

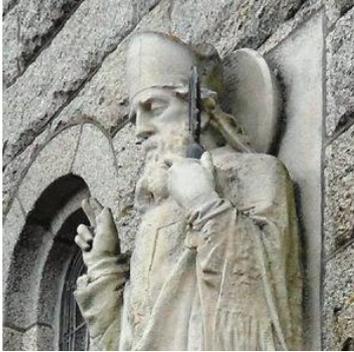


Skerries Parish Bulletin

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15th-22nd March, 2026

Feast of St. Patrick, Principal Patron of Ireland



This week we celebrate the feast of our principal patron saint – St. Patrick. This is a day of pride as we celebrate our Christian tradition – our Christian faith. This faith we share came to us in many ways and via many routes and relationships. It has been said that faith is something that’s caught not taught. Our faith journey is through parents, family, and friends. It is strengthened through our community and the relationships we build. It could be said that we are drawn into it. We did not just suddenly wake up with faith. It has come to us through others.

The Spirit guided St. Patrick to return to Ireland to awaken faith in the hearts of the Irish he encountered. He used simple methods and continued to share with others the nature and heart of his faith – Christ. They could see the difference Christ made to his life and realised they too could have this personal relationship with God. It is the wheat that nourishes us and we are challenged to be that wheat in our world despite the darnel we may encounter.

Fr. Melvyn

Our Sympathy



is sent to the families of Laura Hennessy, Downside Heights and Eileen Daly, Blackhills who died during the past week. May they Rest in Peace.

Anniversary/Special/Intentions:

Sat. 14th: 10am Mary Coffey, Maureen Walls
6pm: Jimmy Coleman, Eddie Coleman, Margaret O’Grady, Francis Ryan, Richard & Mary Maguire, Mary McDonagh, Leo & Kathleen Tolan

Sun. 15th 9.300am: Oliver Moore, Kevin Earley, Peter Doyle, Esther Kelly, Margaret & Maurice Wynne, Peter Keeley

11am: Gerry Harper (month’s mind), Meta, Michael & Joan Rice, Mary Rice, Vincent O’Rourke (rem), Gerard Boland(rem), Mary Burke

Mon. 16th: 10am: Mass Card Intentions

Tues. 17th: 10am: Leo Heffernan, Terry O’Reilly, Paddy O’Brien

Wed. 18th:10am: May & Joey Sherwin, Annie Wright, Margaret & Hannah Martin,
Fri. 20th 10 a.m.: Rory Ward, Jane Healey (1st anniv)

Sat. 21st: 6pm Sarah & Margaret McGuinness, Brian Taylor & decd mbrs of the Taylor & McKenna families, dec. mbrs of the McElligott &

Smith families, Patricia ‘Patsy’ & William Horrigan (rem), Patricia Henry, Jenny Hyland

Sun. 22nd: 9.30am Michael McKenna, Joe Murray, Shelagh Douglas, Patrick Dunleavy, Annie Leonard

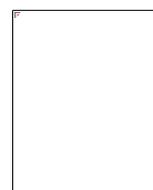
11am Noel Russell, Mona Wall, Mike Flannery (BR), John & Stella McAllister, Joe & Bridie Conroy

Feast Days:

17th Mar – St. Patrick, Patron of Ireland and our Parish

19th Mar – St. Joseph,

21st Mar – St. Enda



St. Patrick’s Day:

Mass on St. Patrick’s Day will be at **10 a.m..** There will be **no** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament this Tuesday.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Monthly collection for the St. Vincent de Paul will take place this weekend, Saturday 14th and Sunday 15th March. All contributions greatly appreciated.

Well done !

To all the boys and girls from 2nd classes, preparing for First Communion this coming May, who attended their Bridge Mass last Sunday.

A Big Thank You!

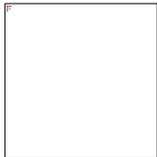
The O'Reilly family would like to say a big thank you to all who contributed so generously to our recent fundraiser in aid of the Oesophageal Cancer Fund, Lollipop day 2026. A total of €1,045 was raised on the day. We would especially like to thank Tom Stafford and the staff of C&T supermarket, who kindly let us collect outside their shop and also inside the premises when the weather deteriorated on the day. Thanking you all for your generosity to this great cause.

Easter Cards



are now on sale in the Parish Shop. All proceeds to the Trócaire Lenten Appeal, which this year supports the women of Rwanda. 70% of women are involved in the agricultural industry and are often the primary earners for their families.

Daffodil Day 2026



Daffodil Day takes place on Friday 20th March. Please support this very worthy charity. Could you shake a bucket for an hour? Contact 087-4185121

Sharpen your wits and come along

To Skerries Town Twinning's Table Quiz on Friday 27th in Skerries Harps Clubhouse. Tables of 4: €40 (can be reserved in advance at skerriestwinning@gmail.com). Funds raised will help finance a visit in July from some 30 French friends.

Good Wishes



to all who will take part in the Skerries Races this weekend – 10 k Road Race, Eurospar Mile and Junior Races – something for all runners. Come out and cheer the participants on. Be prepared

for some traffic diversions, particularly near ETNS.

Skerries Ladies Bowls

Another good morning for the ladies last Monday. Unfortunately, some matches cancelled due to the wet weather. Hopefully our Div. 4 team will have a good win next week in their postponed match - it's all to play for in their league.

Skerries Town Twinning

We have a request from a 19 year old student who would like to correspond on line/video link with someone of the same age via the Language

Buddy scheme. Details from skerriestwinning@gmail.com

30 years ago in the Parish

Shamrock was on sale after all Patrick's Day Masses in aid of two local charities

Our local Women's Forum group was meeting to discuss how women's voices might be heard in the Church

The Community Centre was undertaking a study on expanding its emphasis on our youth Skerries Tidy Towns was taking part in a North/South initiative to find the tidiest town in the 32 counties. Judging to take place in May Blood Transfusion Service coming to the Windmill this week

Well done to the local athletes who took part in the Northside League – overall trophy winners.

SKERRIES HARPS GAA CLUB

Men's Senior Footballers lost their opening Dublin AFL1 game to Kilmacud Crokes by 5 points.

Adult Hurlers play Kevins at home at 10:30am on Sunday 15th.

Easter Hurling and Camogie Camp to run April 1st and 2nd. Entry €10. 3rd - 6th class. Sign-up at skerriesharps.clubzapevents.com.

2026 Membership now available on skerriesharps.ie.

ZINGO: 8th March result - 5-21-27-28 No jackpot or dividend winners. Jackpot now €2,900. Draw on Sunday at 6pm. Join online or on the night by envelope. See www.skerriesharps.com/zingo.

BINGO: Next Bingo is on Monday 23rd March at 8pm. Jackpot €1,050.

St. Patrick's Day Parade

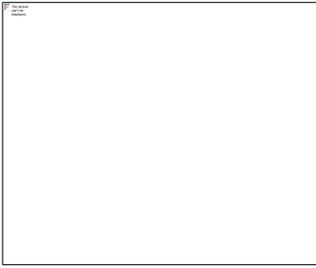
Hopefully we will have a fine day for the Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade. Beginning at 3 p.m.. it will feature many of our local sports and social groups. Come out and cheer them on !

Have you visited our new Library ?

Besides providing books and study space, there is a wide variety of weekly activities going on. Drop in and see what you might find.

Là Fhéile Pádraig

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