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April 28th/29th 2018 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

❖ **Mass for the coming week:** Monday to Friday at 10.00a.m.

First Friday: Friday next is the First Friday of the Month. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place after the 10a.m. until 11.30a.m.

❖ **Fifth Sunday of Easter**

A solitary Christian makes no sense. Every Christian is linked to Christ and to all other Christians. This is made very clear from the words of Jesus in today's gospel: "I am the vine, you are the branches."

First Reading: (Acts. 9:26-31)

This tells us of some of the trials that Paul endured after his conversion.

Second Reading: (1John 3:18-24)

Here John is reflecting on Christ's commandment of love.

Gospel: (John 15:1-8)

Jesus uses the image of the vine and branches to illustrate how close are the ties that bind us to his disciples.

As we rejoice in the Lord, we pray for all families that our love may be real and active, and not just words or mere talk.

❖ An **All-Night Vigil** for the Protection of the Life of the Unborn will take place here on Saturday, 12th May. The vigil will start after the 6.30p.m. Saturday evening Mass and will conclude with Mass on Sunday morning at 9.30a.m. All welcome.

Healing Mass with anointing for the sick and elderly of our parish will take place on Saturday, 26th May at 11.30a.m. Refreshments in the Day Chapel following the Mass. All are welcome.

Thanks to all who contributed to last weekend's collection in support of Priesthood Sunday which amounted to **€1,630.00**.

Our **Parish Pilgrimage to Knock** will be on Saturday, 8th September. Coach leaves from the church at 8a.m. sharp, arrives back approximately 9p.m. See Poster for full details.

As part of our 25th Anniversary celebrations, pupils from 6th Class who received the **Sacrament of Confirmation** on Thursday last were presented with specially designed **Confirmation Certificates** to mark the occasion, incorporating our 25th Anniversary Logo. A similar presentation is planned for those receiving First Holy Communion on 19th May. It is hoped that the Certificates will be a fond reminder of the occasion in the years ahead.

Alzheimer's Tea Day will be held in Castleknock Community Centre on Thursday next 3rd May from 9a.m. to 3p.m. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

❖ **INTENTIONS:**

Saturday:	6.30pm	<u>Memorial Mass</u> Maura Cosgrove, Stephen Faughnan, Michael Fraine, Martin McGrath, Deirdre O'Connor, Patrick O'Driscoll, Dave Spaine
Sunday:	10.00am	Robert Byrne 25 th Anniversary
	11.00am	Séamus Ó'Núnáin Anniversary
	12.15pm	Maura Kearns and Tim Kearns Anniversaries

❖ **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

Claire Kiely (birthday remembrance), Paddy McQuillan, Tom and Margaret Crowe, William and Kathleen Judge, Pauline Murphy, Alan Daffy, Fr. Flan Daffy, Elsie Ryan and Patrick Kavanagh, whose anniversaries occur at this time and all those whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead.