



## The good man is a light in the darkness

In the first Reading from the prophet Isaiah and also in the Psalm, we are instructed to feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, clothe those in need, to be compassionate and never hesitate to lend a helping hand and ensure that justice is served.

I am reminded that at last Sunday's Family Mass, Fr. Mullins asked the congregation to consider doing just ONE kindness a day for the coming week and maybe see how easy it could be.

In the Gospel, Jesus said to his Disciples "You are the salt of the earth, but if salt becomes tasteless, what can make it salty again" Perhaps we might try the suggestion of doing just one kindness and let our light and generosity shine.

Church Readers

### ANNIVERSARIES REMEMBERED

- ✦ **Sat 8<sup>th</sup> 10am:** Luke & Patrick Archiudean, Miriam Healy
- ✦ **Sat 8<sup>th</sup> 6pm:** Packie (Patrick) McLoughlin (MM), James Ryan, Ann Lennox, Malachy & Teresa Murray, Eileen Murray, Bishop Grimley, Lily Grimley, Benny (Bernard) Donnelly (3<sup>rd</sup> A)
- ✦ **Sun 9<sup>th</sup> 9.30am:** Kitty Tyndall, Greta Devine, Liam Canavan, Elizabeth Donnelly, Dr. John Keane, Ken Naughton
- ✦ **Sun 9<sup>th</sup> 11am:** Brendan O'Hanlon (MM), Maura & Pat Ellis, Edward Aherne (SI), Judy Hassett, Anne Joye, Tommy Doyle, Andrew & Elizabeth Kettle
- ✦ **Tue 11<sup>th</sup> 10am:** Joseph Gaffney, Peter & Christina Creaner
- ✦ **Fri 14<sup>th</sup> 10am:** Denis Fitzpatrick (2<sup>nd</sup> A)
- ✦ **Sat 15<sup>th</sup> 10am:** James Everard
- ✦ **Sat 15<sup>th</sup> 6pm:** Finley Gannon (1<sup>st</sup> A), Eugene Baldwin, James Coleman, Esther Casey, Mary Cawley, Michael Conlon, Ronnie Masterson
- ✦ **Sun 16<sup>th</sup> 9.30am:** Margaret Noonan, Kathleen Larkin, Emo Sheeran, Elizabeth Mullen, John & Kathleen Mullen, John & Bridget Naughton
- ✦ **Sun 16<sup>th</sup> 11am:** Kathleen O'Callaghan (1<sup>st</sup> A), Richard Lambe & Dec. Members of the Lambe family, Carol Russell, Paul Wilde, John & Clare McGrotty, Bridget O'Callaghan, Esther Weldon & Patrick Weldon.

### FEAST DAYS

- 11<sup>th</sup> Feb - Our Lady of Lourdes
- 11<sup>th</sup> Feb - St Gobnait

### ANNUAL ACCORD COLLECTION

15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> February

### WE WELCOME

Ruby Marie McDonnell who was recently baptised into our Parish family.



### ST PATRICK'S CHURCH SKERRIES 1939- 2020

As part of the 80th anniversary of our church, all the Masses next weekend 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> February will be for all those who are celebrating an anniversary during 2019/2020. All couples who are celebrating an anniversary are invited to attend.

### Lenten Study Series - Bracken Court Hotel

The Study Series will be led by Dr. Kieran O'Mahony OSA each Monday from 2<sup>nd</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm at the Bracken Court Hotel, Balbriggan. Kieran will present the 5 speeches of Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew over the 5 weeks.

### ACCORD ANNUAL COLLECTION

WILL be taken up at all Masses on the weekend of 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> Feb. It will replace the usual Share Collection. ACCORD Dublin offers Marriage Preparation courses, counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships and a Relationship and Sexuality Programme for schools. ACCORD Dublin needs your support so please give generously if you can. For further information contact Linda Chambers email: [LChambers@accordublin.ie](mailto:LChambers@accordublin.ie)

### PARISH BOOK CLUB



During the month of February we will be reading **The Choice** by Edith Eger. The book has been described as 'a masterpiece of holocaust literature. Her memoir, like her life, is extraordinary, harrowing and inspiring in equal measure'. We will meet on **Thursday February 27<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm in 42 Strand Street** for a chat about the book. All are welcome.

