



# Skerries Parish Bulletin

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

Jeremiah 31:7-9, Psalm 125, Hebrews 5:1-6, Mark 10:46-52



In the first reading, the Lord says this: Shout with joy for Jacob! Hail the Chief of nations! Proclaim! Praise! Shout! "The Lord has saved his people, the remnant of Israel"

It is not difficult to see the great joy throughout this reading. From the ends of the earth, woman, children, the blind and the lame everyone was saved by the Lord.

In the Gospel, we see the blind man cured by the Lord because his faith had saved him.

As we proclaim the Psalm, just reflect on the meaning it holds for us in today's world.

What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.

Those who are sowing in tears will sing when they reap.

They go out full of tears carrying seed for the sowing, they come back full of song carrying their sheaves.

Perhaps the next time we ask the Lord for his help with our problems, we will remember to give him praise and thanks for the marvels He has worked for us.

Church Readers

### Mass Intentions

- ✦ Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> 10.00am: Jim Weldon, Tony Forde.
- ✦ Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> 9.30am: Brian McEvoy.
- ✦ 11.00am: Cissie Lally (MM), Marie Mazur (1<sup>st</sup> A), Colette Branagan (1<sup>st</sup> A), Esther Crosbie, Bridget and Richard Lambe, Kathleen Keeley.
- ✦ Monday 25<sup>th</sup> 11.00am Peter McMahon, Mass Card Intentions.
- ✦ Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> 10.00am: Gerard and John Robinson.
- ✦ Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> 10.00am: Michael McGealy. Michael Guiney.
- ✦ Friday 29<sup>th</sup> 10.00am: John Daly.
- ✦ Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> 10.00am: Finian Murray (1<sup>st</sup> A), Margo McAuley, James Marron, Phyllis Finnerty. Special intention for Maurice Cussen on the occasion of his happy 80<sup>th</sup> birthday.
- ✦ 6.00pm: Olga & Des Reynolds, Patty McGrath,
- ✦ Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> 9.30am: Anna Walsh.
- ✦ 11.00am: Garry Westby (1<sup>st</sup> A), Michael Daly, Jane Dardis.

**Today is Mission Sunday** and the second collection (Share) is being taken up to help the work of missionaries throughout the world. Envelopes are provided on the tables in the church for this special purpose.

**Reminder that on 25<sup>th</sup> October Bank Holiday, Mass will be at 11.00am.**  
**Also, there is no Mass on Thursday mornings for the foreseeable future.**

### Sunday Collections

You might notice a new piece of furniture in the glass area of the church. The Archdiocese instructed us to install a 'Tap & Go' machine. Whatever you donate, the diocese has already set that it is divided 60% to the 1<sup>st</sup> collection and 40% to the 2<sup>nd</sup> collection, Share. This is the initial split they decided upon. All monies donated using the Tap & Go will go directly to the diocese. Please, if you have been using the envelopes and baskets to donate you do not have to use the new machine. Just continue as you were – no need to change anything. Thank you.

## Feastdays

27<sup>th</sup> Oct – St Otteran,

28<sup>th</sup> Oct – Simon & Jude Apostles,

29<sup>th</sup> Oct – St Colman

## Drug and Alcohol Programme.



Crosscare's Drug and Alcohol programme, which offers a free addiction counselling service, is currently looking for student, pre-accredited and accredited counsellors/psychotherapists to **volunteer** once a week for a minimum of 1 to 3 hours in the Blanchardstown and Balbriggan services. If you are interested please contact [susan@crosscare.ie](mailto:susan@crosscare.ie) or call 01 8360911

## 30 Years Ago in the Parish

- The Parish contribution to the cost of our primary schools had risen to £7 per pupil
- Frances Hogan continued her weekly talks on the Gospels in the Library.
- A special account had been set up in each of the three banks for those who would like to support Skerries religious working in the Missions.
- The Active Retirement Association had organised Yoga sessions, a Ramblers group and Irish classes.
- Holy Faith/de la Salle College appealed for volunteers to help run the 23 extra-curricular (predominantly sporting) activities offered to students.
- The Marian Musical and Dramatic Society was planning for their annual one-act Drama Festival - 5 nights, 14 plays.
- Congratulations to Skerries Youth Theatre group who were overall winners in the Cabinteely Festival of Youth Drama - producer Ann O'Sullivan and best actress Fiona Murray.

## 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.

## 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, now and throughout the coming season. 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](http://www.aware.ie)

## skerries Harps GAA Club



Minor footballers qualified for the A Championship semi-final with a win away to Ballyboden.

The B team lost to Erin go Bragh in the Shield playoff. Adult hurlers lost to Lucan in the Junior Championship quarter-final and the Senior Ladies footballers defeated Naul. Zingo result for Sunday 17th Oct.

5,6,7,4,1,2,3. No winners this week. Next weeks Jackpot is €1,500. Draw in clubhouse on Sundays at 6.30 pm.

Sunday 24 Oct. Inter Football qtr-final v Cuala, home at 11 am and Minor Hurling Ch'ship quarter-final v Clontarf, away at 11 am. Junior Football Ch'ship playoff v Na Fianna, away at 3 pm

Senior Ladies face Castleknock, away at 3 pm in the Championship semi-final.

Check fixtures/results on [www.skerriesharps.ie](http://www.skerriesharps.ie)

Club Shop open on Thursday evenings 8 to 9 pm and on Saturday mornings during the Academy. Full range of Skerries Harps playing gear available. Get your Christmas orders in early!!

Our Christmas Draw tickets will be available online and in book form soon. All prizes will be purchased locally in order to support the Skerries business community.

**Lost:** Ladies glasses lost on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> in or near St. Patrick's Church, rectangular lenses with cream frames. If found please contact 086 860 88 99