

Skerries Parish Bulletin

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8th – 15th August 2021

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

'My grace is sufficient for you. For power is made perfect in weakness.'

2 Corinthians 12:8

1 Kings 19:4-8: Elijah wanted to die because he thought he had failed in his ministry. Having been touched by an angel, who told him 'get up and eat'. Elijah realised he needed nourishment to keep on going. Elijah, in his ministry, is remembered not by loud or noisy gales but in the quiet breeze that called him. Elijah realized the food and nourishment he needed was the Bread of Life. We call it the Eucharist.

Ephesians 4: 30 - 5: 2: St Paul asks the Ephesians 'not to live the aimless lives that the pagans live'. He asks them to give up their old ways of living, their forlorn, illusory desires, not to hold grudges against others or to lose their temper. Instead he tells them to be friends with one another, forgiving each other as readily as God forgave in Christ.



John 6:41-51: When the people hear Jesus saying he is the 'Bread of Life come down from heaven' they fail to grasp the significance of the statement. They ask, 'Surely this is Jesus son of Joseph? We know his father and mother. How can he now say this?' Jesus shows us he is indeed the one sent by God to give life. We came to this life through believing in Jesus who offers his life(flesh) for the sake of the world. Changing in language from 'bread' to 'flesh' is a shift in meaning towards a reflection on Jesus' death on the cross. The

Eucharist is a time to pause on our life's journey to receive, as Elijah did, the lord's provisions. The Lord says to each of us at the Eucharist, 'Take and eat'. The Lord, through the Eucharist, strengthens us for the road ahead.

Psalm 32:

*The Angel of the Lord is encamped
around those who serve, to rescue them
Taste and see that the Lord is good
He is happy who seeks refuge in Him*

Lectio Divina
Berna Dennis

MASS INTENTIONS

- ✦ Sat 7th 6pm: Lily & Jim Scanlan
- ✦ Sun 8th 9.30am: Paddy McGirl, James & Josephine Dillon, Maura O'Hara
- ✦ Sun 8th 11am: Miriam Keogh, Jenny & Brendan Memmery, Josephine & Jerry McCarthy, Gerard Rafferty, Bill & Bridget Griffin
- ✦ Mon 9th 10am: Mass card intentions
- ✦ Tues 10th 10am: Tom Reynolds
- ✦ Wed 11th 10am: Ibar Carney, Noel Cappock
- ✦ Fri 13th 10am: Anna Gerrard
- ✦ Sat 14th 10am: Ailish & Patrick O'Brien, Kenneth King, Josephine Ryan
- ✦ Sat 14th 6pm: Sheila & Laurence McNally
- ✦ Sun 15th 9.30am: John & Kathleen Mackle
- ✦ Sun 15th 11am: Michael Browne, Sheila & Laurence McNally

OUR SYMPATHY

To the family of Bernadette Kinsella RIP,
Townparks, who died recently.



WE WELCOME



Jaxson Andrews, Orlagh Rose & Sean Óg Kelly, Ava Murray, Thomas Hargadon, Ruben O'Connor, Patrick Wall, Joseph Carroll, Bodhi Molloy, Olivia Bolton, Aoibhin Dodd, Cara Sheehan, Sasha Kelly, Orin O'Connor, Mason Mulvany, Ryleigh Martin, Croia O'Brien Sheerin, Thomas Abid, Almha O'Connor, Lucas O'Shea and Mia Buzinska, all of whom have been recently baptised into our parish family.



FEASTDAYS

- 9th August: St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross
- 10th August: St Lawrence
- 11th August: St Clare
- 13th August: St Fachtna
- 14th August: St Maximilian Kolbe

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BLESSING OF THE PARISH GRAVES



This year once again, it was not possible to hold the Blessing of the Graves in the Parish as we would normally have done.

However, earlier in the summer we blessed the graves of your loved ones in Holmpatrick, Ardla, St. Moibhi's and Baldungan.

You are welcome to view the blessing and say a prayer by clicking the link <https://www.funeralmass.ie/skerries> which you can find on the parish website.

ACCORD CATHOLIC MARRIAGE CARE SERVICE

Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators. Accord is seeking registration of interest from those who have a positive attitude towards marriage in the Catholic Church and the enthusiasm to be part of a team supporting couples who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. Successful applicants will receive professional training and will be part of a team delivering marriage preparation programmes locally in accordance with best practice. Contact Aisling on 01 505 3112 or by email to info@accord.ie.

The closing date for receipt of registration of interest forms to be included in Selections for this year is **Friday 27th August**. Additional information is available on www.accord.ie.

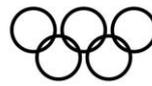
PATHWAYS: EXPLORING FAITH AS AN ADULT

Pathways is a two-year, one evening a week, Adult Faith Development course on Thursday evenings. Run by the Archdiocese of Dublin in DCU St. Patrick's Campus (MDCCE), Drumcondra Road. Late September to May (7.00 – 9.30 pm). Application now open for September 2021. Early application advised. Contact: Pathways Director, Eileen Houlahan at 018087594 at : pathways@dublindioscese. Web: www.evangelisation.ie. Leaflets and further information in the church.

PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS

Archbishop Farrell is asking for people and priests to pray for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life on a regular basis. As you are well aware, the need is great, so let's answer God's call and "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into his harvest."

WELCOME HOME TO OUR OLYMPIANS



Although not medal holders, our two Skerries Olympians, Hugo Lennox and Sean Waddilove can hold their heads high.

Hugo, part of the Irish Rugby 7's team made a solid contribution in all three games. Sean and his partner were very unlucky to receive a very severe penalty to miss out on two races. Despite this setback they came first and second in their final races - great determination in the face of adversity, alas not enough to put them back in medal contention. Roll on Paris 2024, when hopefully we will see them compete again!

30 YEARS AGO IN THE PARISH

- The Annual Blessing of the Boats in the harbour was planned for the end of the month of August
- The Easter Health Board was looking for families who would offer care to foster children
- Skerries Town FC was delighted to announce that the planning permission for their new clubhouse had been passed
- The Island Swim was won by David McGloughlin and the Moloney Cup by Geraldine Thornton
- A beach clean-up was planned for the coming weekend - bring gloves but bags provided.

SKERRIES HARPS GAA CLUB

Our final Summer Camp – Cul Camp No. 2, runs from Monday 9th to Friday 13th August. Congrats to Lyndsey Davey, the new ambassador for the LGFA's new 'BUA' Leadership programme. Wins last week for Junior footballers v O'Tooles (away), Minor footballers v Erins Isle (away) in Div.1, the Minor B team v St Pats and Junior hurlers v Whitehall (home). Fixtures: Sat 7th Inters v Man O'War, home at 6.30pm. Sun: Senior camogie v Cuala, home, 10.30. Minor hurling v Fingallians, home at 11.00. Mon: Junior football v St Pats, home at 7.15. Check all fixtures/results on www.skerriesharps.ie.

An Siopa (Club Shop) open on Thursday evenings from 8 to 9 pm for playing gear/leisure wear. Zingo for Sunday 1st August 6-5-7-2-3-1-4 Dividend €250 won by Paul Murray. Jackpot next week is now €7,600.

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