### SKERRIES ACTIVE RETIREMENT

**Mon 10<sup>th</sup>** at 2pm - Bingo.

**Tues 11<sup>th</sup>** at 1.45pm - Bowls.

Name/money in envelope for Marine Hotel €25 and Member fee €20 Please.

**Sun 8<sup>th</sup>** Tea Dance - Cricket Club 3.30pm

**Anam Cara North Dublin** - the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening for bereaved parents on **Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Feb at 7.20pm** in the Carnegie Court Hotel, Swords. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. Please contact us on [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie) or 085 2888 888 for any queries.

### World Day of the Sick 2020

The World Day of the Sick Mass will take place on **Sun 9<sup>th</sup> Feb** at 3pm in Church of the Guardian Angels, Newtownpark Avenue, Blackrock. For further information please contact - Trish Conway on 087 6220349.

**Prayer Book:** 'I Am With You', for use with those who experience illness, carers and for personal prayer - in the parish, at home, in hospital, nursing homes and healthcare facilities and also for pastoral visitation and First Friday calls. Unit price **€1.95** available from: Anne Donnellan, Archbishop's House Tel: 01 8379253 Ext. 245 and also Trish Conway 087 6220349.

### PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Compassionate and healing God, we pray for all who are sick or injured. Let your hand of healing and protection be upon them. Ease any fears or anxieties they may be experiencing. Let them feel your comfort and the comfort of those around them. May all who are sick or injured know You are with them today and You hold them always in your loving embrace. Amen

### PRAYER FOR CARERS

Compassionate and healing God, help us to see your face in the faces of our sisters and brothers who are sick or injured. Guide us to reach out to them with hearts of compassion and hands which serve their needs. When doubt or darkness touches them, give your light to guide them and lift them up. Help all caregivers to turn to You as the source of their strength and compassion. Amen

*Sr. Jane McConnell, OSF, BCC*

### SKERRIES HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Present a talk by Gerard Shannon on the Bombing of Skerries Civic Guards Barracks during the Civil War in February 1923. The venue is the Bowling Club, Tennis Court Lane on **Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> February** at 8.15pm. All are welcome.

**FREE Five Week Basic iPhone, iPad, Tablet & Smartphone** class commencing in Skerries Community Centre on **20<sup>th</sup> February** 2020 from 2pm to 4pm. If you would like to book a place please call Angela at Meath Partnership on 046 9280790.

### SKERRIES HARPS GAA CLUB



Senior Football League Div.1 starts next Sunday **16<sup>th</sup> Feb** with a home game v Clontarf at 10.30am. Zingo: 6,2,7,1,5,4,3. Jackpot now €2,100. - draw on **Sunday** at

7pm. Play online – see link on club website or you can buy an entry for €2 or 3 for a fiver! Juvenile Academy every **Sat** morning **10-11am**. Contact Louise 085 1465673. Club Shop also open. New Volunteers welcome – players and nonplayers. Contact [secretaryskerriesharpsdublin@gaa.ie](mailto:secretaryskerriesharpsdublin@gaa.ie) or [pro.skerriesharps.dublin@gaa.ie](mailto:pro.skerriesharps.dublin@gaa.ie) for more details.

Club Membership Fees are now due and should be paid by **31<sup>st</sup> March** per GAA Rule – details on [www.skerriesharps.ie/membership](http://www.skerriesharps.ie/membership) to pay online. Fees may be paid by instalment. Please contact club Registrar Peter Farmer at: [skerriesharps.registrar@gmail.com](mailto:skerriesharps.registrar@gmail.com) with any queries. Congrats to Stephen Smith on Sigerson Cup win with DCU and Good Luck to our 10 winners who start a 6 week Fitness Journey in conjunction with our Healthy Club Project and The Fitness Room. See [www.skerriesharps.ie](http://www.skerriesharps.ie) for all upcoming Fixtures/Results etc.

### BALBRIGGAN & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOC.

Talk on birds & wildlife by Christine O Daly renowned photographer from The Outdoor Studio, Skerries and very knowledgeable on wildlife. It will take place on **Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> Feb** at **8.30pm** in the Scouts Den, Market Green, Balbriggan beside Lidl. Plant and seed swap and garden magazines and leaflets available on the night. Raffle and cup of tea. Admission € 4.

### MAN 0 WAR GFC

Invite you to celebrate Mass offered for the past and present members and all associated with Man 0 War GFC, followed by a night of reminiscing /recording of memories.

If you have photographs /memories please come along to the Man 0 War GFC **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> February** at 6.30pm.