



Skerries Parish Bulletin

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18th April 2021 Third Sunday of Easter, Year B

1st Reading: Acts 3: 13-15, 17-19.

'The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead'

Following Peter's healing of a crippled man in Jerusalem, a crowd gathered in wonderment at what Peter had done. Peter addressed the gathering ensuring that they understood that the healing was not brought about by the apostles themselves. The crippled man's faith made him well. The miracle happened through Jesus. He points out to them that they insisted on the crucifixion of Jesus, even preferring that Barbaras be released by Pilate. But now following the resurrection all, including Peter and the disciples, should repent and ask for God's forgiveness.

2nd reading: 1 John 2:1-5a

In St John's epistle we are urged not to sin but if we have sinned to know we have 'an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the Righteous one.' The way to know Him is to keep His commandments. To know God means having a close and personal relationship with our Maker and Father.

Gospel: Luke 24:35-48

Today's Gospel is one of these post-resurrection appearances of Jesus. It tells how the disciples found faith through their encounter with the Risen Christ. They were gathered in a room, the door locked and they were afraid. The disciples had known Jesus on a personal basis. Now it is different. There is a unique presence in Him they had never seen before.

'Jesus stood among the them and said to them 'Peace be with you'

Shalom - The peace of God, a harmony between God and man, a peace so deep there is only caring and mutual forgiving, a new world, a world that understands the peace of God. Jesus' greeting and His loving acceptance of them brings them joy and they find full faith in Him. He instructs them that all that has taken place is according to the designs God set forth in the Scriptures. He charges them with the mission of bringing to the whole world the good news of their resurrection faith and the forgiveness of sins it brings.

Bible Study Group

MASS INTENTIONS

- ✦ **Sat 17th 6pm:** Annie & Bob Gelston, Michael Hammond (20th A), Daniel & Eileen O'Connell, Jackie & David Gilsean
- ✦ **Sun 18th 9.30am:** Bree Grimes, Tom & Lily Doyle, Carmel & Nicky McConville, Joe Coleman, Stevie Ryan, Mary McGirl
- ✦ **Sun 18th 11am:** Mary Burke (MM), Terry O'Reilly (MM), Tom McDonnell & deceased members of the McDonnell family, Rona & Eugene Ivory, Willie & Kitty Beggs, Helen Dunne
- ✦ **Mon 19th 10am:** Mass Card Intentions
- ✦ **Tues 20th 10am:** Special Intention
- ✦ **Wed 21st 10am:** Peter Murphy
- ✦ **Fri 23rd 10am:** Harry Boylan (1st A) & all who supported and sympathised with the family
- ✦ **Sat 24th 6pm:** Barry Morris, Rory Sheils (10th A)
- ✦ **Sun 25th 9.30am:** Gerry & Rosie Hoare, Larry, Dolores & Sean Hoare, Richard & Anne Keane
- ✦ **Sun 25th 11am:** Joe Murray (MM), Brendan O'Brien, Michael Clayton-Chance (23rd A).

OUR SYMPATHY



To the family of Joan Cronin who died recently. May she Rest in Peace.

FEAST DAYS

- 21st April – St. Anselm
- 23rd April – St. George & St. Adalbert

SYNOD OF BISHOPS

Last week a Vatican newspaper had an article about the Synod of bishops here in Ireland and how the bishops want to engage with all the laity. I had not seen nor heard anything about it so I contacted Archbishops House and received back the following link:

www.catholicbishops.ie/synod

These are unusual times so please let as many people as possible know. They wish firstly to know what would be our preferred method of communication with them. Answers to this have to be in before Pentecost Sunday **23rd May**. The Irish Church of the future will be determined by this synod, so as Catholics we should all try to contribute our ideas.

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TROCAIRE LENTEN CAMPAIGN 2021

Please return your TROCAIRE boxes to the parish office at your convenience. The office is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday **11am – 1pm**.

PARISH BOOK



During the month of April and the Easter season we will be reading **Hope to Die: the Christian meaning of Death and the Resurrection of the Body by Scott Hahn**. As Catholics, we believe in the resurrection of the body. We profess it in our creed. We honour the dead in our Liturgy through the Rite of Christian burial. We do all of this, and more, because when Jesus Christ took on flesh for the salvation of our souls, He also bestowed great dignity on our bodies. In **Hope to Die**, Scott Hahn explores the significance of death and burial from a Catholic perspective. The promise of the bodily resurrection brings into focus the need for the dignified care of our bodies at the hour of death. Unpacking both Scripture and Catholic teaching, **Hope to Die** reminds us that we are destined for glorification on the last day.

AWARE – SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS

If you, or those with whom you work wish to connect with people in relation to your mental well being, 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. For more information about the groups <https://www.aware.ie/support/support-groups/> and all of our services on www.aware.ie

30 YEARS AGO IN THE PARISH

- The Parish Bulletin was holding its Annual Collection
- A special collection was being organised to raise funds for the Red Cross Kurdish relief appeal
- The Community Centre was holding a competition to name their new gym
- The Active retirement group was organising a trip to Christchurch Cathedral.
- The Art group and Gardening group were getting underway again after Easter
- Eva Flood, Gillian Jones, Deirdre Moloney and Olivia Hurley were selected to run on the Dublin Cross-country team against Liverpool.

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. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, **8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024**.

SKERRIES HARPS GAA CLUB



Thank you to all who have renewed their Membership Fees for 2021. With the opening of the playing season imminent (hopefully), we encourage players to ensure they are covered for the Players Injury Scheme as per GAA requirements. Details are on the website.

We hope to resume our Juvenile Academy outdoor activities in early May. Louise is currently working with Dublin GAA to finalise details and will be in touch with parents when these are finalised. Thanks to Allcare Pharmacy for their support.

Zingo results for Sunday 11th April 3-1-5-2-6-7-4, no winners. Next Sundays Jackpot is €6K – that's SIX THOUSAND EURO! Online entry is still €5 for 3 lines. Thanks to all who play Zingo every week. See link on www.skerriesharps.ie

Since 2007, Skerries Harps have provided a Defibrillator in the car park, accessible to the community. It has now come to the end of its useful working life and needs to be replaced. **To make a donation contact:**

secretary.skerriesharps.dublin@gaa.ie or donate via link at: <https://savealife.communityheartprogram.com/gaa/page/skerries-harps-dublin>

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Burke - On the Month's Mind of Mary Burke's passing her family would like to express their heartfelt thanks to all those who supported and sympathised with them. Martin would like to give a special word of appreciation to Fr Melvyn and the team who helped to make Mary's funeral so special. Also, a special word of thanks to the Funeral Director and his team. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for your intentions.

Boylan - On the 1st Anniversary of the death of Harry Boylan (Northcliffe Heights), his children would like to express their sincere thanks to all their relatives, friends & neighbours for their wonderful support & kindness at the time of Harry's passing and over the last year. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

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