a fun family event and all are welcome. We will also be collecting old spectacles for recycling to the third world so bring along any old glasses and give them a new lease of life. Please support the fundraiser by buying balls on www.corklionsclub.ie

Feast Days week Commencing 11 Mar '24

ST. AENGUS - Aengus was born at Clonenagh, Co Laois, educated there by St Fintan who is noted for his austere tradition of monasticism, and died there. After his training Aengus first was a hermit at Dysert Beagh and later at Dysert Enos, where he became so well-known for his austerities of prayer, penance and fasting that people called him a Céile Dé, a companion or intimate of God.

Sojourn at Tallaght - So many came to visit him that he eventually sought refuge in the monastery of St Maelruain of Tallaght, where at first he concealed his identity and great knowledge. But his talent was discovered when one day he went to the aid of a young monk student frustrated at a particular lesson.

Martyrologies - Maelruain and Aengus collaborated on The Martyrology of Tallaght (see image above). After Maelruain's death (c. 792) Aengus returned to Clonenagh, where he became abbot and bishop. He later wrote his own Féilire or Festilogium, a calendar of saints, in metrical form. It became one of the chief sources of information for the early Irish saints.

Céilí Dé movement - Both Aengus and Maelruain are regarded as the founders of what came to be known as the Céilí Dé movement, a reform which sought a return to a purer and more ascetical form of monasticism. Aengus died c824 AD.