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Fifth Sunday of Easter - 3rd May 2026

This Weekend	May 2nd / May 3rd
7.00 p.m.	Anna Farrell (Nineteenth Anniv).
11.00 a.m.	John Victory (Seventh Anniv).
Weekday Masses @ 11.00 a.m. - Our Lady's Manor	
Next Weekend:	May 9th / May 10th
7.00 p.m.	No Intention.
11.00 a.m.	1. Eddie Hughes. 2. Patrick and Rose Walker, Kilcoursey and deceased family members. 3. Thomas Stakem (Ninth Anniv).

Offertory Collection: Sat 25th April / Sun 26th April - €1,490-sincere thanks.

RECENTLY DECEASED - Please pray for Carmel O'Leary, Barne who died recently. May she rest in peace and rise in glory. Requiescat in pace.



Wedding Jubilees - Edgeworthstown Parish Pastoral Council would like to honour those who are celebrating milestone jubilees of their marriages in 2026. We hope to invite jubilarians for a presentation at evening Mass on Sat May 9th next. If you are celebrating 25, 50, 55 or 60 years of marriage, please let us know so that we can include you in the celebration. Contact details: 043 66 71046 or edgeworthstownparish@gmail.com.

Sunday Scriptures - First Reading - We see the growth of the first Christian community, and how they sorted out in a peaceful manner the problems that inevitably arose.

Second Reading - The Christian community is compared to a building, the foundation stone of which is Christ.

Gospel - This contains part of Jesus' discourse at the last supper. He consoles his friends who are saddened at the thought of his going. He tells them that he is going to prepare a place for them.

SUNDAY REFLECTION - Jesus is our Way, our Truth and our Life. As the Gospel says, to have eternal life is to believe in him whom God has sent. This is a reality for us now and it guides our life, in matters great and small. At the core of this reality is trust, that is, the capacity to entrust all that we have and are to the living God and to his Son, raised from the dead. It is not an accident that the phrase "I believe" occurs no fewer than ninety-eight times in the Fourth Gospel. - St Paul Sunday Missal.

Love

"Love is the foundation and source of friendship, There can be love without friendship, But friendship without love is impossible."

- St Aelred of Rievaulx

"The impulse of love that leads us to the doorway of a friend is the voice of God within and we need not be afraid to follow it."

- Agnes Sanford

"To love someone is to reveal to them their value and help them discover that they are precious."

- Jean Vanier

• Thought for the Day •

'He's the life of the party' is a compliment of high regard in certain circles. He's the spark plug, the guarantee for an entertaining evening. If he's not there, a deflated feeling hangs in the air and everybody wonders if there isn't a better way to be spending their time.

A life lived with Jesus is never dull. He is the 'Life' of more than just a party. The Christian with an intense relationship with Christ is completely fulfilled - she is never bored, nor is she boring. - epriest.com - INTERCOM

• Baptised and Sent •

Baptism was repeatedly cited as a reminder that every member of the Church has a value and role. 'There is growing concern that the importance of Baptism is being overlooked.

We must rediscover and deepen our understanding of our baptismal calling.' This vision of Church identity, anchored in baptism, was seen as foundational for dignity, mission, and inclusion.

Another submission affirmed that 'Baptism is the foundation of our faith-life and calls us to share our gifts within the Church, that is: laity and clergy sharing responsibility.'

A greater understanding of baptism was sought to support participation in ministry, inclusion of the so-called marginalised, and to recall the Church's identity as the Body of Christ where all are equal in dignity and called to holiness.

Some named it as the Sacrament of Initiation that 'welcomes us into the family of Christ' and 'opens the pathway to living a Christian life and serving the Church, whether as ordained ministers or as lay people.'

Renewing this baptismal awareness was seen as essential to revitalising parish life and ensuring that 'shared responsibility within the Church should emerge naturally' from this common foundation. - Baptised and Sent - INTERCOM

The Popes Monthly Intention - *That everyone might have food:* Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

Words of Wisdom:

Aesop, the philosopher of the Fables, was asked one day what was the most useful thing in the world. 'The tongue,' he replied. And what (they asked) is the most harmful thing in the world? 'The tongue,' he replied once more.

Pope Leo - *"Let us disarm words and we will help to disarm the world."*

1. Nature has given to man one tongue, but two ears, that we may hear from others as much as we speak.
2. It takes a great man/woman to make a great listener.
3. A good listener is not only popular everywhere, but after a while he knows something.
4. To be a judicious and sympathetic listener will go far toward making you an agreeable companion, self-forgetful, self-possessed, but not selfish enough to monopolise the conversation.

THE WAY is a new digital multimedia platform recently set up by the Irish Bishops. Take a look at: theway.ie

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION - Parish Holy Hour in Our Lady's Manor on Saturdays from 9.45 a.m. to 10.45a.m.

READERS OF THE WORD OF GOD - MAY

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Eoghan Noonan.

Sunday 11.00 a.m.: Anne Mulligan.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST - May

Saturday 7.00p.m.: Diane Spillane, Maura Coyle.

Sunday 11.00 a.m.: John Cahill, Kathleen Dowler.

Please arrange a substitute if you cannot be present.

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For Tom Haskin