



Skerries Parish Bulletin

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7th – 14th May 2023

5th Sunday of Easter

**Acts of Apostles 6:1-7, Psalm 32:1-2.4-5.18-19, St. Peter 2:4-9,
Gospel John 14:1-12**

In the 1st Reading we see the work the Apostles did with the people, instructing them in the Word of God. The Word of the Lord spread, the number of disciples increased.

St. Peter draws on the strength of the men chosen by God to do his work by comparing them to the stone which builds with strength the spiritual house of God. This strength is built on trust, loyalty, justice and love. The unbeliever rejects the stone of faith, stumbling as they go through life.

“For the word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted.
The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love.”

In the Gospel the Lord says -

“I am the Way, the Truth and the Life”,
“Do not let your hearts be troubled, trust in God, and trust in me.”



In times of trouble and stress let us remember these very important words.

Church Readers

MASS INTENTIONS

- ✦ **Sat 6th 10am:** Holy Communion for Scoil Réalt Na Mara
- ✦ **Sat 6th 2pm:** Holy Communion for Scoil Réalt Na Mara
- ✦ **Sat 6th 6pm:** Emile Grimes, Bobby Beggs, Peadar Clerkin, Hyacinth Maguire, William Mooney, Mary Mooney, Jackie & David Gilsean, Alice & Owen Costello
- ✦ **Sun 7th 9.30am:** Sean McCann & deceased members of the McCann family, Leo & Kathleen Tolan, Paddy & Marie Richardson (BR), Edmund & Rose Rogers
- ✦ **Sun 7th 11am:** Declan Walsh (MM), Dessie McGirl Snr, Desmond McGirl Jnr, Paddy & Peggy Coleman, Maurice Walls, John Grimes, Sarah Branagan
- ✦ **Mon 8th 10am:** Mass Card Intentions
- ✦ **Tues 9th 10am:** Joseph Bradley, Kathleen & John Mackle, Mrs Holt (RD)
- ✦ **Wed 10th 10am:** Sarah Cullen
- ✦ **Fri 12th 10am:** Mary Browne (Rem), Jim & Fran McDonough, Mary Mullins
- ✦ **Sat 13th 10am:** Holy Communion for St Patrick's Junior School
- ✦ **Sat 13th 2pm:** Holy Communion for St Patrick's Junior School

- ✦ **Sat 13th 6pm:** Thomas Ellis 1st A, Malachy Armstrong, Noeleen Beggs Taaffe, Nicholas & Mary Ellis (Rem), Thomas & Bridget Ferguson, Kay & Rose McGee, Patrick Hughes (MM)
- ✦ **Sun 14th 9.30am:** Charlie & Fran Grimes, Peadar Clerkin, Mary & Thomas Hughes, Nancy Jordan
- ✦ **Sun 14th 11am:** Eithne Jones (MM), Jimmy & Peter Lambe, Mary Kinsella, Margaret McDonnell

OUR SYMPATHY

To the families of Carmel Lawlor, Churchfields, Breda Kelly, Rush Road, Catherine (Kit) Allen and Ray (Raymond) O'Farrell who died recently. May they Rest in Peace.

WE WELCOME

Cian Lee, Jolie Mae Tattan, Kit Matthew Coen, Lilah Grace Godwin, Caolan Walsh, Christopher Damian Fox-Heil and Meadhbh Mary Dowling, all baptised into our parish family recently.

FEASTDAYS

- 8th May – Blessed John Sullivan
- 10th May – St Comgall
- 13th May – Feast of Our Lady of Fatima.

CONGRATULATIONS to the girls & boys of 2nd class Scoil Réalt na Mara NS who received First Holy Communion this week. Many thanks to all who helped in their preparation and in our celebrations.

Next Saturday **13th May** we will celebrate First Holy Communion with 2nd class boys & Girls from St. Patrick's JNS - Ms. Kelly/Ms McMenamin class at 10am & Ms. Holohan's class at 2pm.

The following Saturday **20th May** we will celebrate First Holy Communion with Ms. Noone's class (St Patrick's JNS) at 10am & with Ms. Smith's class Sc. Mobhi, Milverton & 2nd class children from ETNS/Holmpatrick NS at 2pm. You are very welcome to join us at any of these celebrations.

LAY MINISTRY SUNDAY

This weekend **6th/7th May is Lay Ministry Sunday** in our diocese. The second collection will be taken up to support lay ministry in the diocese and will replace the Share collection.

CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION CARDS are available in the Parish Office.

30 YEARS AGO IN THE PARISH

- Community Games Swimming Gala to be held in Gormanston Pool next weekend
- A new retail outlet was being organised in Fingal Training Workshop, where training and employment is offered to more than 50 local adults
- A final appeal was being made for families to host young people from Chernobyl in July/August 1993
- Well done to Skerries Town FC 1st team who have won the league title as well as the Tim Murphy Cup
- Rush Drama Society is presenting "The Plough and the Stars" in the Millbank Theatre

SKERRIES FORGET ME NOT CAFÉ

Skerries Forget Me Not Café is a new meeting place for people living with dementia, their carers, friends and families.

Come to make new friends, exchange stories and ideas, to find out more about dementia services in this area and have a little fun.

The next café will take place on Wednesday, May 10th from 11am to 1pm in Skerries Harps Clubhouse on the Dublin Road.

SKERRIES TWINNING ASSOCIATION

It is with deep regret we have learned of the death of Kit Allen, who played such an active role in the Association for many years. Always good humoured and full of fun, delightful host with her sister Maureen, Kit embodied the true spirit of town twinning in its best sense. To her family, brothers, sister and nieces and nephews we send our sincere sympathy. May Kit rest in peace.

SKERRIES HISTORICAL SOCIETY

May talk will be a change from the advertised programme. Oona Roycroft will present 'A brief history of Skerries time' on Tuesday 9th May at 8:15pm in Skerries Bowling Club. All welcome. Non-members admission charge of €5.

SKERRIES LADIES BOWLING CLUB

Bowling is a great means of remaining fit, suitable for all ages. We are holding two open days this coming weekend - why not come along and give it a try? From 2-4 p.m., Saturday and Sunday at the Clubhouse, Tennis Court Lane. Well done to the ladies Div 2 team who had a great win over Clontarf last Wednesday - full points gained.

SKERRIES HARPS GAA CLUB

Sunday 7 May Junior football v N. Fionbarra, home at 11 am; both Minor hurling teams are away. **Wed** Intermediate hurlers v Cuala, home at 7.15 pm and Senior ladies v O'Dwyers, home at 7.30pm. Well done to Daire Geoghegan & Paddy Copeland who represented the club with the Dublin u16s. The Dubs played 2 matches - 1 away vs Westmeath & 1 home vs Armagh and won both! Juvenile Academy every Saturday at 10am – Club Shop open for refreshments and sale of playing gear and leisure wear.

Zingo for 30 April 4, 3, 5 1, 7, 2, 6. Dividend €150 won by D. Horan. Jackpot now €2,200. Draw in Club each Sunday evening with Free In-house Draw for Spot Prizes. The Annual Primary Schools League Tournament will run each Monday evening with the finals on Monday 5 June - Open to all in 3rd - 6th Classes in our local primary schools. Thanks to all who supported our two functions in aid of Breast Cancer Ireland - over €2,500 was raised.

See www.skerriesharps.ie and our Social media posts for latest Club news and fixture changes.