



Skerries Parish Bulletin

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Who is My Neighbour?

Amos 6:1.4-7,

Psalms 145,

1 Timothy 6:11-16,

Luke 16:19-31,

One clear message from today's readings is that our Christian faith not only obliges us to avoid doing evil, but obliges us to actively do good.

In the Gospel Jesus tells the parable of the rich man and Lazarus. The rich man was dressed in purple and fine linen (expensive clothing) and feasted magnificently every day. In contrast, a poor man named Lazarus sat outside his gate and would have been happy to eat scraps from the rich man's table. In the parable the rich man is not guilty of actively harming the poor man, he did not kick him, nor swear at him nor drive him away. He just ignored him. He did nothing to ease his burden of poverty and this is what he is accused of. A sin of omission, a sin of insensitivity, a lifetime of ignoring the suffering of the poor.



In the first century one was only aware of people who lived close by. Nowadays we are aware of the suffering of poor throughout the world, we see the pictures of those forced by events such as war or drought or famine or lack of housing who are forced to live in horrendous conditions. We can feel helpless in the face of so much suffering. We all share this little planet. Nowadays, conscious of climate change, we are aware that our thoughtless consumption of energy has had disproportionate effects on many of the poor of the world and that we should help others by using less.

Lord, that we might see the signs of the times and then act to help others.

Lydia Gillen, Bible Study Group

MASS INTENTIONS

- ✦ **Sat 24th 10am:** George O'Connor
- ✦ **6pm:** Jack & Dede White, Matthew Smyth, Gerry Maguire, Billy Ryan (rem), John & Sarah Ellis
- ✦ **Sun 25th 9.30am:** Doreen Rafferty, Mary Mullins (BR), Kathleen Caffrey
- ✦ **11.00am:** Cissie Lally (1st A), Ann Tomson, Tom Burke, Grace & Michael Lyons, Joan & William Ruigrok, Christy Jenkinson, Helen & Pat Rooney (celebrating 50th wedding anniversary)
- ✦ **Mon 26th 10am:** Mass Card Intentions
- ✦ **Tues 27th 10am:** Peter Kelly, Maryanne Minogue
- ✦ **Wed 28th 10am:** Gerry Maguire, Enda McGuinness
- ✦ **Fri 30th 10am:** George O'Connor, Patrick Leonard, Margaret Coughlan
- ✦ **Sat 1st 10am:** Maeve Larkin

- ✦ **6pm:** Dermot Higgins, Bert, Margaret & Hughie Horan, Anne Kelly, Sadie & William Johnston, Mairead Donnelly, Nina Brennan & Nora Henneberry, Seamus Sweetman
- ✦ **Sun 2nd 9.30am:** Frank Jordan
- ✦ **11.00am:** Florrie (Florence) Casey, Philip Fagan, Josephine & James Dillon, Eanna O'Kelly, Maureen & Bob Derham

OUR SYMPATHY



To the families of Johnny Flanagan, RIP, Mourne Park and Angela Burke, RIP, Harbour Road who died recently. May they Rest in Peace.

FEASTDAYS

25th Sep – St Finbarr; 27th Sep – St Vincent de Paul; 29th Sep – Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels; 30th Sep – St Jerome; 1st Oct – St Theresa of the Child Jesus

WE WELCOME

Jorja Mya Howard, Leo Thomas Keegan-Garland, Croia Linn Harford, Fiadh Jane Roche, Dara Una Cullen, Cliodhna Maddock, Xavier William Roche, Darcie Lo Roche, all of whom were baptised into our parish family recently.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The monthly church door collection in support of our local conference of St. Vincent de Paul will take place after all Masses this weekend 24/25th September. All contributions are much appreciated.

NEW PRÍOMHOIDE IN SCOIL RÉALT NA MARA

"It is a great honour and privilege to be appointed Principal of Scoil Réalt na Mara. The school has always had great links with the entire community in Skerries and I look forward to maintaining and indeed building those relationships in the years ahead. Ní neart go cur le chéile."

Chomhghairdeas a Mháistir Joe Ó Fearraigh.

MAGNIFICAT PRAYER GROUP

Our prayer group will resume again on Tuesday September 27th in the Cricket Club. Our new time is 2–3 p.m. Please join us for Rosary & Scripture. All are welcome.

30 YEARS AGO IN THE PARISH

- Congratulations to all those parishioners who celebrated Silver, Ruby or Golden anniversaries at a special mass for them and their families
- The Legion of Mary pilgrimage to Knock was taking place this weekend
- Sr. Eileen, a Holy Faith sister now working in Peru thanked all those who had raised money for her mission recently
- A wide range of adult classes was being organised by SAGE in the Sailing Club
- Spotlight on Skerries was organising a wide range of cultural activities for their annual festival
- Skerries Choral Society was organising a trip to take part in "Messiah" in the Point Theatre

SKERRIES LADIES BOWLS

Our Division 3 team were presented with the McIntyre Cup at the awards ceremony in Clontarf Bowling Club last weekend. Well done to all on the Div. 3 panel! Monday morning fun competition continues, €2. Sign in before 10.30.

ENERGY ADVICE

A few more ideas on how to keep the bills down. Use your oven wisely - can you bake double the amount? Can you include more than one item when you turn your oven on? And don't forget to turn off the stand-by switch when not in use. Many people keep it on in order to have a clock in the kitchen. A separate battery operated clock would be more economical. Charging your phone or other device - don't do it overnight! Your device probably charges in a few hours - leaving it plugged in overnight is using electricity you don't really need.

SKERRIES HARPS GAA CLUB

Results – Senior Camogie team lost to Ballinteer in the Senior2 semi-final; Ladies qualified for the Shield final with a win over Lucan and Senior footballers retained their Senior1 championship status by defeating R/Towers, Lusk in their last game of the season.

Sun 25 Sep. FINAL of Ladies Intermediate Shield v St Maurs (Rush) in Skerries at 3 pm; Junior Hurling Championship playoff v St Vincents, away at 11 am.

Sat 1 Oct. Intermediate Football Qtr final v Lucan, away at 5 pm.

Sun 2 Oct. Junior Football v Kilmacud, home at 3 pm.

Juvenile Academy every Saturday at 10am.

Parents can now register at the link <https://skerriesharps.clubzap.com/prod.../8969/purchases/new>.

Club Shop open on Thursday evenings from 7.30 to 8.30 pm and on Saturdays mornings during Academy.

Zingo result for 18 Sep: 5,3,1,2,7,4,6.

No winners. Jackpot now €1,600. Draw on Sunday in Clubhouse at 6.30 pm with free In-house draw. Play online - just download the Clubforce App. For all club news follow our Facebook page or see www.skerriesharps.ie