



Skerries Parish Bulletin

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Easter Sunday

Jesus Our Risen Lord – New Hope – New vision



The Easter message calls us to develop a new vision so that we can share a new hope. When Mary of Magdala arrived at the tomb and saw it was empty her heart sank. All hope seemed to vanish. It was only when Peter and John entered the tomb and believed that they began to understand that Jesus had risen from the dead.

We all need others to help us grow and develop a new hope and vision that is based on faith. The core of which is our belief that Jesus is risen and remains with us every moment of our lives. Our hope helps us to see and notice new life around us and within us. Small changes can pay big dividends. Setting aside time for the

Lord and others in our day helps us to see differently. It helps us to console, strengthen and encourage one another at all times.

The phoenix was one of the earliest symbols of the Risen Christ. It reminds us of how each day we rise to new life in all sorts of situations. How we can offer ourselves to one another, even though we are least drawn to do so, is a resurrection in itself. Let us be people who bring that new vision and hope to one another by our words or less of them, by our deeds and more of them. We are people of the resurrection and ‘Alleluia’ is our song. I wish you all blessings of new hope and peace this Easter.

Fr. Melvyn

Anniversary and Special Intention Masses

Sat. 8th: **Holy Saturday** – no MORNING MASS

Sun. 9th: 9.30 a.m.: Easter Card Intentions, James Fanning, Joseph Beggs, Paddy Murray, Mary Ingram, Gerard and Beatrice(Beta) MacMahon, Carmel Cullen (month’s mind)

11 a.m.: Easter Card Intentions, Kathleen & James Murtagh, James & Rita Boylan, Richard Lambe & decd. members of the Lambe family, Sean D’Arcy, Michael Ferguson, Bernard & Agnes Connor and family, Michael & Brigid O’Reilly and family

Mon. 10th: 11 a.m.: Mass Card Intentions

Tues. 11th: 11 a.m.: Daniel Croke, Larr Croke,(rem), Jim McGloughlin, Miriam Smith, Fr. Michael O’Donovan, Kay Whelan

Wed. 12th: 11 a.m.: Tommy Dixon, Carmel Begley(rec. decd), Colm & Lil O’Nuallain, Sr. Marie O’Nolan, May Groundy and decd. members of Rooney family

Fri. 14th: 11 a.m.: Kevin Earley (month’s mind), Eileen Nugent, Special Intention

Sat.15th: 6 p.m.: Barbara McGarry, Dermot Mulholland, May Smyth, Stevie Ryan

Sun.16th: 9.30 a.m.: Bree Grimes, Thomas & Lena Monks, May Murphy, Charles & Eileen Murray, Rose Murray, Anne Fagan

Christ has risen - Alleluia

Many thanks



to all Parishioners who have helped in any way with the Liturgy, decoration of the

church, music and preparations for our celebration of Eastertide this year. A gentle reminder that Easter Dues can be returned at any time over the coming week.

Morning Mass – for the coming week will be at 11 a.m. – a little lie-in for all!

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Monthly Collection is 14th /16th April for the St Vincent De Paul. Any contribution, no matter how small, will be truly appreciated. Printed Blue Envelopes are available in the Church and the Parish Office and also from our individual members who might be known to you personally

Special Olympics

The annual collection will take place on Friday 21st April. Collectors urgently needed for Gerry’s Supermarket. If you could volunteer an hour or two, please contact by text message or phone call 0861622245 (Margaret Duffy) Many thanks

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Tools for Tanzania ! What's in your shed or attic ?



Do you have old gardening tools/hand tools/an old sewing machine gathering dust ? A non-profit scheme organised via

Malahide Lions Club will collect your old items and through Solidarity Belfast will have them serviced/fixed/graded and shipped to Tanzania. There through 3 training schools, more than two thousand Tanzanians have already been trained to become independent tailors/seamstresses. The small act of donating a machine can give Tanzanians financial independence and dignity. If you have an item/items, no matter what the condition, you wish to donate, please contact 085-8172660 to arrange for collection

Walk with Charlie Bird !

In order to make people more aware of the work they do, Charlie Bird is joining Samaritans and friends from all over Leinster on Sunday 16th April, in Avondale Forest Park, Wicklow. He will walk the 5km route(also a 1km walk) and plant a tree. Charlie is doing this because he supports the aims and work of the Samaritans. **PLEASE SUPPORT CHARLIE AS HE SUPPORTS US.** There is no entry fee, but it is essential to register beforehand, in order to ascertain numbers – www.charlieswalkoffriendship.com. Everyone is welcome, including dogs on leads.

Skerries Ladies Bowls

A great morning of fun was held last Monday with our Easter Bonnet morning. Many thanks to those who organised it and to all who bought along a plate of goodies. Money collected on the morning was donated to Irish Cancer Society. The Opening tournament will take place on Friday next, 14th in Westmanstown. €5 entry fee per player on the day. As April is designated as Autism Month, a donation will be made to ASIAM, Ireland's Autism charity. The first matches of the League season will take place as follows: Div. 2, away to Greystones, Wed. 19th and Div.3, away to Clontarf on Thurs. 20th. Good luck to all who will be taking part.

Skerries Historical Society

The next meeting of the Society will take place on Tuesday, 11th at 8.15 in Skerries Bowling Club. Sr. Vivienne Keely CHF, will present a talk on "Skerries born John Gowan CM, 'zealous priest and sterling patriotic Irishman." All are welcome



30 years ago in the Parish

The previous week's collection in aid of the Bulletin had yielded £900

It was Holy Week and Lenten lunches were being served in the Methodist Church on Wed morning
Congratulations to Daragh O'Reilly, Scoil Realt na Mara -prizewinner in the INTO's handwriting competition

Advocate Collection in aid of Sunshine House, Balbriggan yielded £724

Marian Musical Society thanked all who had supported and helped with their outstanding production of "The Mikado". They will participate in the Northern Ireland Festival of Light Opera in June

It's not too late!

We have a few places still available on Skerries Twinning Association's trip to the Canton of Guichen this summer. The four day trip takes place from 29th Jun-4th Jul. As this is a twinning exchange, your meals, accommodation and outings are free. You just need to get yourself there – flights to Nantes with Ryanair on Thurs. 29th. Or if you are already planning a trip to France, why not join us for those four days – individuals and families welcome. For further information, contact us at skerriestwinning.ie.

Skerries Harps GFC

Most fixtures and our Juvenile Academy fell foul of weather conditions last weekend.

Minor Hurling v Clontarf was played on Friday night and resulted in a draw.

Inter county representatives this week were Adam Fearon on Dubs panel for the final v Derry, Eoghan O'Connor Flanagan, Ethan Dunne and Greg McEaney with Dub Under 20's v Offaly, Cillian Emmett Dub Minors v Louth and Hannah McGinnis on Dublin Minor ladies v Longford.

Please support our Bag Packing in Super Valu over the Easter weekend – part of our fundraising push towards our planned All -Weather training pitch development.

To book our clubhouse for any events or celebrations, **contact Pat on 087 250 5479**

Easter Camps for boys and girls continue next week on 11 to 13 April.

Zingo for 2 Apr. 5, 7, 3, 2, 1, 4, 6. Dividend won by Chris Harmer on 26 March. Jackpot now €1,800. Draw in Club each Sunday evening with Free In-house Draw for Spot Prizes.

See www.skerriesharps.ie and check our Social media for latest Club news.

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