

Rejoice with the Lord

Rejoice that we are here with Jesus in our church this morning. Jesus welcomes saints and sinners and goes seeking for the lost sheep or lost coin.

Am I a lost sheep? No, Jesus leaves the ninety nine and goes in search of me, because I am precious to him.

In our world today the loss of a small coin is of little importance; it is not worth lighting a lamp or sweeping the floor. With our Lord it is different; he tells us there is rejoicing among the angels in heaven over one person who was lost and is now found.

'We can always rely on Jesus' love, he never tires of seeking for us, whatever may be the burden of sin or guilt that we carry' Cardinal Basil Hume.

In our first reading Moses pleads with God for the people. Like the Israilites we too can be headstrong, thinking we know it all. Lord be merciful to us sinners.

St Paul tells us that Jesus came into our world to save sinners. Like the lost sheep we give thanks that our loving God cares and saves us

'Lord God in your kindness, in your compassion blot out my offence' Ps 51

Lectio Divina Group

We welcome Finn McGrath, Muireann Stella Coyle, Madison Mary Lynch Bolan, Teddy James Reynolds and Charlie David O'Neill to our parish family.



Our sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Roseleen Doolin who died recently.



The Bulletin team send their sympathy to our colleague Adrienne Doolin on the death of her mother, Roseleen. May she rest in peace.

Anniversaries, Intentions and Special Masses

Saturday 14th 6.00pm Vigil Mass: Noeline O'Connor (1st A), Edward & Margaret Rogan (A), Joan & William Ruigrok (A), Richard Ruigrok (Rem), Rena & Sam Condrot (A), Special Intention.

Sunday 15th 9.30am: Kevin Duff (A)

11.00am: Noeline O'Connor (1st A), Bridget & Richard Lambe (A), Stephen & Kathleen Attly (A), Tony Grimes (A), Brian & Theresa Cowley (A), Cillian Shanley (A).

Tuesday 17th Sept 10am: Fr Bob Curley (A).

Wednesday 18th Sept 10am: Annie Fitzpatrick (A), Jennie Reynolds (A & Birthday Rem).

Saturday 21st 6.00pm: Vigil Mass Carol Boylan (MM), Mathew Smyth (A), Jack, Nelly & Andrew O'Toole (A), Richard (Dick) O'Toole (A),

Sunday 22ⁿ 9.30am: Peter Kelly (A)

11.00am: Anne Thompson (1st A), Michael Browne (MM), William & Elsie Wilde (A), Michael Simpson (A), Eanna O'Kelly (10th A), Tony Twomey (A),

Feast Days: 14th The Exaltation of the Holy Cross. 21st St Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist.

Parish Book Club: During the summer months we were reading *How to defend the Faith without raising your voice* by Michael Kelly & Austen Ivereigh. We will meet this Thursday 19th September in 42 Strand St. at 7.30pm to have a chat about the book. All are welcome.



Living for the Common Good A morning workshop about climate justice, bio-diversity and hope in the Margaret Aylward Centre, Glasnevin on Saturday 21st September from 10.00am - 1.30pm.

A Spirituality to Carry Us: Finding God in a Leaf - Brian Grogan SJ.

Action to Challenge Us: Taking Action for Climate Justice - Jane Mellet

A Story to Inspire Us: Bio-diversity Glasnevin. More information Tel: 01 7979364 Mob: 0876649862

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Volunteers Needed: St Vincent to Paul urgently needs volunteers. You can help once a week or fortnightly for

about 3 hours and we always visit in pairs. We offer full training and support. It is very rewarding and, as President Higgins says, it is the best gift you can give to your community and you will be helping those less fortunate. Please join us, we need you! For more information on what we do, how we do it and how to join please go to: www.SVP.ie or volunteer@svp.ie or phone Enda at 01 8198405.

Legion of Mary - Pilgrimage to Knock

The pilgrimage will take place on Sunday 29th September 2019. Pick-up points include - St. Patrick's Church, Skerries 7.00am and St. Maur's Church, Rush - Car Park 7.15am Contact Mary 087 6741472 or Lorraine 087 6203317.

The Season of Creation is marked throughout the Christian world from 1st September to 4th October (Feast of St. Francis of Assisi) and celebrates the joy of creation as well as encouraging awareness-raising initiatives to protect the natural environment. A helpful suggestion as to how we can help look after our environment is that we avoid or reduce the use of chemicals in our homes and gardens. For more helpful suggestions visit: seasonofcreation.org

Faith for Life is an adult faith course designed to help you to discover new ways to live out your faith in the reality of today's world, within relationships, family, home, workplaces and the events of daily life. It aims to help you to be more active, open, faithful, confident, trusting and willing to work for change. The course is experienced as a journey of four 'Movements' inviting you to explore the call you received in Baptism. The process for each weekend includes teaching, personal and group reflection, prayer and liturgy. Participants are required to attend all four weekends. This course has taken place in Dublin Diocese for the past six years and is designed and delivered through a partnership agreement between the Archdioceses of Dublin and the Archdiocese of Liverpool.

