



Skerries Parish Bulletin

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“All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him.”



In today’s Liturgy, we see what the Lord our God expects from us. The prophet Isaiah, shows us what will happen if we do not use our talents wisely. We will be dismissed and removed from our post in favour of someone who will fulfil all that is expected of us.

“Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands.”

In the Psalm, we are reminded to thank the Lord who listened to our voice, whose love is never ending. You, O Lord, increased the strength of my soul, you have looked on the lowly and the haughty, and shown us your love.

In the second Reading, St. Paul refers to the many aspects of our faith. We must never doubt the wisdom and knowledge of the Lord, our God. It is impossible for us to understand his motives and methods. In the Gospel, Jesus asks his disciples, “Who do people say the Son of Man is?” Peter answered, “You are the Christ.”

Church Readers

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

On behalf of Fr Melvyn, Fr James and the Parish, we thank all our parishioners for your continuous financial support. As you are aware we cannot pass baskets for collections during Mass and we now place baskets on tables as you enter and exit the church for this purpose. For parishioners replacing their Sunday Mass obligation on a weekday, baskets are on the steps at the foot of the altar. With the limit on numbers permitted to attend Mass during this difficult time our parish income has been affected, and with providing extra protection in the church our parish expenses have risen. It would help if you could use the envelopes provided in the church porches to leave your contribution to the first and second collections.

A huge “Thank You” to all who support the parish during these challenging times.

Finance and Parish Properties Committee

MASS INTENTIONS

- ✦ Sat 22nd 10am: Cecily Duff 1st Anniv
- ✦ Sat 22nd 6pm: Frances Mulholland, Collie Doyle, Peter & Rose O’Connor, Louise O’Loughlin, Helen Walsh
- ✦ Sun 23rd 11am: Peggy Coleman Month’s Mind
- ✦ Tues 25th 10am: Swanee Lokko, Joseph Radley, Maura Behan, Vinnie Ellis with thanks to all who supported the family
- ✦ Wed 26th 10am: John & Kathleen Mackle, Oran Tully
- ✦ Thurs 27th 10am: Valerie Fitzsimons 1st Anniv, Valerie & John Fitzsimons, May (Margaret) & Jack Roche, Bartle & Stephen

- Butterly, Rev Paul Dempsey (will be ordained Bishop of Achonry on 30/08/20)
- ✦ Fri 28th 10am: Charles McGinty (50th A)
- ✦ Sat 29th 10am: Michael & Margaret White, Bridie & Luke Clogher

FEASTDAYS

- 24th: St Bartholomew
- 27th: St Monica
- 28th: St Augustine
- 29th: Passion of St John The Baptist

WE WELCOME



Oscar Alan Wilde who was recently baptised into our parish family.

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FACE COVERINGS IN CHURCH

You may have heard that the leaders of Ireland's four main Christian churches have united to ask worshippers to wear face coverings while attending religious services. The four Christian leaders said they were now "formally recommending and encouraging the use of face coverings at all services of worship, along with the ongoing maintenance of two-metre physical distancing, from Sunday 30 August and earlier if practicable". They do, however, understand that some people are exempted from the wearing of face coverings.

30 YEARS AGO IN THE PARISH

- An evening of tutorials in choral singing for parish groups was being held in our church led by Fr. Paul Kelly
- A recent cake sale had raised £325 for Fr. Donal Toal's missionary work in Africa
- Leaving certificate students were receiving their exam results this week
- 30 native trees had been planted by Crann Phadraig in Ardla Cemetery
- Skerries Sailing Club was hosting the World Condor Championships
- Skerries Swimming Club winners for Island Swim were - Island Trophy: Caroline MacManus, Holmpatrick Cup: Allen Whitaker.

SKERRIES LADIES BOWLS

Winner of the Monday morning competition over 10 weeks was Margaret Bolton, with Nancy O'Rourke as runner-up. Ladies morning continues to be on Monday and new members are welcome.

SUPPORTING POPE FRANCIS' COVID 19 EMERGENCY FUND – WORLD MISSIONS IRELAND

This life-giving Fund is making an impact in Africa, Asia and Latin America. In dioceses in Pakistan the majority of people live below the poverty line and lack of food is becoming the most urgent and fundamental need. In countries like Sierra Leone and Chad, Health and Public Announcement systems are fragile and the Fund is allowing the Church to use local radio to inform parishes about the virus and the simple precautions that are needed. To donate go to www.wmi.ie/covid-fund or call Fiona on 01 497 2035.

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SKERRIES HARPS GAA CLUB

Senior footballers have qualified for Dublin Senior Championship quarter final, defeating Lusk on the score of 3 -15 to 2 -10. They now face St Judes, in Parnell Park on Sat 29 Aug at 3 pm. As attendance is restricted we hope to stream it live on our Facebook page.

Senior Ladies had a Championship win over Man O War and Junior footballers beat Ballyboden. Our two Under 15 Hurling teams and two Under 15 Football teams also had Championship wins. More good news - The Club Bar has re-opened and is now serving food. It will open on Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday for a trial period in adherence with all Covid-19 restrictions/guidelines. For the moment only over 18s will be admitted and prior booking is essential. See booking details at <https://forms.gle/bVc1uWCDyKSzclQy8>.

Thanks to all who dropped in last week, your support is greatly appreciated! A big thank you to our Bar Committee & volunteer staff for their efforts in the past few weeks to get the doors back open.

Sun 23 Aug: Minor B football v St Judes, home at 11 am; Minor A are away to Cuala. Senior Camogie v Castleknock, home at 1.30 and Adult Hurlers are away to Civil Service at 11.00
Sat 29 Aug: Senior Football Quarter final v St Judes, in Parnell Park at 3 pm.

Club Shop is Open on Thursday nights from 8 to 9 pm for purchase of playing gear.

Zingo result for Sun 16 Aug. 1-6-7-2-4-5-3. Jackpot now is €2,600 and the Dividend is €900. This is our only source of club funding during the pandemic. We would encourage regular weekly players to sign up online through the link on our website. Envelopes are currently only available in the Club Bar. Check www.skerriesharps.ie or Facebook page for updates to fixtures and latest club news.

JUST A REMINDER – AS IF WE COULD FORGET!!



Keep your distance !