

PARISH of ST. THOMAS the APOSTLE
in partnership with the parishes of Porterstown & Castleknock

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Saturday/Sunday 17/18 MAY 2025

MASS TIMES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Monday to Friday at 10.00am - Saturday Vigil Mass: 6.30pm

Sunday Masses: 9.30am and 11.30am

In Porterstown: Saturday 6pm and Sunday 11am

In Castleknock: Saturday 6pm and Sunday 10am and 12 noon

[Mountview parish have a Sunday evening Mass at 6pm]

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 18th MAY 2025

Of all the commandments that Jesus gave us the one to love is the most important. It includes all others. The only failure in the life of a Christian is the failure to love.

First Reading: (Acts. 14:21-27): Paul and Barnabas retrace their steps encouraging their communities which they had founded.

Second Reading: (Rev. 21:1-5): Taken from the final part of the Apocalypse this opens with a vision of a new world and the new order of things inaugurated by Christ. **Gospel:** (John 13:31-35): During the Last Supper Jesus gives his apostles a new commandment – to love one another as he has loved them.

REFLECTION

It's easy to love at a distance
But not so easy to love at close quarters
It's easier to give a few pounds to relieve famine in Africa
Then to relieve the loneliness of someone living next door
It's easy to love people far away
But not always easy to love those close at hand
Yet these are the people Christ asks us to love
We must begin by loving those near to us
This is where our love must start




LAY MINISTRY APPEAL - The Lay Ministry Appeal takes place this weekend, May 17th /18th and will replace the Share collection.
Please support this important appeal.

ROSARY AT THE GROTTO

Let us gather and pray during the month of May to honour Our Lady and pray for her intentions, pray for world peace, and pray for our own personal intentions. **Location:** St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Laurel Lodge, Castleknock, Dublin 15. **Time:** 5.30pm daily in front of the statue of Our Lady in the church car park.

CONFIRMATIONS – Congratulations to the children from Scoil Thomáis who made their confirmation during the week. May the Holy Spirit guide and strengthen them throughout their lives.

Bealtaine requires **2 Male Vocalists and 2 Female Vocalists** to balance the existing Music Group. Bealtaine sings for just three Sundays every three weeks at the 11.30am Mass. For further information please see flyers on the porch table or contact "Bealtaine" on mobile 086 3346493 and leave a message.

THANK YOU from the SVP - €2,550.26 was collected last weekend. 

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY: 6.30 pm	Enda Mullen (Months Mind) William Brophy (30 th anniversary)
SUNDAY: 9.30 am	Joe Griffin (recently deceased) Special Intention for Monica on her 90 th birthday
SUNDAY: 11.30 am	John Kinsella (anniversary) and remembering Eileen Kinsella

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

EDWARD McGRATH whose funeral took place in our church on Friday
James Hanrahan, Maurice Brennan, Agnes Moroney, Tony O'Hara
(recently deceased)

And those whose anniversaries occur at this time
Leo Gately, Con Dennehy, Brian Reddy, Kathleen Frawley
John Murphy and Anne Evans (birthday remembrance)

