



Skerries Parish Bulletin

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25 May – 01 June 2025

Readings: Acts 15: 1-4, 22-29; Ps: 66: 2-3, 5-6, 8; Apoc: 21-10-14, 22-23; Jn 14; 23-29.

“Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.”



As the Easter season continues, we are invited to celebrate with heartfelt devotion these days of joy. As Jesus shared His last supper, He promised His disciples present that His Advocate, the Holy Spirit would teach them everything and remind them of all that He had said to them. Later, they experienced the power of that Spirit. However, the liturgical readings today recount some of the challenges the disciples encountered as they went about their mission of communicating the truth of who Jesus was.

As followers of Christ, we too are commissioned, through our Baptism, to make Jesus known. The powerful Holy Spirit has been poured out on us just as it was on the disciples. How do we respond? Do we leave it to the ordained or the selected few to share the good news? Through the gospel we hear what Jesus wants us to teach. He calls us to love courageously and not to be afraid. Courage does not erase suffering. The disciples suffered through their efforts to bring the news of the resurrection of Jesus, the forgiveness of sins and the promise of life eternal to those around them. The resistance we experience when we try to share our faith may cause us some hardship. However, remember, we are never alone. The Holy Spirit is always with us! Let us praise you, O God!

Holy Faith Sisters

ANNIVERSARY / SPECIAL INTENTION MASSES

- ✦ **Sat 24th 10am:** Dolores Maguire
- ✦ **Sat 24th 6pm:** Breda McGloughlin, Jim & Lily Scanlan, John Thornton
- ✦ **Sun 25th 9.30am:** Malachy & Theresa Murray, Bishop Nicholas Grimley, Lily Grimley, Pat, Hannah & Noel McGuinness
- ✦ **Sun 25th 11am:** Kathleen Power, Matt & Marie Grimes, Vincent Sharpe, Bridie & Johnny Shankey
- ✦ **Mon 26th 10am:** Mass Card Intentions
- ✦ **Tue 27th 10am:** Carmel McMahon, Paul & Claire Dubewski (40th Wedding A)
- ✦ **Wed 28th 10am:** Richard Berwick, John Conlan, Sheila 'Cecilia' McGuinness Bernadette Murphy
- ✦ **Fri 30th 10am:** Thomas Clarke, Francie Ferguson
- ✦ **Sat 31st 10am:** Ann McGee (1st A), Philip Matthews, John Wiley
- ✦ **Sat 31st 6pm:** Gerald Boland (MM), Joe McGarry, Dolores Burke, May & Tom Redmond, Philip Matthews
- ✦ **Sun 1st June 9.30am:** Pam Dempsey (1st A), Cecily Murray, Brian Peters (BR) Mary McDonough, Michael & Margaret Lynch & decd. family members
- ✦ **Sun 1st June 11am:** Patrick Kenny (1st A),

Eugene McCarthy (1st A), Jean Treleaven (BR) & decd. members of the McMorro family, Joe & Kathleen Tyndall, Oonagh Whittle, Bridie & Michael Dennis.

OUR SYMPATHY



To the families of Mary Hughes, Lorcan Rd, Santry & Anne Tyndall, Shenick Ave, Skerries who died recently.
May they Rest in Peace.

FEASTDAYS

- 26th May** – St. Philip Neri
- 31st May** – The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 1st June** – The Ascension of the Lord

DATE TO NOTE

25th May – Sea Sharps Concert at **2pm** in St. Patricks Church.

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES 2025

- Sunday 1st June:** Holmpatrick at 2.30pm
Baldungan at 4pm
- Sunday 8th June:** Ardla at 2.30pm
Milverton at 4pm

ALTAR SERVERS

Congratulations to our new Altar Servers who will be commissioned during the 11am Mass this **Sunday 25th May**. We wish them and our new Altar Server Team - Orlagh Bowers, Doreen Markwell and Kym Fitzsimons - prayers and every good wish for the future. Remember once you have celebrated your Holy Communion you can join the Altar Servers - boys and girls. You will be given all the help and training you need. Members of the Altar Server team will be at the rear of the church after the 11am Mass this Sunday - please have a chat with them about joining up. Application Forms are available in the Parish Office as well.

DUBLIN DIOCESAN PASTORAL COUNCIL

The members of the Dublin Diocesan Pastoral Council were commissioned by Archbishop Dermot Farrell during the 11am Mass in St. Mary's, Pro-Cathedral on Sunday last - Lay Ministry Sunday. This is the first of its kind in the archdiocese and we wish them every blessing for their term of service. May the Spirit continue to guide them and help them discern for the needs of our archdiocese into the future.

ALL IRELAND ROSARY RALLY – KNOCK 7TH JUNE

Over 10,000 pilgrims are expected at the 40th All-Ireland Rosary Rally on Saturday, June 7th at Knock Shrine. Events begin at 9.30am with a Marian Conference and conclude with a Pentecost Vigil and Healing Service from 8–10pm. Highlights include a Rosary making workshop, a 250-person Rosary formation for filming. Keynote address at 1pm by Msgr. Steve Rossetti, USA. Rosary Procession led by children follows the Stations of the Cross at 2.30pm, with Holy Mass at 3pm celebrated by Bishop Donal McKeown.

Music by Dana. A youth conference runs 6 – 7.30pm. Rosary Rally ends with a Croagh Patrick climb and Mass on Sunday at noon.

SKERRIES ANNUAL WILD BEE FESTIVAL 20-22 JUNE

Friday 20th- Film Screening and live music.
Saturday/Sunday: Guided Walks, Talks and Workshops, Face painting, Arts & crafts, Scientific hands-on activities with

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See skerriesbees.eventbrite.ie for details.

SKERRIES LADIES BOWLS

Congratulations to our lady members who have won their way through to the second round of the LBA competitions. Monday morning roll-up continues - warm-up and play from 10.30am.

30 YEARS AGO IN THE PARISH

- Active Retirement Association was planning an outing to the Japanese Gardens
- Best wishes to the children from St. Patrick's, Réalt na Mara and Milverton who were playing in Croke Park this coming week
- "Who's Afraid of Virginia Wolf?" presented by the Marian Society was taking place in The Windmill
- Congratulations to the ladies of Skerries Tennis Club who won the final of the Fingal League, Class 2 tournament.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS SPECIAL COLLECTION

Annual Special Olympics collection was held outside Gerry's Supermarket on Friday May 7th. Once again, the people of Skerries have been so generous, and the total amount collected on the day was **€1,601.00** - a wonderful total. A huge THANK YOU to all who contributed.

SKERRIES HARPS GAA CLUB



Well done to St Patrick's NS boy's team who defeated Réalt na Mara in the Fingal Primary Schools League Division 1 Final and congrats to Under 15 players Evan Bryce, Alan Courell, Oisín Kenny and Diarmuid Byrne who have been selected for the Dublin U15 Academy squad.

The first outing for Skerries Harps Amateur Golf Society took place in Balbriggan GC on Fri last. Congrats to 2025 captain Larry Gaffney and to winner John O'Connor. The next outing is to Swords Open GC on Friday 27th June. Contact Tony O'Brien for info.

Sat 24 May - Senior football v Kilmacud-Crokes, home at 6.30pm

Sun 25 May - Junior camogie v Cuala, home at 3.30pm

Tue 27 May - Adult hurling v Crumlin, home at 7.30pm

Annual Primary Schools football league continues on Monday evenings - Finals on 2 June.

Zingo 18 May. 3, 7, 5, 1, 4, 2, 6. No winners. Jackpot is now €2,700. Play on line.

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