



# Skerries Parish Bulletin

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5<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> October 2025

**Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2:2-4, 2 Timothy 1:6-8,13-14, Psalm 94, Luke 17:5-10.**  
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C.

**The Apostles said to Jesus  
'Increase our Faith'**

Faith is like a mustard seed – small, and sometimes we may be tempted to wait till our faith grows. Today's gospel encourages us to use the faith we have even though it may be small. By using what we have we grow in belief in ourselves and in God's presence in our lives.



We have all felt the absence of God as we faced injustice and suffering. We have prayed, 'Where are you God? Why is God allowing this to happen? How long do I have to wait?' Losing fervour and having to rekindle our faith in God is not unknown in the Christian Community throughout the Ages. Faith, like love, involves waiting and trusting. We grow in faith by desire and practice, desire for God and the practice of prayer. St Paul, writing to Timothy, reminds us to guard and cherish the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

Pope Francis in his book Let Us Dream, wrote 'We are born, beloved creatures of our Creator, God of love. We belong to God and to one another.'

*I trust in You , O Lord,  
You are my God.  
Psalm 31:14*

**Scripture Group**

## ANNIVERSARY / SPECIAL INTENTION MASSES

- ✦ **Sat 4<sup>th</sup> 10am:** Josephine & James Dillon, George O'Connor, Anna Jones (BR)
- ✦ **Sat 4<sup>th</sup> 6pm:** Dermot Carroll (MM), Dermot Higgins, Patrick Leonard, Florence "Florrie" Casey, Nancie Cauldwell, Denis O'Gorman
- ✦ **Sun 5<sup>th</sup> 9.30am:** Charlie & Mary Martin, Hugh McDonnell, Teresa, Richard, Dora & Terry Bennett
- ✦ **Sun 5<sup>th</sup> 11am:** Rosanna Carolan (1<sup>st</sup> A), Maeve Counihan (1<sup>st</sup> A) Una Ryan (RD), Desmond Frazer, Sheila & Sonny McNamara
- ✦ **Mon 6<sup>th</sup> 10am:** Mass Card Intentions
- ✦ **Tues 7<sup>th</sup> 10am:** Una Karai nee Ryan (RD) Balcunnin, Patrick Monks, Nancy Dunne
- ✦ **Wed 8<sup>th</sup> 10am:** Chriss & Sheila McDonough
- ✦ **Fri 10<sup>th</sup> 10am:** Jack, Gertie & the McMahan family
- ✦ **Sat 11<sup>th</sup> 6pm:** Annie Scully (MM), Jim Coleman (MM), Michael White, Seamus Murphy, Nina Brennan, Nora Henneberry, Pat McDonagh

- ✦ **Sun 12<sup>th</sup> 9.30am:** Gabrielle Whelton, Rose Grimes
- ✦ **Sun 12<sup>th</sup> 11am:** Antonia "Nan" Heyenga (1<sup>st</sup> A), William Hoare, Charles Flanagan, Joe, Margaret & Joseph Howard, Theresa Maher, Patrick Coleman

## FEASTDAYS

- 4<sup>th</sup> October – St Francis of Assisi; 7<sup>th</sup> October – Our Lady of the Rosary; 11<sup>th</sup> October – St Canice

## HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION 2026

Enrolment - If you are a parent of a child in 2<sup>nd</sup> class, or 6<sup>th</sup> class, and you wish them to celebrate these sacraments this year, you will need to enrol them, using the Enrolment Form on the Parish Website. N.B. you will need to attach a scanned copy or photo of the child's Baptism Certificate to the form to submit it.

### NOVEMBER ALTAR LIST

Altar List of the Dead envelopes are available in the church for those who wish to avail of them. Every 1<sup>st</sup> Friday each month we offer the 10 o'clock Mass for these our deceased loved ones.

### CHILDREN'S CHOIR/ALTAR SERVERS



The Children's Choir will be returning soon. If you have a child, 2<sup>nd</sup> class upwards who is interested you can still register – come along to the practice on Friday evening in the church at 4pm or contact the parish office for further info. If you would like to join the Altar Servers - application forms are available in the office now - you need to have received your 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion and training will be given.

### 30 YEARS AGO IN THE PARISH

- Information on the forthcoming Divorce Referendum was given
- 6<sup>th</sup> years from Holy Faith/de la Salle College were going on 3-day retreat to Emmaus
- Tidy Towns had won 1<sup>st</sup> prize in Fingal County Council's Tidy Districts competition and the Community Centre won the prize for best community centre
- Congratulations to St. Patrick's Jun School who won 1<sup>st</sup> prize for their environmental project
- Active Retirement Association was planning a trip to My Fair Lady in the Gaiety
- Details of the extended Child Benefit allowance was available at the Citizens Information Centre
- Spotlight on Skerries Arts Week was underway with a variety of events planned

### SKERRIES LADIES BOWLS

The Autumn Monday morning competition got underway last Monday with 24 lady competitors. Not too late to join in at any stage, so sign in by 10.15 (either text or in person) and we'll get going as early as possible. €2 per session. Tea and goodies afterwards. Winter Leagues - Skerries has entered one Saturday team and two Thursday morning teams - to start later this month. The Club championships continue. New members always welcome.

### SKERRIES RNLI

Help Save Lives at Sea. Join Skerries RNLI - Fundraising and Retail roles available. Are you enthusiastic, community minded and ready to make a real difference? Our lifeboat engagement crew at Skerries RNLI are looking for volunteers to help raise the vital funds that keep us always ready to save lives on the water. To find out more contact [charlottetoner@rnli.org.uk](mailto:charlottetoner@rnli.org.uk). Be part of something extraordinary. Volunteer with the RNLI.

### SKERRIES FORGET ME NOT CAFÉ

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October, 11am – 1pm at Skerries Harps GAA, Dublin Road. The café is free of charge and open to people living with dementia, their families, carers and friends. Come for tea and biscuits, a chat, or to meet others on a similar journey. More information from [skerriesforgetmenotcafe@gmail.com](mailto:skerriesforgetmenotcafe@gmail.com) or phone/text to 083 1192972.

### SKERRIES HARPS GAA CLUB



Minor footballers qualified for Championship quarter final by defeating Fingal Ravens and our Under 16 camogie have qualified for championship semi-final.

Juvenile Academy every Saturday at 9.45am - for boys and girls aged over 4 years.

Register with our Games Promotion Officer, Lauren at [www.skerriesharps.com/academy](http://www.skerriesharps.com/academy).

Sun 5 Oct: Under 15 football B team play Fingallians at 10.30 and A team play St Brigids at 12.00 both at home on Townparks pitch; Minor hurlers play Na Fianna, away at 11 am in Championship.

Congrats to Joan Kehoe, winner of Captains Day Golf outing. Good luck to 2026 captain Loreto Lynch who succeeds Larry Gaffney. Next up is annual Charity outing Mon 29 Dec. ZINGO 28 Sept. 2, 4, 6, 5, 1, 7, 3. No winner. Jackpot is now €1,600. Draw on Sunday at 6pm with Free In-house draw.

Play Zingo online via link on front page of [www.skerriesharps.com](http://www.skerriesharps.com).

BINGO – next Bingo Night is Monday 6 October at 8pm with a Jackpot of €1,250.

### LOST & FOUND

Black Yeti water flask, jacket, selection of glasses and sunglasses, hats, gloves – all in parish office for collection.