

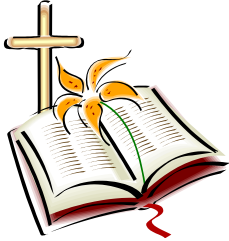


Skerries Parish Bulletin

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Applied Christianity



We are used to having our comfortable, 21st century lives challenged by the Scripture passages at Mass. No greater challenge will be issued than today's. "If anyone wants to save his life, let him take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it". Nothing could be further from the lifestyle and thinking of today.

This weekly piece is described as "A Short Reflection" on what we hear each Sunday from Scripture. How to apply today's message to life in the 21st century here on our small island home is a matter for each one of us personally. There is a wealth of material for reflection in today's passages.

Here are some of the key points:

- "The word of the Lord has meant for me insult and derision all day long...."
- "For your love is better than life...."
- "Worship (God) in a way that is worthy of thinking beings".
- "Heaven preserve you Lord, this must not happen to you".

They're all on the Missalette today and will be read aloud during Mass. Let us truly reflect at length on at least one of them and ask, 'How can my living be aligned with this idea, how can I make it work in my thinking and doing?' Our opening hymn this morning is "Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart." It might be a good starting point.

Skerries Church Choir.

ANNIVERSARY / SPECIAL INTENTION MASSES

- ✦ **Sat 2nd 10am:** Pauline Roche, Agnes & Jack Roche, Frank (Brian) Duggan, Derek Earley
- ✦ **Sat 2nd 6pm:** Alf Coleman (1st A), Florence Cinton (1st A), Joan Smyth, Ronnie Boylan
- ✦ **Sun 3rd 9.30am:** Joe & Nancy Harford, Des Downes, Joseph & Elizabeth Seaver, Bobby, Martha & Mary Aherne
- ✦ **Sun 3rd 11am:** Margaret Keogh, Tom & Vera Noonan, Annie & Larry Roche, Paul Vaughan, Caroline Heyega Fagan, Mairead Donnelly
- ✦ **Mon 4th 10am:** Mass Card Intentions
- ✦ **Tues 5th 10am:** Charles & Maryanne McMorro
- ✦ **Wed 6th 10am:** Hugh (Hughie) Horan
- ✦ **Fri 8th 10am:** Sam & Rena Condrot, Essie Boylan & Harry, Damian & Amy Boylan, Margaret Guinan
- ✦ **Sat 9th 6pm:** Joe Scully, Andy Scully, Tim Counihan

- ✦ **Sun 10th 9.30am:** Evelyn Sheridan
- ✦ **Sun 10th 11am:** Michael O'Rourke, Patrick & Joseph Fitzgerald, Bill Hayes, Christopher Everard, Niall Dungan, Mary Rogan, Ursula Rooney

OUR SYMPATHY

To the families of Gerry Kelly, Golf Links Road and Dolores Ryan, Sherlock Park who died recently. May they Rest in Peace.

FEASTDAYS

4th September: St Mac Nissi,
8th September: the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 9th September: St Ciaran

WE WELCOME



Elliott McGonagle, Seth Wilkinson, Finn Mulcahy and Chloe Scully who were baptised recently into our parish family.

CONGRATULATIONS

to Joseph Morgan and Emma Rogan who were married recently. We wish them every happiness.



LEGION OF MARY PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE



takes place on Sunday 24th September 2023. Pick up points are: St. Patricks Church Skerries at 7.00am: St Maur's Church car park,

Rush at 7.15am.

Contact: Lorraine at 087 6203317 or Mary at 087 6741472.

ACTIVE RETIREMENT CLUB

will start back tomorrow Monday 4th Sept at 1.45pm in the old St Patrick's School (Little Theatre).

Indoor bowls on Tues 5th at 1.30pm in Room 2. All welcome.

30 YEARS AGO IN THE PARISH

- Special Mass was celebrated for those celebrating Gold and Silver Jubilees
- The Junior Choir was welcoming new singers from 5th and 6th classes to sing at the Sunday Family Mass
- Those travelling to Rome with the Parish Group were ready and packed for the trip
- St. Patrick's Jun School was selling a pre-fab for the best offer
- The Active Retirement Group was planning a holiday in Cobh
- Skerries Harps congratulated their Senior team on winning the McArdle Cup
- The Youth Section of the Marian Society was presenting "Teechers"
- Skerries Historical Society resumed with a talk by Frank Matthews on Martello Towers
- Skerries Hockey Club was holding a mixed 7-a-side tournament on Sat 11th

CONGRATULATIONS TO

all our Leaving Certificate students who received offers of Third Level places this week. Hopefully everybody was satisfied and will move on to fulfil their career ambitions. If not, there will be second round offers. Also, there are so many other pathways open to students nowadays, that nobody should feel they have no other choices.

SKERRIES LADIES BOWLS

With the league season drawing to a close, the ladies had a great win in their penultimate match last Wednesday. They took full points from CY of Terenure. Just one final match next Wednesday when they travel to Westmanstown. Monday morning bowls continues at 10.30. There will be a "Pink" morning to round off the summer season on Monday 11th - proceeds to St. Francis Hospice, Raheny.

SKERRIES HARPS GAA CLUB

Football Championship results – Seniors won v Sylvesters, Inters won v Judes and Juniors drew with Na Fianna.

Sat 9th Sept. Senior Ch'ship v All Ireland Club champions Kilmacud-Crokes in Parnell Park, 5.30pm. Game will be streamed live on DUBSTV in Clubhouse if you cannot get there. Inters also play Kilmacud, away at 6 pm in Ch'ship on Sat 9th.

Juvenile fixtures resumed this weekend with sixteen games on Saturday and nine on Sunday. Juvenile Academy resumes Saturday 16th September at 10am for 11 weeks. Registration now open. We are now in Phase 2 of our ongoing development and the work on our All Weather Facility & Skills Wall are visible for all to see. Thanks to support from the Sports Capital Funding, matched by our own fundraising, we are nearly there. - but we have a small shortfall and we are asking for support to cover the balance. We have set up a Go Fund Me page at the link below. All support will be appreciated. <https://gofund.me/11815f6a>. Zingo for 27 August: 4, 2, 1, 3, 7, 6, 5. No winners. Jackpot now €3,900 and Dividend is €550. Check www.skerriesharps.ie and our Social Media posts for latest Club news.

SKERRIES ECO FESTIVAL



takes place this weekend.

There is still time to catch some of the interesting Workshops and Stalls at the Old Schoolhouse beside the

Community Centre today, Sunday. Drop in between 11.00am and 4.30pm.

Check out all the details on the website - sustainableskerries.com/festival.