



Skerries Parish Bulletin

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Wisdom 6:12-16, Psalm 62:2-8, Thessalonians 4-13-18, Matthew 25:1-13.



In the first Reading we are shown the benefit of Wisdom. However, it is not always easy to follow the wisdom or good counsel of others. If possible, try to remember that even thinking of wisdom sometimes can bring about understanding, so it is wise to be alert and know that anxiety will quickly leave you.

St Paul in his letter to the Thessalonians demonstrates the wisdom of making sense of death. In times of grief and loss it is perhaps more difficult to see and understand good counsel. This is a time for our faith to assist us through. "We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him".

In the Gospel, the parable of the 10 Bridesmaids, again shows us a great example of wisdom, five who were wise and prepared and five who were foolish who were not prepared.

The Lord has warned us to be prepared as we do not know the day nor the hour when He will call us.

Church Readers

ANNIVERSARY / SPECIAL INTENTION MASSES

- ✦ **Sat.11th:** 10am Michael Lynam
6pm Theresa Maher (Month's Mind)
Áine Keogh (1st anniv.), Kieran Bowers
(birthday and Anniv), Bella & Michael Murphy,
May Ryan, Moira & Imer Schlindwein
- ✦ **Sun. 12th:** 9.30am Sr. Patricia (Patsy) Corcoran,
Kravchenko Yuri Volodymyrovich (rec.decd.),
Colette Branagan, Kevin & Kay Branagan, John,
Mary & PJ Minogue
11am: Hilda Simpson (1st anniv.), Alicia
Fabre(1st anniv.), John Costello,
Kathleen & Tommy Wherity, Maureen Hughes
(rem), Ultan Ryan, George Pratt
- ✦ **Mon. 13th:** 10am Mass Card Intentions
- ✦ **Tues.14th:** 10am Breige Marsden (rec.decd),
Maura Cleary, Mon Skelly, Ann
- ✦ **Wed. 15th:** 10am Gerard & John Robinson,
- ✦ **Sat. 18th:** 10am Mary Browne (rem),
Paul Martin, Michael, Agnes & Colin Griffin
6pm Iny McNally, Maureen Delaney, Vincent
Hughes, John (Jack) Finnegan, Rita Clinton,
Lance Daly
- ✦ **Sun. 19th:** 9.30am Martin & Margaret Burke,
Sadie Garrett, Nicky Foley
11a.m.: Derek (Dykie) Costello (Month's Mind),
Anne & Noelle Lacey (rem), Joe & Colette
May(rem), Joseph May (rem), Dr. John & Mary
B Keane (rem), Michael & Marie Grimes, Mary
Smyth, James & Julie Christie

OUR SYMPATHY



To the families of Mary Petson, Mourne View, Nancy (Anne) Thornton, Balcunnin, Georgina Farrell, St Patrick's Close and Frank Kavanagh, South Strand whose death occurred recently in our Parish. May they rest in Peace.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

The Monthly Collection takes place on Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th of November for the St Vincent De Paul Society. Any contribution, no matter how small, will be truly appreciated.

SHARE APPEAL SUNDAY

Share continues to provide much needed financial support to disadvantaged parishes where alternative funding cannot be secured, supporting parish life and ministry, and the Travelling Community. While the purposes of the Share collection have evolved over the years, it is an essential source of funding in the Archdiocese. Thank you for your response over the years. Please give as generously as you can on this Share Appeal Sunday.



CHRISTMAS MASS CARDS

Christmas Mass Cards are available in the Parish Office. As in previous years proceeds from the sale of the Christmas Mass Cards will go to The Capuchin Homeless Day Centre in Dublin

FEASTDAYS

11th Nov.: St. Martin of Tours;

14th Nov.: St. Laurence O'Toole, Patron of Dublin Diocese.

17th Nov.: St. Elizabeth of Hungary;

18th Nov.: Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss Peter & Paul

Date to Note: The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is prayed on Fridays at 3pm in the Church. All welcome.

Totus Tuus-Scripture Conference – Radio Maria Ireland Saturday next, Nov.18th. Speakers include Fr. John Ryan(Cloyne), Fr. Luke Demasi(Home of the Mother), Fr. John McEaneyey (Waterford), Frances Hogan. You can tune in to Saorview, Channel 210, or download the Radio Maria Ireland app or listen live on 01-4373277

SKERRIES HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Our next presentation will take place on Tues. 14th Nov. in Skerries Bowling Club at 8 pm.. Frank Wherity will present a talk entitled "C Coy. Skerries (IRA), 1st Battalion Fingal Brigade and its leaders, Matthias Bissett and James Murray et al (1919-22) All welcome.

Language Buddies

Are you interested in improving your French by talking with a native French speaker? Skerries Town Twinning has a project which gives you the opportunity to have a weekly video chat with a Language Buddy in Guichen in Brittany. Those already involved say that it is a fun and easy way to learn as well as a good opportunity to get to know another culture. Conversations are a mixture of French and English, so it is not necessary to be fluent in French in order to take part. This project is open to anyone over 18 who wants to practise speaking French and at the same time helping a French person learn English. If you would like to take part send an email (Subject line: Language Buddy) giving a short description of yourself and your interests to skerriestwinning@gmail.com and we will try to match you up with a suitable partner.

Skerries Bowling Club – change of day

Due to the start of Wednesday Winter league matches, indoor bowling now takes place on **Thursday afternoons** from 2.30.. All welcome. A great way to stay fit during the Winter months.

Skerries Theatre Group

presents the **35th Skerries One - Act Drama Festival**



In association with DLI/ADCI.

Adjudicator: Anna Walker.

Venue: The Little Theatre, Skerries.

Dates: Thursday 16th, Friday 17th

and Saturday 18th November 2023. Plays start at 7 p.m. sharp. Each night there will be 3 different plays competing in the Festival. Nightly tickets €20 / €15: Season tickets €45 / €30, available in Greg Reddins, Strand Street, Phone bookings 085-1342999. Don't be disappointed, book early as limited availability!

SKERRIES HARPS GAA CLUB

Senior footballers won their crucial league game v Ballyboden last Sunday 4 -7 to 0 -18. Next up is the final league game v Kilmacud-Crokes who are currently involved in the Leinster Ch'ship.

Under 21 Hurlers lost out to Naomh Mearnog in the Championship.

Sun. 12 Nov. Under 15 boys v Geraldine Morans, home at 11.30 a.m

Juvenile Academy continues each Saturday morning at 10 a.m – weather permitting.

Club Shop open for sports equipment and club leisure wear. Time now to order in for Christmas.

See note on Social media page re special offer from club supplier Masita Ireland.

Fri 17 Nov. Adult Hurlers are holding a Poker Night – Texas Hold 'em – at 9 p.m. Entry €20.

Club Bar open each Wed night for Champions League coverage.

Club A.G.M. has been fixed for Thursday 30th Nov. Members will be notified officially

Thanks to all who have made donations towards All Weather project to the Club Treasurer or online to our Go Fund Me account - see link at <https://gofund.me/11815f6a>. Zingo for 5 Nov. 3, 7, 1, 6, 4, 5, 2. No winners - Jackpot now €4,900. Draw in Clubhouse on Sunday evening with Free draw for Spot prizes. Join online at www.skerriesharps.ie/

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: Olive Bowers would like to thank all those who supported her in the recent loss of her brother Michael Mahon. Your kindness was greatly appreciated. Sincere thanks to all those who expressed condolences, especially Fr Melvyn & Sr Marie. A special thank you to Fr. James Daly for his support and his celebration of the funeral mass, he has asked for everyone in Skerries and sends his good wishes to all.