



Skerries Parish Bulletin

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Saturday / Sunday Mass August 1st / 2nd August 2026.

Isaiah 55: 1-3, Psalm 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18. Romans 8;35, 37-39. Gospel Matthew 14: 13-21.

As the day ended and hunger set in, the disciples ask Jesus to dismiss the crowds. But Jesus surprises, showing his mercy and compassion for those who are hungry. He invites his disciples to provide for the large crowd. Hunger is not foreign to the preaching of the Kingdom and the message of salvation. On the contrary, it speaks to our relationship with God. Five loaves and two fish seem completely inadequate to feed the people. The disciples' calculation seems reasonable. But it also reveals a lack of faith. For where the Lord is present, we find all that we need to give strength and meaning to our lives. Jesus responds to the appeal of hunger with the sign of sharing; he raises his eyes, recites the blessing, breaks the bread and feeds all present.



The Lord's example is a yardstick that should guide our actions and our services. We are called to share our bread to multiply hope and to proclaim the coming of God's Kingdom.

Scripture Group

ANNIVERSARY / SPECIAL INTENTION MASSES

- ✦ **Sat 1st 10am:** Pauline McBride
- ✦ **Sat 1st 6pm:** Barry Craig (1st A), Bernie Kinsella, Ellen & Christopher Fanning, Bill & Kathleen Kinsella, Jim Martin, Pat McNally
- ✦ **Sun 2nd 9.30am:** Barry Craig (1st A), Colm Keogh, William & Sadie Johnston
- ✦ **Sun 2nd 11am:** Tom McManus, Bernadette Dennis, Kathleen Everard, Bill Foran, Kay Coleman McGilloway, Peggy & Francie Ferguson
- ✦ **Mon 3rd 11am:** Mass Card Intentions
- ✦ **Tues 4th 10am:** Bob Loughlin
- ✦ **Wed 5th 10am:** Tony Boyle (1st A), Rose Farrell
- ✦ **Fri 7th 10am:** First Friday - Altar List
- ✦ **Fri 7th 7.30pm:** Padre Pio Mass
- ✦ **Sat 8th 10am:** Maura Fagan (MM)
- ✦ **Sat 8th 6pm:** Joe Smyth (MM), Sheila & Laurence McNally
- ✦ **Sun 9th 9.30am:** Paddy McGrath, James & Josephine Dillon, John Archbold
- ✦ **Sun 9th 11am:** Pauline Treleaven, Christy Grimes, Alan, Jim & Brian Tierney (Rem), Brendan & Jenny Memery, Miriam Keogh, Paddy & Ailish O'Brien

WE WELCOME

Luca Dwyer Coleman, Tommy McMahon, Leo Antonio McIlwaine and Alice Gavin – all baptised into our parish family.



WEDDINGS



Congratulations to our newly married couples – Daniel Hayes & Abbie Walsh; Chris Pollis & Joanne Collins; Patrick Sweeney & Louise Coleman – all recently married in St Patrick's Church.

FEASTDAYS

1st August: St Alphonsus Liguori
4th August: St John Vianney
6th August: The Transfiguration of the Lord
8th August: St Dominic

MONDAY BANK HOLIDAY

This Monday 3rd August is a Bank Holiday – morning Mass will be celebrated at **11am instead of the usual time of 10am.**

Also, on the evening of Friday 7th August **the Padre Pio Mass** will be celebrated at 7.30pm concluding with blessing with the relic of St. Padre Pio.

Many thanks for your support of the priests of the Archdiocese through your contributions throughout the year. Just a reminder **Summer Dues envelopes** are available throughout the church. You may return these dues either by placing them in the collection baskets during Mass or leaving them into the office at your convenience.

Coffee Morning to support the
Capuchin Day Centre for
homeless people in Dublin at
'Portziuncula', 27 Church Street, Skerries on
Wednesday 5th August, 10.00am to 1.00pm.
All Welcome.



- The local graveyards were being blessed and we were reminded that it was an opportunity to celebrate the memory of those who had died
- Archbishop Connell had signed a petition to introduce the cause for the beatification of Frank Duff, founder of the Legion of Mary; Anybody with useful information which might promote the cause was invited to contact Archbishop Connell's office
- Local RNLI was holding its annual collection today
- Tidy Towns was looking forward to a second judging and the forthcoming Entente Florale judging. The cooperation of every towns person was sought to keep the town litter-free

Good results from the two ladies teams last week. Also best wishes to Moe Hogan and Eoin Johnson who are contesting Leinster finals this weekend. Also congrats to Moe Hogan, Pat Redmond and Mark O'Leary who have reached the finals of the Leinster Senior Trips.

And finally.....Congrats to MAYO
!!!!!!!!!!!!!!.....SAM at last!!

While we are still enjoying this warm weather, take the HSE advice to protect ourselves and our loved ones –

Slide on sunglasses. Guard your eyes from harm by wearing sunglasses with UV protection.

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