

## Let your Possessions be Light



How many times have we heard the expression 'There's no pockets in a shroud'? Poverty is not simply about possessions or lack of them. Rather, it is about what attitude we attach to them and how we allow them influence how we live our lives as God's people.

The readings this weekend present us with a stark reminder to maintain a long-term view of life rather than the immediate and short-term. The theme of 'vanity' is echoed in the Gospel.

The successful farmer becomes self-absorbed in his excitement about his rich harvest. As he makes several plans, the phrase 'I will....' occurs several times. But God calls him 'Fool', because he will soon die, and his hoarded harvest will be of no use to him. His short-sightedness makes him foolish. A longer view of what is ultimately important will make us wise.

Christian pilgrims will travel more easily to their city of destiny if their bags are lightly packed.

*(Glenstal Sunday Missal)*

### Feastdays

Thurs. 8<sup>th</sup> – St. Dominic.

Fri. 9<sup>th</sup> – St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross.

Sat. 10<sup>th</sup> – St. Claire of Assisi.

### Church Notices

*Monday 5<sup>th</sup> August* is a Bank Holiday and Mass will be at 11am.

*Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>* – Padre Pio Mass at 7pm.

### Anniversary Masses and Intentions

- ✠ Sat. 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 6pm: Collie Doyle, Bob Laughlin, Jim Martin, Alice & Patrick Harford, Florence & Patrick Coleman, Lilly & Jim Scanlon.
- ✠ Sun. 4<sup>th</sup> @ 9.30am: Kathleen Everard, William Foran, Ethel Jordan.
- ✠ Sun. 4<sup>th</sup> @ 11am: Mary Martin, Edyta Keeling, John & James Carroll, William (Willy) Murphy, Maureen & David Fleming, Robert Morrison.
- ✠ Wed. 7<sup>th</sup> @ 10am: Tom Reynolds.
- ✠ Thurs. 8<sup>th</sup> @ 10am: Mary Ryan.
- ✠ Fri. 9<sup>th</sup> @ 10am: Sean Brady.
- ✠ Sat. 10<sup>th</sup> @ 10am: John Stapleton, Peter Redmond.
- ✠ Sat. 10<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm: Brendan, Jenny, Memery & Miriam Keogh, Paddy McGirl, Tom Reynolds, Noel Cappock, Margaret Lynch, Veronica Kelly.
- ✠ Sun. 11<sup>th</sup> @ 9.30am: John (Ibar) Carney, James & Josephine Dillon.
- ✠ Sun. 11<sup>th</sup> @ 11am: Bob Laughlin, Sheila McNally.

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament each Tuesday after 10am Mass.

**The Irish Catholic** is published weekly and is on sale in the Parish Office at €2.

### St Vincent de Paul Society

The Annual Clothing Collection takes place this weekend 3<sup>rd</sup> / 4<sup>th</sup> August. The SVP will collect clothing bags before and after Masses. Please see notices in church porches. Thank you all on behalf of the St. Vincent de Paul for your support.

### St. Maur's Rush – Pastoral Secretary

Our neighbouring parish of St. Maur's in Rush are currently recruiting for the role of a Pastoral Secretary. The position is offered on a one-year fixed term / part-time basis for 15 hours per week. Applicants should send a copy of their C.V. and covering letter indicating how your skills and experience match the role advertised by email to Ms Judith Maxwell, HR Manager, at [judith.maxwell@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:judith.maxwell@dublindiocese.ie) Closing date for completed applications is Fri. 9<sup>th</sup> August at 5pm.

### Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thurs. 15<sup>th</sup> August is the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and a Holy Day in the Church calendar. Vigil Mass will take place at 7.30pm on Wed. 14<sup>th</sup> along with the daily Mass at 10am on Thurs. 15<sup>th</sup>.

### Pathways – Exploring Faith and Ministry

Applications are now open for the next intake of participants for Pathways. This is a two-year, one night per week, course for adults of all ages who wish to explore their faith. It runs from September to May each year. The programme commences in Holy Cross College on 26<sup>th</sup> September from 7pm to 9.30pm. Place are limited so early application is advised. More information from [www.evangelisation.ie](http://www.evangelisation.ie) Tel. Eileen Houlahan on 01 8087594 or email [pathways@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:pathways@dublindiocese.ie)

### Knock – 140 Years 1879-2019

The National Novena in honour of Our Lady of Knock will take place from 14<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> August (inclusive). Workshops daily at 12 noon. Feast of Our Lady of Knock will be on 21<sup>st</sup> August.

