



Skerries Parish Bulletin

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In the Gospel of Matthew (28:16-20) Jesus was with the Apostles on the Mountain in Galilee. The Lord said to baptise in the name of the Holy Spirit and that He would be with them always.

St Paul, in the Acts of the Apostles, tells of how Jesus has chosen the Apostles through the Holy Spirit before he was taken up to Heaven. Now they would also receive the Power of the Holy Spirit.

St Paul in the letter to the Ephesians speaks of the Spirit of Wisdom and Perception to bring us all to the full knowledge of God. May he enlighten the eyes of our minds so we can see what hope his call can hold for us. Lord give us the Spirit of Wisdom and Perception so we too can see the hope his call has for us especially during these difficult times of Coronavirus

Berna Dennis, Lectio Divina



ROSARY DURING THE MONTH OF

MAY: During the month of May we will pray the Rosary after the 10am Mass on **Tuesday and Thursday.**

BIBLE STORIES and PRAYER FOR

FAMILIES: Join us on **Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm** on the parish webcam or radio for some time together in family prayer. An opportunity to



pray with your family during these challenging times. Feel free to contact us with any suggestions about future sessions. Visit the CONTACT link on our website stpatricksskerries.ie. The next prayer time together will be Wednesday May 27th at 7.30pm., when we will remember the children due to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation from St. Patrick's Sen. National School and Educate Together NS.

Vacancy for Safeguarding Officer

The Archdiocese of Dublin Child Safeguarding Service provides support and oversight in respect of the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults who are involved with the Diocese via its parishes, schools and agencies. This role is offered on a permanent and full-time basis to support the service. Reporting to the Director of the Service the Safeguarding Officer will develop and deliver training, as well as give advice and support on the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults involved in church activities in the diocese. If you feel this role is for you and meet our requirements, please email your C.V. with a covering letter to: , Olivjudith.maxwell@dublindiocese.ie by 5.00pm on Monday 25th May. For a full outline visit <https://www.dublindiocese.ie/job-vacancies/>

OUT AND ABOUT AGAIN !



Great to see more people out and about again, but the amount of litter being dropped along the beach area has increased. The Council are doing their best to keep ahead of the problem, but we would urge everybody to take their own litter home with them, particularly take-away items, if the bins are full. We can't blame tourists this time !! We want to have a clean and tidy environment for everybody



ANNIVERSARIES REMEMBERED

Sat. 23rd: 10 a.m., Dick Fanning (2nd anniv.), Tommy Duff
6 p.m., Harry Boylan (month's mind), Carmel Healy (2nd anniv.), Fr Hugh McAleese, Oliver Grennon
Sun 24th: 9.30 a.m., Jim Bennet (month's mind); Charlie & Fran Grimes, John Thornton
11 a.m., Elizabeth (Lily) & Patrick Grimes, Dick Fanning (2nd anniv.), Bridie Shankey
Tues. 26th: 10 a.m., Gerard and Michael Harford, Special Intention
Wed. 27th: 10 a.m., Peggy O'Loughlen, Angela Carroll
Thurs. 27th: 10 a.m., John Conlon
Fri. 28th: 10 a.m., Eileen Leonard, Kathleen Power
Sat. 30th: 6 p.m., Joe McGarry, Dolores Burke, Patricia, Evelyn and Frank Flood
Sun. 31st: 9.30 a.m., Mary McDonagh
11 a.m., Una Doyle, Michael Lynch, deceased members of the McDonnell family

Remember – you too can be a hero and save lives!

While it's good to meet up with friends again, do keep the 2m. gap and don't congregate together in groups! You may prevent the disease spreading.

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TROCAIRE



Every year Trócaire asks for your help during Lent to fund their lifesaving programmes. This year, it was not

possible to return Trócaire boxes through schools or parishes in the usual way. Trócaire is appealing to you to return your Lenten donation. Simply count or estimate what is in your box and donate in the following ways:

1. Online at www.trocaire.org
 2. By phone: 1850 408 408 (ROI) or 0800 912 1200 (NI)
 3. By post to Trócaire, Maynooth, Co. Kildare (ROI) or Trócaire, 10 King Street, Belfast, BT1 6AD (NI)
- The contents of each and every Trócaire box, no matter how small, come together to make a significant difference. This virus knows no borders, but neither does our compassion.

HELPING your CHILDREN LEARN about GOD at HOME

YOUCAT for KIDS is a Catechism for children and their parents. It follows a question-and-answer format. **Q. What makes humans different from all the other creatures God had made?** A. God loves all his creation. But God gave humans something very special. He entrusted the earth to us, to cultivate and to take care of it. **Q. What is my purpose here on earth?** A. "I am created to do something or to be something for which no one else is created. I have a place in God's counsels, in God's world, which no one else has. Whether I be rich or poor, despised or esteemed, God knows me and calls me by my name." (St John Henry Newman) **Q. Why do we call God "Father"?** A. We call God Father, because through baptism we become his children. Jesus, the Son of God, has placed it in our hearts that we too should call God our "Father". **YOUCAT for KIDS is available in all major book stores or can be ordered online. Visit youcat.org for more details.**

30 years ago in the Parish:

- The boys and girls from Realt na Mara had received their First Holy Communion
- Communal Mass for the Sick of the Parish was to be celebrated at 12 noon on Pentecost Sunday
- Tidy Towns committee was asking for volunteers to adopt an open space around the town and were looking for entries for their Plant around a Tree competition
- Various local groups were planning their float for the Festival Parade

Skerries Ladies Bowls

Good to see that the club is open again, but under strict guidelines. Ladies are welcome on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays - pairs only. No entry to the clubhouse, except for toilet use. Bring your own hand sanitizer. Full regulations are posted on the windows of the clubhouse. Hopefully, conditions will ease as the weeks go on.

Skerries Harps GAA Club

Zingo numbers for 17 May were 3-6-2-5-4-1-7 - no winners. Next week's Jackpot is €1,300 for match 7 and the Dividend is €250 for match 4. Entry is still only €2 per line or 3 lines for €5. We appreciate the support for Zingo – our only current fundraiser. As envelope sales remain suspended we would encourage regular weekly players to sign up online through the following link -

https://play.clubforce.com/play_newa.asp or see club website www.skerriesharps.ie

Juvenile Academy - our Games Promotion Officer, Louise Byrne, continues with our Virtual Academy sessions on Saturday mornings. Register by 7 pm on Friday - details are on our Facebook page.

Join up for 6-week Coach Webinar Series starting on 3 June. Organised by Dublin County Board, the presenters include our own Louise Byrne and Bryan Cullen. See www.dublingaa.ie/coaching.

Our Ladies Football & Camogie players continue their challenge of running the equivalent of a marathon during May to raise funds for Jane's House in memory of Jane Dardis. Donate via the gofundme page - see club Facebook page. On Saturday 23rd May, Team SJB undertook a 'One Million Step Challenge' in memory of Sarah Jane Branagan, to raise much needed funds for Pieta House. Pieta needs your support -

www.justgiving.com/team/teamSJB

All club facilities – including our main pitch are closed, on direction of GAA Croke Park.

Our sympathy to the family of John Grimes, The Square, who died recently. John was a past player with Skerries Harps.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: Lowth

Laurence, Christina, Louise and Nicholas would like to thank Fr James, Fr Melvyn and the Parish for guiding our mum, Margot Lowth on her final journey through St. Patrick's Church. The funeral Mass and burial in Holmpatrick was a treasured and intimate experience in a church that has been a focal point for our family for generations. We would like to thank all who offered condolences, they were a great comfort.

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