



TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

READINGS: Is 1: 5-7; Ps 79: 9, 12-16; Phil 4: 6-9; Matt 21: 33-43.



In the reading from the Prophet Isaiah, we are presented with the well cared for vineyard as an image of the House of Israel. This vineyard is given into the care of God's people who are invited to tend it and enable it to "bring forth fruit", to bring to life God's kingdom here on earth. Through neglect of it on the part of the people the vines do not yield good fruit. Farmers know that farming is a matter of cause and effect. One cannot "blame" the vineyard for lack of a good yield! In the Lord's vineyard, our input will impact its "productivity", the growth of God's Kingdom among us.

In the gospel Jesus shares the parable of the wicked tenants who beat and kill the servants and son of the vineyard owner, foreshadowing the crucifixion and triumph of Jesus himself over death and culminating in the teaching that the kingdom of God will be given to a people producing its fruit; living our lives with the love of God and our neighbour at heart.

St. Paul's letter to the Philippians reminds the faithful that true peace comes through constant communication with God. The need for peace in our world could not be more urgent than at this present time. Let us pray for peace to be restored so that all who are suffering may enjoy the peace of God's Kingdom here and now. As we come to the end of the month dedicated to Care for the Earth, during which our ecologists and climatologists have repeatedly reminded us of how our actions and choices impact on our physical environment, may we also be aware of how our values impact on how humanity grows in mutual respect for all peoples, to bring about God's Kingdom on earth.

Holy Faith Sisters

ANNIVERSARY / SPECIAL INTENTION MASSES

- ✦ **Sat 3rd 10am:** Bert Horan, Maeve Counihan, Thanksgiving Mass (x2), Ned Duffy (Rem), Des Frazer
- ✦ **Sat 3rd 6pm:** Dermot Higgins, Frank Jordan, Bill & Rita McMahon, Mark Curran, Patrick Leonard, Thanksgiving Mass
- ✦ **Sun 4th 9.30am** Charlie & Mary Martin, Benefactors Intentions, Denis O'Gorman, Hugh McDonnell, Michael Mealia
- ✦ **Sun 4th 11am:** Breeda Dunne (1st A), James Corr, Florrie (10th A) & Christy Casey, Johnny Murray, Éanna O'Kelly, Claire O'Kane, Rody & Padraig Rogan, Special Intention (infirm)
- ✦ **Mon 5th 10am:** Mass Card Intentions
- ✦ **Wed 7th 10am:** Mary Varley, Sheila & Chriss McDonough
- ✦ **Fri 9th 10am:** Gabrielle Whelton, Henri & Jimmy Flemming, Ned & Lily Farrell, William & Joan Ruigrok

- ✦ **Sat 10th 10am:** Patrick Price (1st A), Rose Price, (Rem), James Maguire, Theresa McCann
- ✦ **Sat 10th 6pm:** Sheila Brennan (MM), Marie McNally (1st A), Michael White, Seamus Murphy, Dermot Fitzgerald
- ✦ **Sun 11th 9.30am:** Benefactors Intentions, Rose Grimes
- ✦ **Sun 11th 11am:** Colm Fox (MM), Eileen McDonald (MM), Helen Walsh (1st A), William Hoare, Charles Flanagan, Joe, Margaret & Joseph Howard, David Neace.

OUR SYMPATHY

 To the families of John Halpin, RIP, Bayview, Rush Rd & Colm O'Byrne, RIP, South Strand, Skerries who died recently. May they Rest in Peace.

FEASTDAYS

- 3rd Oct – Bl. Columba Marmion
- 7th Oct – Our Lady of the Rosary
- 9th Oct – St. John Henry Newman

CHILDRENS CHOIR

♪♪ Rehearsals have resumed on Fridays at 4.30p.m. in the church. Girls and boys from second class and up are welcome. All enquiries to 087 9657290.

SKERRIES LIBRARY

Are delighted to announce that they will be starting their new Junior Book Club, "Chapter Chasers" in October! It is suitable for children aged 9 - 11 years old and they will be holding monthly meetings on the first Thursday from 3.30p.m. - 4.15p.m.

Children will collect their monthly book from the library and the meetings will consist of games, chats and discussions about the book in a very relaxed and fun way. It's a great opportunity for children to enjoy reading for fun and make some friends along the way.

Our first meeting will be held on the 8th of **October** with our first book being a Halloween Special... **Coraline by Neil Gaiman.**

Places are extremely limited so booking is essential. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Skerries Library 018905671.

Email: skerrieslibrary.library@fingal.ie

SKERRIES FORGET ME NOT CAFÉ

Wednesday, **14th October 11am - 1pm.**
Skerries Harps GAA, Dublin Road, Skerries
K34 HC89

For more information, please contact us on skerriesforgetmenotcafe@gmail.com

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, to meet others on a similar journey and to learn more about dementia services in the area. To make sure we don't run out of cake! please let us know if you're coming.
Phone or text 083 119 2972

SKERRIES LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

We have a packed schedule this month at Skerries Library, with events to suit all age groups and interests. Remember to book early to avoid disappointment, as our events fill up quickly. Email skerrieslibrary.library@fingal.ie to book your preferred events... Pottery Workshop, Bargello in Autumn, Memories & Melodies, Touch Typing, Fabric Pumpkin Crafts etc.

SKERRIES LADES BOWLS

Monday morning competition continues. Sign in before 10.30a.m.

30 YEARS AGO IN THE PARISH

- Newly baptised were Sean Boyle, Jamie Andrews, Dara Lowndes, Meabh O'Hanrahan, Sean Hughes, Ciara Palmer, Jenny McDonough, Lauren Concannon and Ellen Beggs-Cody
- The new Altar servers were welcomed
- The Folk Group from Holy Faith/de la Salle College had started playing for the Saturday evening Mass
- At the Women's Forum a lively discussion took place on topics such the use of inclusive language in the Mass leaflets, the possibility of House Masses and the establishment of a Parish Council
- In the Dublin County Council Tidy Districts competition Skerries was named Best Town, Best Main Street and Best Community Centre.

SKERRIES HARPS GAA CLUB

Minor football first team have qualified for the knockout stage of the Championship, defeating Ballymun, away. The second team lost to Whitehall but will also advance to the next round. Minor camogie girls lost narrowly to O'Dwyers, away.

Sun 04 Oct. Junior Foot Ch'ship v Ballyboughal, away at 11.00a.m. and Minor Hurling Ch'ship v Wild Geese, in Oldtown at 11.00 a.m.

Under 13 camogie v Peregrines, home at 2.30 p.m. and Under 16 camogie v Lusk, home at 4.00p.m.

Academy on Saturday mornings at 9.45a.m. is for boys and girls.

Register at www.skerriesharps.com/academy

ZINGO Sunday 27 Sept: 4, 10, 16, 20. Match 3 won by Graham Cullen who collects €100. Jackpot now €5,800. Draw on Sunday at 6p.m. Play Online – 3 for a Fiver!

We offer our sympathies to Lucy, Eoin, Ciaran and Aoife Halpin on the passing of John – a valued club member, former Juvenile team mentor and Club Registrar. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam.