



The Vincentian Community



**ST. VINCENT'S
CASTLEKNOCK COLLEGE**

Statement from the Vincentian Community and St Vincent's Castleknock College

The Vincentian Community and St Vincent's Castleknock College are aware of recent allegations in the media against Vincentian priests. These priests also worked in the College in the past.

Fr Donal Gallagher was a part time chaplain in the College during the 1970s and 1980s and Fr James Harbison was a teacher in the College in the 1970s and was retired in the College later in the 1980s and 1990s.

Both the Vincentian Community and the College wish to offer our support to anyone who was harmed during their time in Castleknock and we encourage them to contact us. We are fully committed to helping anyone who suffered abuse in any way we can.

If anyone has a concern on any child safeguarding issue they can contact An Garda Síochána, Túsla, the College or the Provincial Office of the Vincentian Community.

The Vincentian Community's safeguarding policies and contact details are available at: <https://vincentians.ie/safeguarding-children-policy-and-procedures/>

The College's safeguarding policies and contact details are available on the website at: <https://www.castleknockcollege.ie/parents/parents-policies/>

Fr Paschal Scallon CM, Provincial, Vincentian Community and Chairperson of the Trustees

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