The course will take place again this year starting in October. For more information please email: rlavelle@dublindiocese.ie or evangelisation@dublindiocese.ie

Active Retirement Club

Mon 16th Sept Bingo 2.00 p.m.

Tues 17th Sept Bowls 2.00 p.m.

Few places left for day trip on 23rd and Summerhill. Tea Dance Cricket Club today, Sunday 15th, 3.30-6.00pm. All welcome.

Save the Date: The Mater Dei Centre for Catholic Education (MDCCE) is hosting the annual conference of the Network for Researchers in Catholic Education on 17th and 18th October at the DCU St. Patrick's Campus in Drumcondra, Dublin 9. This year's conference is entitled: *Catholic Education: Formal, Informal and Lifelong*. Key questions for education in Catholic schools today will be addressed. Contemporary ideas about how to engage with informal Catholic education contexts, such as what can happen at home and within the parish, will also be discussed.

Research focused on adult and lifelong religious education and faith development will be highlighted. Full details of how to register for the two days (or for one of the days) can be obtained at the MDCCE website at: www.dcu.ie/mdcceNEWS

Skerries Foroige Youth Club.



Foroige is back in the Little Theatre for another year of fun. This year there will be a new Junior Group for 10 -12 year olds every Wednesday from 6.30pm - 7.45pm, and our Senior Group for 12 - 18 years, from 8.00pm - 9.30pm each week.

Fee for the year is €30 per member and €40 for a family. Each week there will be a small charge of €2 per member. Both groups have activities, games, fun, friends, lots of chats and plenty more. Why not come and see for yourself.

The club will start on Wednesday 18th September. (Registration required). Everyone is welcome along. For more information please contact Alison 087 2987620.

The Bulletin wishes to thank Skerries Bowling Club for their recent donation towards the weekly costs of producing the Bulletin. We always welcome any donations you might like to make.



Skerries Bowling Club - a Bring and Buy and Coffee morning will be held in the Clubhouse on Saturday 21st in aid of **St. Francis Hospice**. Fresh vegetables and home baking.

30 Years ago in our Parish

- Bishop Dermot O'Mahony was coming to celebrate a Jubilee celebration Mass for the children of the Parish, followed by a street party.
- The new sculptured plaque of St. Patrick's goat would be blessed and unveiled next week.
- The Historical Exhibition would be on display in the Library all week.
- Parishioners were invited to put out flags and bunting for the week, particularly those who live in the neighbourhood of the church.
- The souvenir booklet, price £1 was now on sale.
- Holmpatrick Church was holding their annual Harvest Festival.
- In the finals of the Community Games, Skerries Table Tennis team took the silver medals.
- The town was berated for the amount of rubbish lying around the town and reminded that it was everybody's responsibility.
- The Eastern Health Board was seeking families to foster children, either for short or long term.



Skerries Harps GAA Club

Sunday. Junior Football v Rosmini, home at 11.00am
Wed. Senior Ladies v Cuala, away in Ch'ship semi final at 6.45pm
Tue. 17th Whist resumes at 8.30pm – with FREE lessons for beginners.
Zingo 6, 7, 3, 4, 5, 1, 2. Jackpot now €6,700. Entry €2 or 3 for €5 or play Online. .

Juvenile Academy every Saturday at 10.00am. Contact Louise 085 1465673 for details.

Join us in the club today (Sunday) for the TV action of Ladies Final, Dublin v Galway and support Lyndsey for the 3 in a row!!

Sun 27th October, in City North Hotel. Major fundraiser – The Chaser, based on the TV Game Show. Proceeds towards our Ball Wall/All Weather project. Sponsorship options available. Contact club PRO, Joanne on 086 4058523. See www.skerriesharps.ie

Set Dancing Class resumed Thursday, 12th September, at Joe May's (upstairs) from 8pm. Set dancing is a gently aerobic social activity and it's a casual, fun group. All levels and all ages are welcome. Partner not required. Please wear soft-soled, non-marking shoes. Classes are €5, and proceeds go to charity. For more information, please contact Mary at 086 3534697.

Naul gardening and flower club are holding a Gala Demonstration by Solomon Leong a world famous flower arranger who won 'best at show' many times at chelsea flower show and won multiple gold medals. Demonstration at 8pm on Wednesday 18th September in the Bracken Court Hotel Balbriggan. Proceeds in aid of Pieta House. Admission €15. For more information telephone 086 2850561.