

# Skerries Parish Bulletin

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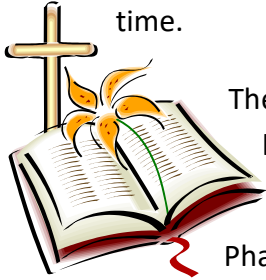
5<sup>th</sup>-12 November, 2023

Malachi 1:14-2: 8-10

1 Thessalonians 2:7-9, 13

Matthew 23:1-12

A temptation to abuse power, as we glean from our readings, has been around for a long time.



The Old Testament prophet Malachi sends a warning to the priests, a powerful group, that they have 'strayed from the way' and that by their example and actions, they are leading others 'to stumble' along that way. Matthew, in the Gospel passage, tells us that the scribes and Pharisees who interpreted and preached the law of Moses, have themselves become corrupted by power and its trappings.

In all aspects of life, those in a position of authority have power. It is surely also the case that each of us, at some point, is in such a position. What we learn here is that power, to be wisely used, must be informed by humility. Malachi's question 'have we not all one Father?' is echoed in the Gospel. Matthew reminds us that we are all brothers; that we should see ourselves not as masters but as the servants of others.

Our challenge is to inform our thinking and our actions; to be able to recognise the abuse of power in ourselves and in others.

## Church Readers

### Anniversary/Special Intention Masses

**Sat. 4<sup>th</sup>: 6 p.m.**, 6pm Sean Ó'Laughtnáin, decd mbrs of the Quinn family, Lily Beggs, George Sweetnam, George McMeel, Gerald (Gerry) Griffin, Jay Kulkarni (rem)

**Sun. 5<sup>th</sup> 9.30am** Anna McDonald, Larry, Dolores & Sean Casey, Richard, Anne & Gerard Keane, Philomena Casey & Mell O'Brien, Andrew Woods & decd mbrs of Woods family, Kieran (Kee) Kelly, Patrick & Thomas Covey

**11am**, Bernadette Marrey(month's mind), Marie Richardson(1<sup>st</sup> anniv.), Tom Murphy, Patrick Russell, Matthew & Margaret Russell, David Ryan

**Mon. 6<sup>th</sup>**: 10am Mass Card Intentions

**Tues. 7<sup>th</sup>**: 10 a.m., Christine O'Brien, Spec. Intention

**Wed. 8<sup>th</sup>**: 10am Maurice McAuley Jnr

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup>**: 10am John Power, Michael & Sheena Flavin

**Sat. 11<sup>th</sup>**: 6pm: Theresa Maher (month's mind), Áine Keogh, Kieran Bowers(BR), Bella & Michael Murphy, May Ryan

**Sun. 12<sup>th</sup>: 9.30 a.m.** Sr. Patricia (Patsy) Corcoran, Kravchenko Yuri Volodymyrovich (RD), Colette Branagan, Kevin & Kay Branagan

**11am** Hilda Simpson (1st anniv), Alicia Fabre (1st anniv), John Costello, Kathleen & Tommy Wherity, Maureen Hughes(rem), Ultan Ryan, George Pratt



**Our Sympathy is offered to** the family of Mary Nugent, Shenick Grove, whose death occurred during the past week.

May she rest in peace.

### Feast Days for the coming week:

4<sup>th</sup> St Charles Borromeo, 5<sup>th</sup> Prisoners' Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> All Saints of Ireland, 7<sup>th</sup> St. Willibrord, 9<sup>th</sup> Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, 10<sup>th</sup> St Leo the Great, 11<sup>th</sup> St Martin of Tours

### Annual Mass of Remembrance



The annual Mass of Remembrance for our

loved ones takes place on this **Monday 6th November at 7.30 pm.** You are

welcome to join us and if you are unable to come along, you may participate via webcam

using the link you will find on the parish website:

[www.stpatricksskerries.ie](http://www.stpatricksskerries.ie)

### St. Patrick's Jun School



Is holding an Open Evening on Thursday next, 9<sup>th</sup> from 6 – 8 p.m..

Parents/Guardians of incoming pupils for September 2024 are warmly

welcome to visit our school. The school is currently enrolling for 2024-2025. Application forms are available on line at [www.stps.ie](http://www.stps.ie), by phone 8490836, or from the school office.

### Congratulations



to the children from 2<sup>nd</sup> class in all our local Primary Schools, who took their first steps in the programme of preparation for their First Holy

Communion last weekend. We look forward to seeing them over the coming months at the Bridge Masses.

### Important dates for 2024

#### First Communion

**St. Patrick's Jun. School:** 1<sup>st</sup> Penance, Tues 27<sup>th</sup> Feb., 7p.m. in the Church. First Communion, Sat. 11<sup>th</sup> May, 11 a.m. in the Church

**Scoil Réalt na Mara:** 1st Penance, Wed. 28<sup>th</sup> Feb., 7 pm. in the Church. First Communion, Sat. 18<sup>th</sup> May, 11 a.m.. in the Church

#### Scoil Moibhi Milverton, Educate Together and

**Holmpatrick:** 1<sup>st</sup> Penance, Wed. 28<sup>th</sup> Feb., 7 p.m., in the Church. First Communion, Sat. 18<sup>th</sup> May, 11 a.m. in the Church.

#### Confirmation

**St. Patrick's Sen. School:** Service of Light, Wed. 6<sup>th</sup> Mar., 7 p.m. in the Church. Confirmation Day: 17<sup>th</sup> Apr. at 11 a.m. in the Church.

**Scoil Réalt na Mara:** Service of Light, Wed. 6<sup>th</sup> Mar., 7 p.m. in the Church. Confirmation Day, Wed. 24<sup>th</sup> Apr., at 11 a.m. in the Church

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### November Altar List for the Dead

It's not too late ! Envelopes are still available throughout the Church and in the Parish Office for those who wish their loved ones to be remembered throughout the coming year. The 10 a.m. Mass on each First Friday is offered for all whose names are on the Altar List.

### Skerries Ladies Bowls

A very wet week for bowling ! Due to flooding, the Wed. match at home against Crumlin was postponed but those who travelled to Greenhills had a good win there. Indoor bowling continues each Wednesday afternoon in the Clubhouse, 2.30 p.m.. All welcome including newbies !

### Skerries Harps GFC

Congratulations to the Minor camogie team on winning the Shield final; Minor boys footballers and Under 14 girls both lost; Under 15 girls won v O'Dwyers and qualified for Championship final.

Sat 4 Nov. Under 21 Hurling championship v Portmarnock, away at 2.30 p.m

Sun. 5 Nov. Senior football league Div.1 v Ballyboden in Skerries at 11 a.m.

Sat 11 Nov. Under 21 Football c'ship v St Peters, in Skerries at 2.30 p.m

Juvenile Academy continues each Saturday morning at 11 a.m with Club Shop open 10 am during Academy for sports equipment and club leisure wear. Tea/Coffee available in club Bar upstairs.

**Club A.G.M.** has been fixed for Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November. Members will be notified officially.

All Weather/Skills Wall and Running track project almost complete. Thanks to all who have made donations towards our funding shortfall to the Club Treasurer or online to our Go Fund Me account - see link at <https://gofund.me/11815f6a>

Zingo for 29 Oct. 1, 2, 3, 7, 4, 6, 5. No winners -

Jackpot now €4,800. Draw in Clubhouse on

Sunday evening with Free draw for Spot prizes. Join online at [www.skerriesharps.ie/zingo](http://www.skerriesharps.ie/zingo)

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