



# Skerries Parish Bulletin

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19<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> September 2021

## 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Wisdom 2:12. 17-20, Psalm 53.3:3-6.8. St. James 3:16-4:3, Gospel Mark 9:30-37**

In today's Liturgy, we see all the evidence of the power seekers; those who would bully their way against another by critical abuse, exploitation of virtue, and harmful threats. All this behaviour is repeated again and again through time. Why does this happen? It is because there are many people in every walk of life who are jealous and full of ambition, who seek to get ahead at any cost. St James asks, "where do these wars and battles start between ourselves?" The answer is to be found in our trust in God.



The Lord upholds my life.

O God, save me by your name; by your power, uphold my cause.  
O God, hear my prayer; listen to the words of my mouth.

In the Gospel, the answer is clear, "If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all."

For proud men have risen against me, ruthless men seek my life,  
They have no regard for God.

**Church Readers**

### MASS INTENTIONS

- ✦ Sat 18<sup>th</sup> 6pm: Ryan Saunders, Annie Fitzpatrick and the Fitzpatrick family, The Brady Family, Matthew Smyth, Tony Twomey, Cillian Shanley
- ✦ Sun 19<sup>th</sup> 9.30am: Patrick & Annie Dooley, Jack McGuinness
- ✦ Sun 19<sup>th</sup> 11am: Eddie Doyle MM, Sheila & Paddy Brady, Dorothy Murray
- ✦ Mon 20<sup>th</sup> 10am: Mass Card Intentions
- ✦ Tues 21<sup>st</sup> 10am: Theresa & Owen Lamont
- ✦ Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> 10am: Ciarán Crowe, Imelda Greene, Mary Daly
- ✦ Fri 24<sup>th</sup> 10am: John & Sarah Ellis
- ✦ Sat 25<sup>th</sup> 10am: William Ruigrok, Christy Jenkinson, Kathleen Caffrey
- ✦ Sat 25<sup>th</sup> 6pm: Jack & Dede White, Gerry Maguire, Enda McGuinness, Vera & Don Fay
- ✦ Sun 26<sup>th</sup> 9.30am: Doreen Rafferty, Mary Mullins
- ✦ Sun 26<sup>th</sup> 11am: Richard Lambe & the Lambe family, Ann Tomson, Tom Burke, Peter Kelly, Maureen Derham, Ita Williams

### OUR SYMPATHY

To the families of Mary Rogan, Lusk and Ellen (Nellie) Gilsenan, Rush Road, who died recently. May they Rest in Peace.



### WE WELCOME



David O'Rourke, Sean Whitney, Cait Arthur and Sophie Minahan who were recently baptised into our parish family.

### CROSSCARE ANNUAL COLLECTION 2021

The Annual Collection for Crosscare, the social support agency of the Archdiocese of Dublin will be taken up at all Masses in the Diocese this weekend. It will replace the usual Share collection. Through their services for Homeless, Youth, Migrants and Refugees, Crosscare focuses on helping people and families when they need it most. In their Community Foodbanks and Cafes, they provide food parcels and nutritious meals every day. Demand for their services continues to increase as the pandemic has impacted the most vulnerable in our parishes and communities. Please give generously in the second collection at all Masses on 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> September or on line at [www.crosscare.ie](http://www.crosscare.ie). Thank you.

## FEASTDAYS

21<sup>st</sup> September – St Matthew, Apostle  
23<sup>rd</sup> September – St Pius & St Eunan  
25<sup>th</sup> September – St Finbarr  
26<sup>th</sup> September – World Day of Migrants  
and Refugees

## PARISH BOOK CLUB



Our Parish Book Club has not been able to meet in person for quite a while due to the restrictions. However, we have continued to read and this month

we will be reading *Thirsting for Prayer* by Fr. Jacques Philippe. *Thirsting for Prayer* helps guide the reader on a path to intimacy with God and to develop a taste for personal prayer through presenting new insights from Fr. Philippe that are profound and practical. The writings of Fr. Philippe on prayer, interior freedom, and peace of heart have become what many believe to be classics of modern Catholic spirituality.

## 30 YEARS AGO IN THE PARISH

- Newly baptised were Patricia Byrne, Sinead Gaughran and Ciaran Lappin
- The Annual Mass for deceased members of Skerries Fire Brigade was celebrated
- The 11am Sunday Parish Mass was resuming, with boys and girls from next year's Confirmation class providing the readings and prayers over the coming year
- Tickets for Skerries Arts Week were now on sale
- Well done to all Skerries athletes who took part in the national finals of the Community Games in Mosney
- Members of Skerries Active Retirement Association were heading for an outing to the House of Lords and Armoury at the Bank of Ireland

## SKERRIES LADIES BOWLS

Thanks to all who volunteered their services to host the semi-finals of the LBLI Senior and Junior Pairs at the club this weekend. Next weekend will see the semi-finals and finals of the Singles. Matches on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> at 10.30 and 2pm. Come along and watch ladies bowling at its best !

## 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. Support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

## SKERRIES HARPS GAA CLUB

Seniors footballers won Championship group game v Clontarf and play champions Ballymun next. Inters drew with St Vincents and Juniors won v Thos Davis. Congrats to our Under 16 A Girls who won their league – and to the B team, runners-up in theirs!

Sun 19<sup>th</sup> : Minor football C'ship v Raheny, home, 11am and Hurlers home v Lucan at 3pm.  
Wed. 22<sup>nd</sup> : Senior Ladies v Sylvesters, home at 6.45 pm in the Championship.

Check fixtures/results on [www.skerriesharps.ie](http://www.skerriesharps.ie)  
Zingo Jackpot won again! Numbers for 12 Sept. 5-2-1-3-7-4-6. Jackpot €1,200 won by Pat Dwyer. Draw in the Club at 6.30pm on Sunday, with in-house draw for Spot Prizes. Academy resumes on Sat 25 Sept.

For details email

[skerriesharpsacademy@gmail.com](mailto:skerriesharpsacademy@gmail.com).

## TIME TO SAY GOODBYE!

By the time you read this edition of the Bulletin, Fr. James will have said his first Mass in his new parish of Old Bawn/Boherbreena. A full (well Covid full) church had the opportunity to bid him farewell last Wednesday morning at 10 am Mass, when a presentation was made to him, on behalf of parishioners, by Fr. Melvyn. From the Bulletin group we would like to thank him most sincerely for his contributions each week and the support he always gave us, particularly during these strange Covid times. We wish him every happiness and good health in his new Parish. However, he will still be able to keep up-to-date with what's happening in St. Patricks, as he'll continue to be on our mailing list ! Slán agus beannacht !

## MISSED A COPY OF THE BULLETIN ???

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