

St. Paul's Parish Ayrfield

Fifth Sunday of Easter - C 19th May 2019



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Just as I have loved you, you must also love one another." ~ John 13:34

Pastors Desk

On the night before he died and just after Judas has left the upper room Jesus gives the rest of the disciples a command and a promise. He tells them to love one another and the guarantee is that people will know that they are his disciples. There is both a challenge and a reassurance. On a later occasion Jesus went as far as to say that we would be judged on the love we show to others.

Living out that commandment to love one another, isn't easy, even within our own families, because we are all imperfect creatures. It's easy to love those who are kind and loving towards us but Christian love calls us to do more than this. No one must be excluded from our loving, even our enemies and those who have hurt us. We all know just how difficult that is though. We are called to recognise God, present in everyone we meet and treat them accordingly. So becoming real Christians is probably the work of a lifetime and not something that happens overnight. It requires a lot of patience on our part.

If we have truly experienced Gods love in our lives and we allow him to enter our hearts, we are asked to share that unconditional love with others and become channels of his grace. The challenge for all of us in today's Gospel is to look at our own lives and into our own hearts to see how we are answering this call to love each other as he loves us.

Fr. Gerry.

A Little Lifetime Foundation (ALLF) will hold a Blessing of Remembrance in Glasnevin Cemetery at the Old Angels Memory Garden on Sunday 26th May at 3.00pm.

This special Blessing of Remembrance is for all parents, family members and friends who lost a baby through miscarriage, stillbirth, cot death or died shortly after birth. We hope you will find some comfort in coming together to remember your baby in a special way. www.alittlelifetime.ie



would like to invite you to join us each Tuesday evening at 8:30 pm in the Parish Church to come and pray the Rosary. St. Paul's Community Choir

will be leading us in singing Hymns to Our Lady.

Our Lady is always close to us. especially when we feel the weight of life with all its problems. ~ Pope Francis



: 6 pm Vigil Saturday

Sundays : 10:30 am & 12:30 pm

Weekdays: Mon, Wed, Thu & Fri. 10 am

Service of the Word with Communion: Tuesday 10am

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First Holy Communion

We congratulate the girls and boys from St. Paul's J.N.S. on the occasion of their First Holy Communion on Saturday morning 18th May.



May they always walk as children of the light and be prepared to share that light with those whom they meet.

We thank their class teachers, Ms. Munnelly and Ms. Fitzpatrick and SNA's Ms. Browne & Ms.McCabe, who did such excellent work in preparing the children for their First Communion. Thanks to our Principal Elaine McNulty who leads her team of teacher so ably.

A special thank you to the children from the third & fourth classes in the Senior School who formed the choir and sang beautifully under the leadership of Ms. Fallon assisted by Ms Dineen, Ms. Di Murro, Ms Downes, Mr. Maher & Ms. McLoughlin and organist Stephen Ruane.

We acknowledge the wonderful work and preparation carried out by the **Do This In Memory Team**, and also to the **Cool Side of God & Ayrfield Youth** groups who sang at each of the monthly masses.

Thanks to Mai our sacristans, Freda our secretary, Peter our Caretaker and to all the volunteers who keep the church in good condition and helped prepare and decorate the church for this special occasion.

St Francis of Assisi Church Priorswood SOLEMN NOVENA TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

FESTIVAL OF FAITH

From Saturday 18th of May to Sunday 26th of May 2019

Sat 18th & Sat 25th of May **6.00pm** Sun 19th of May & 26th of May - **9.30am & 11.30am** Monday 20th – Friday 24th at **10.00am & 7.30pm**

Preachers: Fr Denis Luddy C.S.S.R & Margie Kennedy. See notice board for more details.

<u>Ministry Sunday</u> This weekend, 18th & 19th May, for the first time we are holding a new collection which will be called the *Ministry Sunday Collection*.

This new annual collection will replace the Share Collection and will be devoted to support the building up of new forms of lay ministry in our parishes.

The work of spreading the Gospel of Jesus in our changing religious culture will require more lay men and women working in various ways alongside our priests at the heart of parish communities. The *Ministry Sunday Collection* is about ensuring that we will have the people we need men and women who will be to the fore in making our parishes vibrant faith communities into the future.

While many of those involved will be volunteers, we will have to equip and train leaders and provide facilities for formation. We want to work towards a situation where all parishes in this Archdiocese benefit from their gifts and expertise. The new collection is one-step in that process.

We remember at Mass and in our prayers those who have gone before us



Saturday 18th

(Vigil Mass)

6:00 pm

Joe Bateson

Anniversary

John Cummins

Anniversary

Elizabeth, Denis & Philomena Cummins

Remembrance

Sunday 19th

12:30 pm

Michael & Sylvester Mulvey Anniversaries

Tommy Buckley 100th Birthday Remembrance

Mrs. McHugh

Recently Deceased

Wednesday 22nd

10:00 am

Agnes & Tommy Ryan

Anniversary

Friday 24th

10:00 am

Pearl & Davy Barry

Remembrance

May they rest in peace

Tuesday 21st May Pray the Sorrowful Mysteries of **The Rosary** at **8:30pm** in the Church.

CAD (Community Awareness of Drugs)

in partnership with the HSE are running a

Safe

SafeTALK Suicide Prevention

Training Workshop in the

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Pastoral Centre, St. Paul's Church, Ayrfield

Date: Wed, 5th June 2019 **Time:** 9.30am to 1pm **Training is open to all and is free.**

To reserve a place visit the CAD website on

www.cadaboutdrugs.ie

and follow the relevant links.

See our notice board for more details.

Connecting for Life Dublin Month Dig and County

Trócaire Boxes can be returned to the Sacristy.

Easter Dues.

Envelopes can be returned to the church and placed in

Notice to Coeliacs: If you have been advised to abstain from Gluten, please contact the Priest before Mass so that we can try to accommodate your requirements.