



6th Sunday of Easter



1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 15:1-2,22-29 Psalm 66 2nd Reading: Apocalypse 21:10-14, 22-23 Gospel: John 14:23-23

The Comfort of God's Presence

In the 1st Reading we are told "It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burdens beyond the essentials". This is a call to us to look at the burdens we put upon ourselves - anxiety, fear, negativity etc. All these emotions weigh us down. But rather than being discouraged the gospel reassures us that the Holy Spirit living in us will fill us with peace. All we need to do is to be aware of that Presence. This week let us tune into the comfort that God's presence brings to our lives. And may we be a comfort to family, friends and neighbours so that together we may sing His praises.

"Let the peoples praise you O God
Let all the peoples praise you." Ps 66

Holy Faith Sisters

MASS INTENTIONS

- ✦ **Sat 21st 10am:** No Mass, Holy Communion for St. Patrick's Junior School
- ✦ **Sat 21st 2.00pm:** Holy Communion for Milverton
- ✦ **Sat 21st 6pm:** Patrick (Paddy) Cappock (MM), Margaret Corry (1st A), Jim & Lily Scanlan, Elizabeth Ward
- ✦ **Sun 22nd 9.30am:** Dick Fanning, Dolores Maguire
- ✦ **Sun 22nd 11am:** Colm O'Connor (1st A), Marie Grimes, Oliver Grennon, John Thornton
- ✦ **Mon 23rd 10am:** Mass Card Intentions
- ✦ **Tues 24th 10am:** Carmel Healy
- ✦ **Wed 25th 10am:** Fr. Gerry Byrne, David Brady, Gerard Harford, Delia & Annie Keeling, John Grimes, William & Bridget Mc Donough
- ✦ **Sat 28th 10am:** No Mass, Holy Communion for Educate Together / Holmpatrick Schools.
- ✦ **Sat 28th 6pm:** Cecilia (Sheila) McGuinness (1st A), Kathleen Power, Eileen Leonard
- ✦ **Sun 29th 9.30am:** Brian O'Loughlin, John Conlan, Eamonn O'Neill
- ✦ **Sun 29th 11am:** Martin & Patrick Mongan, Tom, Pat & Mary Mongan & family, Barney & Fiona O'Reilly, Bridie Shankey.

PLEASE NOTE

There will be no morning Mass on **Saturday 21st May** when First Holy Communion will be celebrated.

Parish Office will be closed the 27th May 2022.

No Mass is held on a Thursday.

CONGRATULATIONS



To all the girls and boys in our parish who celebrated the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on Saturday. We remember them in our prayers during this special time in their young lives.

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES

Sunday 5th June: Holmpatrick - 2.30pm
Baldungan - 4pm

Sunday 12th June: Ardla - 2.30pm
Milverton - 4pm

HOLMPATRICK PARISH CHURCH

The **Prayer of Stillness** will be prayed in Holmpatrick Church for the final time this season on **May 25th**. We hope it can be resumed in the Autumn.

30 YEARS AGO IN THE PARISH

- Newly baptised were Emma O'Rourke and Aisling McIlwaine
- The annual Blessing of the Graves was set for August dates
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament was being held on Sunday 24th
- Those travelling with the Parish pilgrimage to Lourdes were reminded to check that their passports were up to date
- Tidy Towns encouraged our business premises to get their window boxes and hanging baskets ready
- The Marian Musical and Dramatic Society was holding its AGM.

SKERRIES LADIES BOWLS



Both Div. 2 and Div. 3 teams were away last week to Crumlin and Westmanstown respectively.

Although early in the season, Div. 2 are lying joint 2nd in their league and Div. 3 are on top - well done! Monday mornings will continue to be a non-competitive morning for all lady members, so come along and join in!

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/ If you would like to volunteer with Aware, please see their website for more information: <https://www.aware.ie/get-involved/volunteering/>.

We extend our prayers and sympathies to the Holy Faith Community, Skerries on the recent death of Sr. Una Coughlan. Sr. Una has been a member of our community in Skerries for many years and has been outstanding in her missionary zeal. May she Rest in the Peace of the Risen Lord.

SKERRIES COMMUNITY GAMES

It's back! Skerries Community Games track and field event, **Sunday 22nd May** at the Community Centre Pitch. Field events are from **12.30pm** and track from **2.30pm**. Come and support the children of the town.

SKERRIES HARPS GAA CLUB



Away wins this week for our 2 Adult Hurling teams against Cr Ciaran and Wild Geese. In the Senior football championship we have been drawn in a tough group with St Judes, Thomas Davis and Na Fianna.

Sat 21st May Senior football v Na Fianna, away at 6.30 pm.

Tues 24th Hurlers - A team play Faughs, home at 7.30 pm and B team play St. Finians, Thurs **26th** home at 7.30 pm.

Primary Schools Tournament continues each **Monday at 6pm** with finals on **6 June**. Juvenile Academy every Saturday at 10am with Club Shop open.

Bar open at weekends for all TV sports and Zingo draw. Room Hire available or if planning a function contact Pat on 087 250 5479, email bookings.harps@gmail.com

Summer Camp Dates Cúl Camp 1: **11 to 15 July**, Multi Sport Camp: **25 to 29 July**. Nursery Camp: **15 to 19 Aug**, 4-7yrs. Cúl Camp 2: **22 to 26 Aug**. Full details shortly.

Zingo for 15 May: 1,5,3,7,4,6,2. No winners. Jackpot for 22 May is €4,500. Draw in club every Sunday at 6.30 pm with Free draw for Spot Prizes. Zingo entry €2 or 3 for €5. Play Online.

For all club news follow our Facebook page or see www.skerriesharps.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. 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.