



Skerries Parish Bulletin

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28 March to 4 April 2021

Palm Sunday

Isaiah 50:4-7, Psalm 21:8-9 17-20 23-24, St. Paul, Philippians 2:6-11, Gospel St. Mark.

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

In the first reading, Isaiah speaks of the gifts he has received from the Lord. He was granted the gift of speech, hearing, courage in times of trouble and suffering.

How do we see this in our modern society and our daily lives? Think of a time when we have received gifts for many reasons. Did we remember to thank the Lord when we recovered from societal difficulties, serious illness or injury?

In the Psalm, we hear of the different cruelties inflicted on Jesus during his Passion. "He trusted in the Lord, let him save him, let him release him if this is his friend", "They tear holes in my hands and feet", "They cast lots for my robe".



In the Gospel according to St. Mark, we read an account of the trial, the suffering and death of Jesus. He died for us, so that we may be saved.

As we start the Holy Week, we might try to concentrate on the Liturgy as it outlines the suffering and death of Jesus and how we view these events.

Church Readers

Our Sympathy is extended to the families of Mary Burke, Martine Court, Thomas (Tommy) Coleman, Greenlawns, and Joseph (Joe) Murray, South Strand, who died recently. May they Rest in Peace.

Intentions and Anniversaries Remembered

Sat 27th 10.00am: Daniel Crowley and Mathias, Catherine and John Grimes.
6.00pm: Jenny Hyland, Sean Farrell, Brian O'Loughlin.
Sun 28th 9.30am: Tom, Lily and Carmel Doyle and deceased members of Doyle family.
11.00am: Ronan Browne, Margaret Tully.
Monday 29th 10.00am: Mass Card Intentions.
7.30pm: Reconciliation Service via the Webcam.
Tuesday 30th 10.00am: Myra Martin.
Wednesday 31st 10.00am: May Walshe and James C Walshe, Maurice McAuley, Sheena and Michael Flavin, Christy Grimes.
Saturday 3rd 8.00pm: Michael Ferguson, Abby & Michael Conlon.
Sunday 4th 9.30am: Mary Ingram.
11.00am: Hugh Marry (1st A), Gabrielle Pratt (1st A), Catherine and Peter McMahan, Special Intention.

Reconciliation Services For Easter

Parishioners who would like to celebrate the service of reconciliation for Easter can do so by joining us via the **Webcam/Radio**.

Mon 29th March – Reconciliation in Skerries, 7.30pm
Tues 30th March – Reconciliation in Lusk, 7.30pm
Wed 31st March – Reconciliation in Rush, 7.30pm

Please join us for the Easter Celebrations on Webcam or Parish Radio. Webcam link: www.stpatricksskerries.ie Radio: 87.5 FM

Monday 29th to Wednesday 31st March: Daily Mass at 10.00am.

Holy Thursday 1st April

Morning Prayer 10.00am.

Mass of the Lord's Supper 8.00pm

Good Friday 2nd April (day of fast and abstinence)

Morning Prayer 10.00am

Good Friday Prayers for children 12 noon.

Passion Liturgy 3.00pm.

Stations of the Cross 8.00pm.

Holy Saturday 3rd April

Morning Prayer 10.00am.

Easter Vigil 8.00pm

Easter Sunday 4th April

Masses 9.30am and 11.00am

Easter Holy Water

It is a custom, after Easter Sunday Masses, that people look for Easter Holy Water to take home with them.

This year, to help with this, we will make bottles of Easter Holy Water available to you in the church.

During the week after Easter Sunday these bottles will be left on a table in front of the altar for you to pick up – **ONE PER FAMILY**. To keep all healthy and safe please ensure to sanitise your hands on entering and on leaving the church.

Morning Masses during the week 5th to 10th April (incl. Saturday) will be at 11.00am

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Tarsus Scripture School Lent / Easter Programme 2021

The Tarsus Scripture School is offering reflections on the readings for Holy Week and the Easter Triduum. The programme offers one webinar and one meditation. The meditation - after Easter - will be an opportunity to "take in" what we have celebrated over Holy Week and Easter. For registration and further details, please go to: www.tarsusscriptureschool.ie.

Aware - Support & Self Care Groups

If you, or those with whom you work, wish to connect with people in relation to your mental wellbeing, please consider using the Phone-In and Zoom Support & Self Care Groups, the Support Line or Support Mail. These services provide support, coping skills and information – and most importantly help people who are in distress to know and feel that they are not alone in their experience. Get more information about the groups and all of our services on www.aware.ie.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People: ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19. The support line is open seven days a week, **8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.**



Parish Book Club: During the month of March, we are reading **The Lamb's Supper: The Mass as Heaven on Earth** by **Scott Hahn**. *The Lamb's Supper* will enable readers to see the

Mass with new eyes, pray the liturgy with a renewed heart, and enter into the celebration of the Eucharist more enthusiastically and intelligently than ever before. A great read for the season of Lent as we prepare for the great celebration of Easter.

Ecumenical Bible Week 2021 is an exciting and successful venture which is now in its eight year and will run from **Pentecost Sunday (23rd May) to Trinity Sunday (30th May) 2021**. Ecumenical Bible Week (EBW) is led by the Archdiocese of Dublin and the United Dioceses of Dublin and Glendalough in collaboration with many other Christian traditions ranging from the Evangelical Alliance to Lutherans, Methodists, Presbyterians and support from the National Bible Society and Scripture Union. The overall theme this year is "Unlocking Faith Today: Responding to New Realities". This year EBW will have an opening and closing prayer event organised by Holy Trinity Rathmines on Monday 24th May and St Finian's Lutheran Church on Sunday 30th Sunday respectively. To register visit www.bibleweek.ie

Teen Hope Connected is a weekly Youth Group. It takes place every **Wednesday 6-7pm** via Zoom. Join us for fun, exploring faith and life with other teens through small group discussions, top class games and prayer. If you are interested please email: kirsten.mahon@dublindiocese.ie



Reminder: Clocks spring forward this weekend. One hour less on Sunday!

YCD Connected – Bringing Young People

Together: The Young Church Dublin invites you to join our connected group for Young Adults (20's 30's) We meet online **every Wednesday, from 8.00-9.00pm** for some time of fellow reflection on Scripture and prayer together. It provides an opportunity to connect in with other young adults in a community of faith. For more information please email: kirsten.mahon@dublindiocese.ie

30 Years ago in the Parish

- It was Easter week and prayer and reconciliation services were organised to mark the events
- Recently baptised were Roisin Macken, Sean O'Reilly, Claire Lenehan, Ronan Keogh, Ross Shannon, Leah Rankin, Eoghan McGuire. Kelly Carroll, Ben Malone, Roisin O'Callaghan, James Rooney and Michele McCarthy
- A special collection was being made for the Cardinal O'Fiach Memorial Fund
- Community Games Hockey and Badminton Tournaments were underway
- Storytime in the Library each Tuesday was continuing.
- The Active Retirement Group was heading to see "Chess" at the Point Theatre
- Congratulations were sent from the Marian Society to Leo Morgan who won the James Cuthbert Cup and Gold Medal for Bass solo.

Skerries Harps GAA Club

Reminder to all our players – as per guidelines, our club grounds are officially CLOSED for all activities. Please



respect this ruling.

Zingo results for Sunday 21 March were 5-7-6-4-1-3-2 and we had no winners. Jackpot next week is €5,700 and Dividend is €550. Thanks to all who play Zingo every week – your support is greatly appreciated. Membership for 2021 is open and can be renewed online. Players must be paid up before training and playing starts – hopefully soon. Full details are on www.skerriesharps.ie Juvenile Virtual Academy and Skills Sessions every Saturday morning LIVE with Louise Byrne. It's FREE to join and open to boys and girls. Sessions contain short, varied and fun snippets to practice and they last half an hour. See our video on Skerries Harps Facebook page. We offer our condolences to the family of the late Garda Terry O'Reilly and to Martin Burke and family on their sad loss of Mary.

Acknowledgements

On the first anniversary of Richard Hurley's passing his family would like to express their heartfelt thanks to those who sympathized with them. A special word of appreciation to Father Melvin and team who helped with Richard's funeral. Also a special word of thanks to Joey Lannon and team.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for your intentions.

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