

St. Columba's Church Douglas 021-489 4128 (Office) 087-261 7143

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

Douglas Rochestown Parish

Douglas/Rochestown Parish

Sunday 21st Apr '24

St. Patrick's Church Rochestown 021-489 6797 (Office)

Sunday Mass Sun 11.00am & 12.30pm

www.douglasrochestownparish.ie



DEATHS

The death took place of: **Marian McDonald**, Douglas Road, loved wife of the late Philip and much loved mum of Fiona, Ailsa, Philip and Jeanette.*May she rest in peace. Ar dheis lámh Dé go raibh sí.*

SYMPATHY

The sympathy of the parish community is extended to **Patricia Kelleher**, on the recent death of her husband **Pat Kelleher**, Passage West.

NEWS DESK

FINANCE The Offertory Collection last Sunday: <u>St. Columba's</u>: **€2603**, <u>St. Patrick's</u>: **€1445**. *Many Thanks for your generosity*. **2nd Collection this weekend Diocesan Needs.**

NOTICES

CORK ALZHEIMERS CAFÉ a safe place for people with Alzheimers and other dementias, their carers, family and friends along with social and health professionals to meet. Last Friday of each month 11 - 12.30 pm in St Finbarrs Hospital, Douglas Road. Light refreshments provided free of charge. *All welcome*. **Friday 26th April** - Next meeting.

THE CORK AND ROSS DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES will take place from the **20-25th September '24**, 5 Nights Full Board <u>€899pps</u> Ex Cork Airport, under the patronage of Bishop Fintan Gavin. Booking and further information is available from Joe Walsh Tours 01 2410800.

"TOTUS TUUS PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA - 30th August - 6th September '24. 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**. <u>€845</u>. Full religious sprogrammed operated by Marian Pilgirmages Medjugorge Team. FMore info: please contact: Angela Gowing 087 6140076.

ETHIOPIA DEAF PROJECT (EDP/VLM). On Saturday, 18th May, EDP/VLM will host a charity concert at Holy Trinity Church in Cork City (a venue known for its wonderful acoustics) at 7.00pm. We are delighted that the inspirational Whitehorse Gospel Choir, along with solo performers Aine Whelan and U.M.A.N. have generously agreed to participate (for free) in what we hope will be an inspirational night of music and song. I'm sure there will even be an opportunity for your members to Singalong. Tickets (€15) are available online now at: https://tinyurl.com/37ekmkaz or directly from the Sacristy at Holy Trinity Church.

White Horse Gospel Choir - https://www.facebook.com/whitehorsegospelchoir. Áine Whelan - https://www.facebook.com/ainewhelanmusic.

MISSIONARIES OF THE SACRED HEART - "Have you ever dreamed of walking the Camino. Join our team as we walk the shaded lanes and valleys of northern Spain as we take on the **Camino Ingles** walking from Ferrol to Santiago. The temperature in this part of northern Spain **in July** is perfect for walking, like a balmy summer day in Ireland. For more details of this fundraising pilgrimage ring Mary at 021 454 6691 or email mary,morrish@mscmissions.ie

ALL IRELAND ROSARY RALLY - KNOCK - JUN 1st. The All Ireland Rosary Rally is back this year on **SAT, June 1st** in Knock. The day begins with a Marian Conference at 9.30am in St John's Centre. Speakers include: Fr Michael Donnelly, Sr Ana Margarita Lanzas SCTJM, and Fr Joseph Maria Deane CFR. Then there will be an opportunity to meet over 20 apostolates from around Ireland from 11.30am in St John's Centre. A well-renowned speaker from Miami called Mother Adela Galindo will deliver the keynote Rosary talk at 1pm in the Basilica. Then there will be the Stations of the Cross outside at 2pm, followed by the Rosary Procession. Bishop Phonsie Cullinan will be the Main Celebrant of the 3pm Concelebrated Mass which will include Anointing of the Sick. Confessions are available throughout the day, and there will be rosary and scapular-making workshops in the marquee. For more information and to see a list of buses going from around Ireland RosaryRally.com

• Fourth Sunday of Easter 21 April 2024 • Day of Prayer for Vocations

LENS OF THE GOSPEL

'Our relationship with those 'in charge' of us changes when we sense that not only are they in charge, but they care. Remember the difference this made for you as a child and give thanks for the caring adults who were part of your life.

The good shepherd 'lays down his life for the sheep'. When has your care for another led you to 'lay down your life' for that person, e.g., as a friend, parent, spouse, son or daughter? When have you known another to do this for you? Jesus speaks of the freedom of the Good Shepherd in laying down his life. Faced with the needs of others, we can at times feel trapped into looking after them, caught by duty, obligation, or guilt. We can become like the hired hands doing a job without care for the person. Perhaps you have experienced both attitudes, caring for others under duress and caring by your free choice.

What difference did it make when you chose to care for the other, even in circumstances where you had little option?

What do these experiences of love and care in human relationships reveal to you about God's love for you?' Intercom.

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.