

November 1st - All Saints - Holy day of Obligation to attend Mass  
Meet a new Saint - Dulce Lopes Pontes



Her secular name was Maria Rita, and she was born in Salvador de Bahia in 1914. After her mother died, she went to live with her aunts. When she was 13, they took her to visit one of the poorest areas of the city. Maria Rita was so struck by what she saw that she began dedicating herself to the poor and needy of her neighbourhood.

Maria Rita was particularly devoted to Saint Therese of the Child Jesus and felt a strong calling to religious life. She said she was ready to perform the "small acts of love" that Jesus transforms into great works.

After entering the Congregation of the Missionary Sisters of the Immaculate Conception of the Mother of God, she became Sister Dulce. Eventually she founded the Sao Francisco's Workers Union and opened a clinic, a library, a school and even a cinema for the poor. As Sister Dulce's reputation grew, so did the number of people seeking her help and so she founded the present-day Santo Antonio Hospital, a 1500-bed health care centre specializing in cancer treatment. The "Mother Teresa of Brazil", as she was known, died on 13<sup>th</sup> March 1992 at the age of 77. Pope Benedict XVI proclaimed her Blessed on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2011 and Pope Francis canonised her on 13<sup>th</sup> October 2019. St. Dulce Lopes Pontes - Pray for us

#### ANNIVERSARIES & INTENTIONS REMEMBERED

- ✠ **Sat 26<sup>th</sup>** 6pm: Imelda Greene (Months Mind), Joseph (Joe) Connolly (Galway), James & Julie Christie, Aidan Christie, Barry Carey, David Murtagh, John Tattan, Eamonn Farrell
- ✠ **Sun 27<sup>th</sup>** 9.30am: Maureen Derham (Months Mind)
- ✠ **Sun 27<sup>th</sup>** 11am: Liam Petson Snr. (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.) Michael McGealy, Margo McAuley, Jane Dardis, Flanagan family, Patrick & Jane Rogan
- ✠ **Wed 30<sup>th</sup>** 10am: Patty McGrath (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.) James Marron
- ✠ **Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov** 10am: Dermot O'Loughlin (Months Mind)
- ✠ **Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov** 6pm: Sean O'Lachtnain, George McMeel, Rhona Ivory, Anna Walsh, James Manning, Lex & Anne Woody, Carmel Kwik, Tony McDermott
- ✠ **Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov** 9.30am: Olga Reynolds (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.) and her brother Desmond, Madge Fanning
- ✠ **Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov** 11am: Christopher Everard (Months Mind), Joan Murray (Months Mind), Charles & Sarah O'Neil, John Moorehead.

#### FEAST DAYS

Nov 1<sup>st</sup> – All Saints, Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> – All Souls Day

#### FIRST FRIDAY

1<sup>st</sup> November

#### BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 28<sup>TH</sup>

Mass will be celebrated at **11am**

#### WE WELCOME

Shae Traynor, Mike Early, Conor Quirke, Rian Donohue, Alexander Brooke Robinson, Malachy Martin and Neasa Martin who were recently baptised into our parish family.



#### PARISH BOOK CLUB



During the month of November we will be reading **He Leadeth Me by Walter J. Cizek, S.J.** The book is a deeply personal story of one man's spiritual odyssey and the unflagging faith which enabled him to survive the ordeal that wrenched his body and spirit near to collapse.

The author spent twenty-three years in the Soviet Gulag and is now being considered for beatification.

We will meet on **Thursday November 21<sup>st</sup>** at **7.30pm in 42 Strand Street** for a chat about the book. All are welcome.

#### SKERRIES ACTIVE RETIREMENT CLUB

**Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Oct** Bank Holiday - No Club

**Tues 29<sup>th</sup> Oct** Bowls at new time of **1.45pm**

**Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Nov** Free Trip to Simonstown, Navan leaving Skerries at **9am** - Back about **4.30pm**

Only 35 places available.

## SKERRIES HARPS GAA CLUB



**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup>** Inters v Whitehall in Cloghran at 11am in Championship semi-final and Juniors v St Finians away at 2pm in Championship quarterfinal. Juvenile teams play in 3

finals this weekend – Girls U13A and U13B play on Saturday away and on Sunday the Girls U14 play away at 1 pm. Good Luck girls.

**Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov.** U21 Football v Ballyboden at home at 2.30 pm; Both U16 teams are home at 3 pm in Ch'ship; Minor Girls in final v Rush at 3 pm – check website for venue.

Juvenile Academy every Saturday at 10am. Register with Louise 085 1465673.

Zingo 1, 4, 3, 6, 7, 5, 2. Jackpot is now €7,300. Entry €2 or 3 for €5 or play Online.

**TONIGHT Sun 27<sup>th</sup> – The Chaser**, at City North Hotel, at 8pm. Tickets are €20 or Group of 4 for €60. Bus transport available. Contact club PRO on 086 4058523. See club website [www.skerriesharps.ie](http://www.skerriesharps.ie)

## SKERRIES GOLF MEMBERSHIP OFFER

Join now and enjoy 14 months for less than the price of 12. €895 for new full members; €600 for new five-day members. Discounts too for new Intermediate members. Contact 01-8491567 or [www.skerriesgolfclub.ie](http://www.skerriesgolfclub.ie) for details.

## HALLOWEEN AT ARDGILLAN CASTLE OCTOBER 26 – 31

This is a **family friendly tour** most suitable for children from 5 to 10 years of age. Wizards & witches of all ages (young and old) are welcome as there is something for everyone to enjoy. We look forward to seeing you very soon.

Make sure to book your tickets in advance, as Halloween events always book out!

## BOIL WATER NOTICE ISSUED FOR MUCH OF FINGAL

Irish Water and Fingal County Council, following consultation with the Health Service Executive have issued a Boil Water Notice to protect the health of customers supplied by Leixlip Water Treatment Plant.

The EPA has been informed.

The Boil Water Notice has been issued with immediate effect for the entire supply as a precautionary measure following issues with the treatment process at the Water Treatment Plant, which may have compromised the disinfection process, which makes the water safe to drink.

The issues have now been resolved but water is travelling through the system, which is why the Boil Water Notice is being put in place.

Read the link <https://bit.ly/31zsS68> to find out more about the Notice and what to do.

## COMMUNITY TRANSPORT INITIATIVE

Go Car Ireland, Fingal County Council and Age Friendly Skerries Group are working together to deliver a new community transport initiative for older people in the town and hinterland of Skerries and Howth. This is in response to the recent consultation and transport needs survey carried out in the area. It is being supported by the Transport Co-ordination unit for Louth, Meath and Fingal,

It will run for a **4-month trial period** and is available to people over **55 years**. You do need to register with Flexibus on 046-9074830 or free phone 1800 303 707 to become registered member of the scheme. Then you will only need to call Flexibus again when you want to book a trip. The service is free during the trial period.

Volunteer drivers are required. If you have a full driving licence and a few hours to spare we would love to hear from you. Training will be provided and Garda vetting will be required before the drivers can start.

If you have any questions call 0863977118 or call Flexibus direct on 046 9074830 or Free phone 1800 303 707 you can also email [imf@locallink.ie](mailto:imf@locallink.ie)

You will also find more information under [www.skerriesca.com/transport](http://www.skerriesca.com/transport) Search under the News heading.

## NAUL GARDENING AND FLOWER CLUB

Are holding a Flower Arranging and Leaf Manipulation workshop. All materials will be supplied. The workshop commences at 8pm on Wednesday the **6<sup>th</sup> November 2019** in the Seamus Ennis Centre Naul. Admission € 10. There will be a Raffle on the night.

For more information telephone 086 2850 561

## 30 YEARS AGO IN PARISH

- A new folk group was being organised to sing at the 5.30pm Sunday evening Mass
- The local Justice and Peace group was hosting an afternoon on the theme of "Making Peace with the Planet"
- Congratulations to Wesley Dow and Karen Abell who had received prizes in the Irish Independent/ESB Environmental competition
- Skerries Hockey Club was celebrating a significant Birthday.

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT - IMELDA GREEN

Imelda's family would like to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with us on our recent loss of our much loved mum. Thanks also to all who attended the funeral & burial. who sent Mass cards, messages of sympathy and called to our home. A special word of thanks to the staff and management of the Nursing Home, Funeral Directors, Fr James, Fr Melvyn, Anne Dillon and all our close friends, neighbours and relatives.