

Skerries Parish Bulletin

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27 July to 3 August 2025

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time.

Genesis 18;20-32, Psalm 138, Colossians 2;12-14, Luke 11;1-13
Learning to Pray; The Lord's Prayer.

Today's readings focus on the theme of prayer, God's mercy and the importance of seeking God's will. The first reading discusses Abraham's intercession for Sodom and Gomorrah highlighting God's willingness to show mercy if even a few righteous people can be found. The second reading speaks about being buried and raised with Jesus through baptism and the forgiveness of sin. In today's gospel Jesus teaches his disciples to pray, encourages them to persevere in prayer and not to lose heart. In this short simple form of The Lord's Prayer we can see that this prayer has all that we need. We praise God. We acknowledge that we want what God wants, and we trust him to look after us. We recognise our need for forgiveness and our willingness to forgive. Forgiveness is a gift. We can receive it only if we give it away. It is not a tit for tat exchange. We ask that in the life of faith we will not be pressured to give up our faith.



God, you have made us for yourself. Give us a deeper hunger for your presence in our lives.


Scripture Group

Anniversary / Special Intention Masses

- ✦ **Saturday 26th 10.00am:** Sheila Waters, Bill Baker.
- ✦ **6.00pm:** Mark Comey (1st A), Raymond O'Neill (1st A), Jim Hyland, Christy Casey, Teresa Donaghy, Benjamin Farrell (BR), Peggy and Paddy Coleman.
- ✦ **Sunday 27th 9.30am:** Thomas Ellis, Bridget Ellis, Greta Kelly, Peter Barry (RD), Patrick and Margaret Lynch and decd. family members.
- ✦ **11.00am:** Tom McManus, Breda Kennedy, Teddy Treleaven, Peggy McGirl, Kay Coleman McGilloway, Benjamin Farrell, Saoirse Dowd.
- ✦ **Monday 28th 10.00am:** Mass Card Intentions
- ✦ **Tuesday 29th 10.00am:** Patrick 'Paddy' McCormack.
- ✦ **Wednesday 30th 10.00am:** Patricia Jenkinson, Esther Kelly, Joe Dowling, Patrick Murray, Special Intention.
- ✦ **Friday 1st 10.00am:** First Friday – Altar List.

- ✦ **Saturday 2nd 10.00am:** Martin O'Farrell (MM).
- ✦ **6.00pm:** Eileen Rooney (MM), Pauline McBride (1st A), Bernie Kinsella, Bill and Kathleen Kinsella (Rem), Ellen and Christopher Fanning (Rem), Pat McNally, Jim Martin.
- ✦ **Sunday 3rd 9.30am:** Robert Walshe (1st A).
- ✦ **11.00am:** Bernadette Dennis (1st A), Colm Keogh (1st A), Mary and Liam Cody, Kathleen Everard, Sadie and William Johnston, Bill Foran, Alan, Brian and Jim Tierney (Rem).

Our Sympathy is extended to the families and

 friends of Craig Sweetman, Mornington, Co. Meath (late of Golf Links Rd. Skerries), and John Kingston, Quay St. who died recently. May they Rest in Peace.

Dates to Note: 1st August – First Friday - Altar list. Padre Pio Mass at 7.30pm

Feast Days

26th July – Ss. Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary,

29th July – Ss. Martha, Mary of Lazarus,

31st July – St Ignatius of Loyola,

1st August – St. Alphonsus Liguori

Summer Dues

The Summer Dues appeal lasts throughout the summer. This dues collection supports the priests of the Archdiocese and your help with it is much appreciated. Summer Dues envelopes are available in the church.

Pathways: Exploring Faith And Ministry

Registration for this two-year adult faith development course is now open. This is a two year course for adults of all ages who wish to explore and learn more and grow in their faith. It takes place on Thursday evenings starting September 2025 until April 2026 in St. Patrick's DCU Campus. More details available on www.missionministry/pathways/.

Skerries Ladies Bowls

Because of the dreadful rain last Monday there was no roll-up, but come along this Monday. Our sympathy to club member Tony Sweetman on the very sad death of his son, Craig, RIP.

Skerries Mills, Date for your Diary:

Harvest Festival takes place on Saturday 23rd August from 11.00am to 5.00pm. This outdoor Festival will kick off with Ukulele Strummers and will also include harvesting of the crops, harvesting knot-making, music, crafts for kids and face painting. Naturally, this event is weather dependent so let's all pray for a dry day!

Skerries Mills Farmers Market - every SATURDAY 10.00am-3.00pm

Our market is a community market, held every Saturday in the courtyard in Skerries Mills. Each sale, no matter how big or small, is a big support for small local businesses who put their heart and soul into their products. We love chatting, getting to know you and you getting to know us.

30 Years Ago in the Parish

- Blessing of the Boats took place, with 12 noon Mass in the Church and the boats being blessed at 3.00pm.
- Holmpatrick Parish welcomed a new Minister, Rev. Ronald Watts and his family.
- Skerries Community Choir was holding a special meeting regarding their participation in Voices of the World.
- The local Pioneer Association was organising an outing to Glendalough this coming weekend.
- Water Safety Week was taking place with life saving classes each day.
- Our local Citizens Information Centre was closing for August.
- Tidy Towns committee was encouraging everybody to be extra vigilant about litter at this time of judging - everybody urged to join in the effort.

Skerries Harps GAA Club



Adult hurlers won their opening championship game v Clan na Gael and play Faughs in Skerries on Sunday morning.

The Clubhouse will be open for

the All Ireland Football final Kerry v Donegal on Sunday afternoon.

Sun 27th Junior Hurling A championship v Faughs, home at 11.00am

Wed 30th Junior Hurling G championship v O'Tooles, home at 7.30pm.

Check fixtures on www.skerriesharps.ie

A few places remain for Academy Camp on 5 - 8 August and for our Advanced Camp on 6 - 7 August.

ZINGO Result 20th July: 5, 4, 6, 1, 2, 7, 3.

No winners. Jackpot now €3,600. Play online. Draw on Sunday at 6.30pm with free in-house draw for Spot Prizes.

Annual Golf Classic on Friday 1st August at Skerries GC. Tee times now available.

Next BINGO – Monday 11th August at 8.00pm with Jackpot of €1,100.