



Skerries Parish Bulletin

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15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

READINGS: ISAIAH 55:10 -11; PSALM 64; ROMANS 8:18-23; MATT13:1-23

The seed is the Word of God, Christ the Sower

Psalm 64 reflects the theme of the Readings this weekend. Through the care that the Lord lavishes on the earth and the joy that creation gives us we are reminded to take time out to appreciate all the elements and to raise our hearts in gratitude.

The first reading uses the images of snow and rain, essential for watering the earth, to describe God's Word, which is always life-giving and fruitful. In the Gospel, the Parable of the Sower reflects Jesus' teaching: He continually plants seeds of goodness, faith and commitment in our hearts. At times, because of what we are going through, the soil of our hearts may be rocky or barren. Yet God, who created us and knows us fully, understands and is patient with us. He has not finished creating us! At Baptism, the seed of faith was planted within us, and throughout our lives we are invited to nurture and sustain that gift. Let us pray that this week we may notice the seeds of inspiration that come our way. May we be receptive, like the good soil in the parable, and bring the love of our Creator God to all whose lives we touch.

Holy Faith Sisters

ANNIVERSARY / SPECIAL INTENTION MASSES

- ✦ **Sat 11th 10am:** Evelyn, Michael & Ann Lynch (BR), Marie O'Loughlen
- ✦ **Sat 11th 6pm:** Tony Healy (1st A), Mary Cooper, Peter & Rose O'Connor, Noelle & Ann Lacey, Louise Bracken, Lorraine De'Jong (RD), Richard & May Branagan and dec. family members, Mary Cahalane (1st A)
- ✦ **Sun 12th 9.30am:** Jack Grimes, Michael Whelton, Frank & Kathleen Boylan, Thomas Ellis, Bridget Ellis, Greta Kelly, Liam Davey
- ✦ **Sun 12th 11am:** Elizabeth Flanagan, Bridget & Richard Lambe, Iris Flanagan, Eileen Marry, Edward 'Eddie' McGrath, John & Stella McAllister
- ✦ **Mon 13th 10am:** Mass Card Intentions
- ✦ **Tue 14th 10am:** Barry Walls, Thanksgiving Mass from Evelyn
- ✦ **Wed 15th 10am:** Brian Peters, Matthew Ward
- ✦ **Sat 18th 10am:** Marie Kelly

- ✦ **Sat 18th 6pm:** Joe Grimes, Mary O'Driscoll, Mary Murphy, Mary Plunkett, Mollie Ryan
- ✦ **Sun 19th 9.30am:** Sarah 'Sadie' Ruigrok
- ✦ **Sun 19th 11am:** Eoin Crosbie (1st A), Pauline Treleaven (BR), Annie Russell, Peter & Annie O'Connor, Freddie Russell, Greta & Michael Sweeney, Bill Sweeney

OUR SYMPATHY

 To the family of Nancy Brady (née Leddy), Harbour Road (Late of Cavan) who died recently. May she Rest in Peace.

FEASTDAYS

11th July – St. Benedict
15th July – St. Bonaventure

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS - WEEK COMMENCING 13TH JULY

Normal opening hours 9.00am – 1.00pm.

SKERRIES LADIES BOWLS



Best of good luck to Mary Harford, Chrissie Peters, Eugenie Walsh and Nancy O'Rourke who are contesting the semi-final of the Junior Pairs in the ILB Championships in Kenilworth this weekend.

30 YEARS AGO IN THE PARISH

- The Parish welcomed Ruth Kennedy, Joshua Daly, Eimear Dolan, Cian Smullen, Lisa Derham, Thomas McDonald, Alan Halpin, Lauren Hoey, Patrick MacGabhain and Joseph O'Brien, who were baptised.
- Having recently organised the restoration of the statues of St. Joseph and the Little Flower, parish groups were asked if they would like to sponsor the restoration of the Sacred Heart statue and the Immaculate Conception statue - approx. cost €350? And as Fr. Quinlan pointed out - why no statue of St. Patrick in our Church!
- Work was underway for Skerries Tidy Towns entry into the European competition "Entente Florale" - although no judging till August, ground work needs to start now
- Well done to the Skerries athletes who distinguished themselves at the Dublin Community Games - the Gold Medal winners, Ciara Durkan, Niall Mulligan, Michelle Lacey, and the u-15 Mixed relay team will represent Dublin at the National Finals in Mosney.

USED POSTAGE STAMPS

Used postage stamps may be left in the Library. Please leave a border around them. The Guide Dogs Association appreciate all the stamps - many thanks.

SKERRIES TIDY TOWNS

In order to keep Skerries Town looking its best, Tidy Towns are again looking for people to adopt an area in the town centre, for litter control etc. We will supply pickers, bags and gloves. Please email tidytownsskerries@gmail.com or contact one of the committee members.

SKERRIES HARPS GAA CLUB



Senior footballer's game v Ballinteer postponed due to Dublin v Kerry fixture. Camogie girls drew with Fingallians in the Summer Cup competition.

Intermediate footballers won v St. Brendan's. Congrats to Hannah McGinnis and Dublin Ladies on win v Cork – Kerry next up in semi-final.

Sun 12th July Hurlers are away to St. Peregrines at 11 am in Junior Hurling Ch'ship opening round.

Summer Camps: Kellogg's Cul Camp 2 on **20th to 24th July**.

Club Camp and Academy Camp are on **Tues 4th to Fri 7th August**.

Advanced Camp on **Tues 11th and Wed 12th August** for player born 2010 – 2014. Limited places.

Details at skerriesharps.clubzapevents.com

ZINGO Sun 5th July: 2, 9, 19, 20. Match 3 won by Terry McGinnis - €100.

Jackpot now **€4,600**.

Next draw Sunday at **6.30 pm**. Join us for TV football Dubs v Kerry and stay for the Zingo draw.

Bingo patrons please note we are on a Summer break.

Next Bingo is on **Monday 24th August**.