### Skerries Chamber Music Festival



Recitals by Eadaoin Copeland (piano), Fiona Robertson (violin) and Gemma Ní Bhriain (mezzo-soprano) will take place in the

Holmpatrick Church on Fri. 9<sup>th</sup> Aug. at 8pm (Schumann and Franck) and Sun. 11<sup>th</sup> Aug. at 2pm (Brahms, Elgar, Schubert & more). Tickets available at the door on the day or from P. Marry & Associates.

### Friends of Autism & ADHD

Upcoming Workshops this autumn:

Meditation and Sound Healing – Tues. 8<sup>th</sup> Oct. 7.30 to 9.30pm at 102 Strand Street. Relax, Unwind, Rejuvenate, facilitated by Edel Boyle & Trish Gowing. Booking essential as places are limited. Fee €15 – Call 8495670.

Making Sense of the Sensory stuff facilitated by Ines Lawlor. Thurs. 24<sup>th</sup> Oct. 7.30 to 9.30pm at 102 Strand Street. Fee €5 and once again places limited so booking highly recommended. Email [adhdfingal@gmail.com](mailto:adhdfingal@gmail.com) or call 8495670.

### Skerries Mills



The Fingal Vintage Harvest Festival takes place next Sun. 11<sup>th</sup> Aug. from 12pm to 5.30pm. A fun family day out for everyone. Admission: Adult

€6, Senior €5, Child €3, Family €15 (2 Adult and 2 Children). This year there will be a fun dog show with prizes for the best dressed dog/best behaved dog/best walker.

Lots of fun games for the kids – Sack race, Face Painting, Story Telling, Hook a Duck and much more.

In addition, there will be Food and Craft stalls, Spin the Tractor Wheel and lots more.



Why not take a step back in time and come dressed in vintage style and help harvest the field with all the vintage farm machinery on the day. Look forward to seeing you there.

### Skerries Golf Club



Extended by popular demand - *Play and Dine* any Monday or Thursday during August before 12 Noon – Golf & Burger Meal for €29.50. Call 01

8491567 or email [admin@skerriesgolfclub.ie](mailto:admin@skerriesgolfclub.ie)

### Ardgillan Castle



Ardgillan Garden Tour for August with Head Gardener Dominica McKeivitt on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> Aug.

Dominica will lead a very informative tour including information on plants that attract bees. The tour starts at 11am. Meet in the castle. No booking required - just 'turnip' on the day. A donation to Ardgillan always welcome. For more information call 087 7520506.

### Skerries Hockey Club

Last chance to register for the summer camp taking place 19<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> August.

Mini Camp: 10am to 1pm for 5-7 year olds.

Main Camp: 10am to 3pm for 8-13 years.

Registration forms from the Community Centre.

### Skerries Sailing Club

Surf & Turf BBQ on Sun. 4<sup>th</sup> Aug. at 2pm. €25 per person including dessert. Text to book your table – 083 0685666.

### Skerries Harps GAA & Camogie Club



Sun. 4<sup>th</sup>: Bryan Cullen U16s

Football tournament with 12 teams competing for the Oliver Moore Cup. Starts at 9.30am with a break

for the Dubs v Tyrone! Final at 6pm.

**Note:** Club Car Park will be closed for the day.

**Football League:** Div. 1 is down to two games – Away v St. Maur's on 17<sup>th</sup> Aug. and Home to Lucan on 31<sup>st</sup> Aug. Then it is Championship v Ballyboden.

**Zingo:** 3,1,4,7,2,5,6. Dividend €350 won by Syra McQuaid. Jackpot now €6,100.

**Summer Camp** for 4-8 year old boys/girls 6<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> Aug. Contact Louise Byrne on 0851465673.

The Kelloggs Cul Camp2 starts on 12<sup>th</sup> Aug.

**Social Golf** outing to Lisburn GC on 16<sup>th</sup> Aug. Paul Murray has the details.

Skerries Harps welcomes anyone who wishes to join us – as players or as helpers on our various Committees.

Clubhouse available for functions, parties, meetings, etc. Contact club PRO, Joanne, on 086 4058523.

### In Sympathy



We send our deepest sympathies to the family of Richard Moore (Lusk) who died last week. For more years than we can remember, Richard was the sacristan in St. MacCullins church in the heart of Lusk.