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

**Sunday 19th May '24**

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

 **DouglasRochestownParish**

[www.douglasrochestownparish.ie](http://www.douglasrochestownparish.ie)

**BAPTISMS**

We welcome to the Christian community the following who were baptised recently: **Patrick John Gilsean**, son of Andrea & Paul, Delford Drive. **Kate Rose Harrington**, daughter of Una & David, Ardfallen Estate. **Bonnie Imelda Waters**, daughter of Alice & Robert, Moneygourney.

**DEATHS**

The deaths took place of the following: **Helen O'Riordan**, South Douglas Road, beloved wife of the late Patrick and loving mother of Máire, Conor, Edmond and Katie. **Kay O'Halloran**, Maryborough Estate, much loved sister of Ita and Ray. **Mary Twomey**, Rathmore Lawn, beloved daughter of the late Brian and Teresa. Loving sister of John. **Deirdre Foley**, Douglas Road, dearly beloved wife of the late Patrick J., adored mother of Hugh, Vivienne, Jean, Patricia, and the late Diane.  
*May they rest in peace. Ar dheis lámh Dé go raibh siad.*

**NEWS DESK**

**FINANCE** The Offertory Collection last Sunday: St. Columba's: €2388, St. Patrick's: €1055. **Second Collection Mission & Ministry: St. Columba's: €1437, St. Patrick's: €450. *Many thanks for your generosity.***

**AN INVITATION TO THE 98<sup>th</sup> CORK EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION.** The 98th Cork Eucharistic Procession to mark the feast of Corpus Christi will take place on **Sunday May 26th**. The procession will leave the North Cathedral at 3pm and make its way through the city to Saints Peter and Paul's where there will be a short liturgy and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Parish groups are encouraged to gather at the Cathedral and to process together under their parish banner. For those who may have mobility issues, you will be able to join the procession at the river side of the Opera House under a Eucharistic Banner. The Stewards will facilitate and direct this group to join the Procession. The media reported that over four thousand people processed in 2023, and it is wonderful to see that the Eucharistic Procession continues to unite people of faith across Cork from many different communities and backgrounds. The procession which will celebrate 100 years in 2026, is a great public witness to our faith in the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. People from Parishes throughout the Diocese and especially those around the city are strongly encouraged to join us for this important event for our city and our people of faith united around the Eucharist.

**NOTICES**

**CORK FLOWER CLUB** are holding a **Floral Art Demonstration** on Tues 21st May in **Douglas GAA hall at 7.30pm**...entitled "**Beauty of Nature**". **Demonstrator: Elizabeth Murray**...There will be sales table of floral art sundries and bric a brac...Visitors are welcome €5.00.

**LOUGH DERG** - 4 day Pilgrimage 2024. Leaves Cork Friday 7th June at 9am. Returning Monday 10th June. Booking & Information Ph. Paddy 021 4502572.

**LECTIO DIVINA** Continues **Mondays @ 2pm**. Not Bible Study, but rather praying with and listening to God's Word. (Gospel of the following Sunday). Venue: St. Columba's Parish Centre, Douglas.

**CORK DIOCESAN PIONEER MASS Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May @ 7.30pm. Church of St. Mary & St. John, Ballincollig.** If you or a member of your family are due to receive an emblem for your Pioneer membership such as Diamond, Golden or Silver Jubilarian or if you would like to join the Pioneers as an Adult or a Young Pioneer, please contact Sorcha Uí Laoghaire at 086 36 42619 / email [sorchaol@gmail.com](mailto:sorchaol@gmail.com) or Aislinn Cogan 087 969 9488 / [Aislinncogan@gmail.com](mailto:Aislinncogan@gmail.com) as soon as possible.

**ALL IRELAND ROSARY RALLY - KNOCK - Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup>.** Join thousands of people from around Ireland and beyond for the All Ireland Rosary Rally on June 1st. The day begins at 9.30am with a Conference in St. John's Centre. Speakers include Fr Brendan Kilcoyne, Fr Joseph Mary Deane CFR, and Sr Ana Margarita Lanzas SCTJM. Then there is a chance to meet over 20 apostolates from around Ireland in St John Centre from 1130am. The keynote speaker, Mother Adela Galindo, is coming from Miami, Florida, and she will speak in the Basilica at 1pm. The Stations of the Cross will be outside from 2pm, followed by the Rosary procession. Mass will commence at 3pm in the Basilica and will include the anointing of the sick. Bishop Phonsie Cullinan will be the Main Celebrant. Dana will join the choir to sing. There will also be rosary and scapular making workshops in the marquee. Over 50 buses are going from around Ireland. See [www.allirelandrosaryrally.com](http://www.allirelandrosaryrally.com) for more details.

**LENS OF THE GOSPEL**

• **Pentecost Sunday**

*'Jesus recognised that his disciples were not capable of taking in everything at once. Wisdom about life comes slowly and sometimes painfully. Hearing the 'right' answer at the 'wrong' time does not help us. We need to be ready and open to receiving the truth if it is to have any impact. Perhaps you can recall some occasions when it was the 'right' time for you to learn a truth about life. Remember your experiences of growth in understanding. The Spirit can guide us to understanding in different settings. Understanding may have come to you when you were praying or reflecting on your life. Perhaps the Spirit guided you through the words of someone close to you, or through the words and actions of people you read about or saw on TV. Remember and give thanks for the people who have helped you to greater wisdom in life. The Spirit also speaks to us through 'the signs of the times'. The church has lived through a troubled decade or two, and society has been through turbulent times with the climate crisis, political unrest, wars and forced migration. How do you think the Spirit is speaking to us at this time? Wisdom is handed on from person to person, and from generation to generation, within families, within communities, etc. Are there any particular gems of wisdom that you cherish from what has been handed on to you? What wisdom would you like most of all to pass on to those close to you?' **Intercom***