



# Skerries Parish Bulletin

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## Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

[Ex 19:2-6; Rm 5:6-11; Mt 9:36-10:8]

At our baptism we are both called and sent. Called to be a follower of Jesus and sent to spread the Good News. We share the call to imitate Jesus in his words and deeds. As his followers we share his mission and like in today's gospel we are called to be moved with pity for others especially in their time of need. Jesus chose twelve apostles because he knew he couldn't fulfil his mission of spreading the Good News on his own - he needed help. Just as he empowered the twelve he empowers us to be labourers in the harvest. Probably now more than ever the need is great – the harvest is rich but labourers are getting fewer.

In our prayer this week we might like to dialogue with Jesus about how we might live out our mission concretely in our daily lives. We all need to do our part because today, as in Jesus' time, 'the harvest is great, but the labourers are few.'

Fr. Melvyn

### MASS INTENTIONS/ANNIVERSARIES

- ✦ **Sat 17<sup>th</sup>:** 6pm: Deirdre O'Neill, David & Rita O'Sullivan, Ray McAnally, Carmel O'Reilly, Kathleen Farrell, Ailish & Terry Ward
- ✦ **Sun 18<sup>th</sup>:** 9.30am: Walter Meehan (MM), Jack, Angela, Brendan & Kieran Mulkere (rem)
- ✦ **11am:** Mary Lunny (MM), Stephanie Ryan (MM), Margaret Grimes, John Lally, Gerard Harford (BR), Elizabeth & Patrick Grimes, Dermot & Mary Grimes
- ✦ **Mon 19<sup>th</sup>:** 10am: Mass Card Intentions
- ✦ **Tues 10<sup>th</sup>:** 10am: Marianne Gibney, Baby Sean McDonagh Gaffney
- ✦ **Fri 23<sup>rd</sup>:** 10am: Teresa & Noel Dempsey
- ✦ **Sat 24<sup>th</sup>:** 10am: Nora McGuire, John Sheridan
- ✦ **6pm:** Breda McGloughlin (MM), Leonard McGloughlin, Robert Kelly, Sean Murtagh, Francis & Bridget Farrell, Eamonn Macken, Joe McGarry
- ✦ **Sun 25<sup>th</sup>:** 9.30am: Gerard Thornton
- ✦ **11am :** Eoghan Byrne (1<sup>st</sup> A) & Acknowledgement Mass, Joseph (Joe), Margaret & Jimmy Grimes, Ken Whitaker, Peadar O'Connor, Bridie & Billy Cummins, Paddy Richardson

### FEASTDAYS

17<sup>th</sup> June: The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 20<sup>th</sup> June: The Irish Martyrs, 24<sup>th</sup> June – The Nativity of St John the Baptist



**OUR SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO THE FAMILIES OF RICHARD (DICK) RANKIN, HOLMPATRICK, SKERRIES, JOHN CLINTON, LOUGHBARN, SKERRIES AND ROISIN DONNELLY, BRECAN CLOSE, BALBRIGGAN, WHO DIED RECENTLY. MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.**

**Don't Miss It:** Rally for Life 2023 on 1st July! Join thousands of fellow Catholics and pro-life supporters at the biggest annual pro-life event, now in its 17<sup>th</sup> year. Gather at 1pm at Parnell Square, Dublin. Activities for children and adults. For more info, visit [www.the.lifeinstitute.net](http://www.the.lifeinstitute.net) or call 01 8730465



**Happy Father's Day** to all the Dad's, Fathers, Grandfathers. Hope you have a great day !

## **OPPORTUNITY IN YOUTH MINISTRY LEADERSHIP**

The Diocese of Lancaster Youth Service are looking for a Senior Programme Leader to lead retreats and other programmes in their youth retreat centre, Castlerigg Manor, in the English Lake District. Castlerigg Manor is an innovative project which focuses on leading their volunteers into a closer relationship with God and in working with their volunteers to lead programmes for thousands of young people each year. The post is residential with an excellent salary package. For more information email the director, [director@castleriggmanor.co.uk](mailto:director@castleriggmanor.co.uk) or checkout [castleriggmanor.com](http://castleriggmanor.com) >> meet the team

### **30 years ago in the Parish**

- Fr. Des Hayden was celebrating his last Mass in the Parish before he headed off to pastures new
- Scoil Realt na Mara were celebrating their recent successes at the Dublin Primary School sports in Belfield, where their u-12's won gold medals
- Skerries Town Twinning Association was finalising a plan to bring six young people from Guichen for 3 month's work experience, after which six young people from Skerries will be offered a similar 3 month stint in France
- Congratulations to Skerries Hockey Club member Gavin Farrell on being selected for u-15 Irish Hockey Squad

### **Skerries Tidy Towns Annual Fundraiser**

There will be no door to door collection. Donations on line for a limited period only: [www.donate.ie/fundraiser/skerriestidytowns23](http://www.donate.ie/fundraiser/skerriestidytowns23). Please donate online or to committee member. We need your help to keep up our good work for the community. **TidyTowns** are looking for someone to water the flower planters in Floraville Park over the coming months.

If you are interested in helping in this way please contact Maeve 0879946638 or [maevemcgann@gmail.com](mailto:maevemcgann@gmail.com)

### **Skerries Ladies Bowls Club**

A reminder that final payments for the Anniversary Dinner in the Golf Club should now be made to Mary Attley or Norma Radley. Club Championships are continuing, as well as the League competitions. Good luck to all taking part.

### **SKERRIES HARPS GAA CLUB**

Skerries Harps GAA Club and the wider GAA family lost a true great with the passing of our Club President, John Clinton on 9<sup>th</sup> June. John was a lifelong member of Skerries Harps, as a player, mentor, supporter and held the role of Club President for 30 years. John was a key member of the Harps Senior football team all through the 1950's and '60's and was well respected by all opponents. We extend our deepest condolences to John's family - his sons Martin, Sean, Colin & Paul, his daughter Helena and the wider extended Clinton family. Ar dheis De go raibh a anam dilis.

Juvenile Academy continues every Saturday morning at 10 am – Club Shop open also.

Thanks to all who supported the Under 14 girls team recent fundraiser for Breast Cancer Ireland. Over €2,697 was raised for this very worthy cause. Well done girls.

Zingo for 11 June; 7, 1, 2, 6, 4, 3, 5. Dividend €150 won by Bonnie O'Reilly. Jackpot now €2,800. Draw in Club each Sunday evening with Free In-house Draw for Spot Prizes. Check [www.skerriesharps.ie](http://www.skerriesharps.ie) and our Social media posts for latest Club news and fixture changes.

### **Acknowledgement – Eoghan Byrne**

On the occasion of Eoghan's first anniversary (19<sup>th</sup> June), his parents Eugene and Mary and his siblings Susan & James extend their heartfelt gratitude to everyone who sympathised with them following Eoghan's tragic death. We acknowledge with thanks the presence of so many at his funeral Mass – the many condolences, mass cards and flowers from relatives, neighbours and friends meant so much! Thank you to those who have continued to support us during the year. A special word of thanks to Fr Melvyn, his pastoral care team and Lannon's Funeral Directors. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.