



# Skerries Parish Bulletin

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## “I AM THE LORD YOUR GOD”

READINGS: Ex 20:1-17, PSALM 18:8-11, 1Cor 1:22-25, John 2:13-25



The first reading invites us to reflect with gratitude on the Ten Commandments for they are a clear statement of what we can do and what we are to avoid. Living out the commandments in our daily lives mirrors a God who is loving, kind and just. What a different place our world would be if leaders and followers tried to live the ten commandments! As we read the gospel, images of Temple are portrayed. Jesus driving out the dealers from the Temple, where they were exploiting the ordinary people and desecrating the sacred, is the first image. We, being temples of God, as Jesus declared himself, is the second image and it invites us to respect our bodies as God’s dwelling place. Our Temple, St Patricks Church Skerries, is a place of worship and welcome for all for decades. During this week let us thank God for the freedom to worship in our temple, our Church, that is lovingly cared for and maintained by generous volunteers.

*Holy Faith Sisters*

### ANNIVERSARY / SPECIAL INTENTION MASSES

- ✦ **Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> 10am:** Ann Farrell (MM), Sheila O’Loughlin
- ✦ **Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> 6pm:** Joan McDonnell (MM), Michael Buckley, Fr. Tony Hannick, Jimmy Coleman & Margaret O’Grady, Eddie Coleman, Mary Plunkett (BR), John Joe Donaghy
- ✦ **Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> 9.30am:** Eughain McLeod, Anthony Broderick, The Broderick & Farrell Families, John & Marion Beggs, Francis (Frank) Scally (RD)
- ✦ **Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> 11am:** Frances Duff (MM), Betty Murphy, Maura McNally, Gerry Foran, Anne Smullen, Ann & Jim O’Connor, Meta & Michael Rice, Jean & Mary Rice
- ✦ **Mon 4<sup>th</sup> 10am:** Mass Card Intentions
- ✦ **Tues 5<sup>th</sup> 10am:** Angela Dixon (BR)
- ✦ **Fri 8<sup>th</sup> 10am:** Eamon Branagan, Joseph Keeling
- ✦ **Sat 9<sup>th</sup> 6pm:** Cyril Delaney, Frank & Francis Ryan, Paddy, Nancy & Tom Hand

- ✦ **Sun 10<sup>th</sup> 9.30am:** Noeline Hess, Annie Leonard, Agnes Josephine Jordan, Esther Kelly
- ✦ **Sun 10<sup>th</sup> 11am:** Jimmy Dillon, Peter Keeley, Anna Hand

### FEASTDAYS

- Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Mar – St. Casimir
- Tues 5<sup>th</sup> Mar – St. Kieran
- Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Mar – St. John of God & St. Senan
- Sat 9<sup>th</sup> Mar – St. Frances of Rome

### THE SEASON OF LENT – EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The blessed sacrament will be exposed in the church on Tuesdays from 3 pm – 5pm.

### EASTER MASS CARDS



Easter Mass Cards are now available in the Parish Office – all proceeds go to support Trocaire’s Lenten Appeal. Also, those who wish to support Trocaire this Lent are welcome to take a Trocaire box available throughout the church. You can return the box to the office.

## CELEBRATION OF FIRST CONFESSION



Congratulations to the girls and boys in 2<sup>nd</sup> class who are preparing to receive 1st Holy Communion this year and who celebrated their 1<sup>st</sup> Penance during the week.

Many thanks to parents/guardians, school principals, class teachers and staffs who helped in the preparation and celebration of this special time in our parish community.

## BRIDGE MASS

The next Bridge Mass will take place next Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March at the usual time of 11am – looking forward to seeing you all again at this Mass.

## CONFIRMATION - SERVICE OF LIGHT



The girls & boys intending to celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation this year – please remember the **Service of Light** will take place in the

church this Wednesday night 6<sup>th</sup> March @ 7pm. It is expected that ALL children will attend/participate in this ceremony as part of their preparation.

## FORTHCOMING REFERENDUMS

Copies of the message from the Irish Bishops regarding the forthcoming referendums are now available throughout the church.

## SKERRIES BOWLS

Well done to all three teams in the Winter League .... in the last games of the season Skerries teams won all matches. Ladies morning continues on Mondays from 10.30.

## HILLS CRICKET CLUB TEA DANCE



is on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 3.30 with Martin Byrne.  
Refreshments served.  
All welcome.

## 30 YEARS AGO IN THE PARISH

The theme for Women's World Day of Prayer was "Go, See & Act" with speaker Rev. Margaret Gilbert, in Holmpatrick Church.

St. Vincent de Paul locally were looking for a buggy, cot and playpen.

RNLI annual Cycle Rally to be held on St. Patrick's Day.

Tidy Towns invited all residents to an open discussion meeting on how to improve our appearance.

Active Retirement were planning a trip to the National Concert Hall.

Holy Faith/de la Salle College pupils were staging "South Pacific" over the coming week.

Local residents were invited to an introductory talk on Earth Education in Ardgillan.

## SKERRIES HARPS GAA CLUB



Sun.3 Mar. Senior football v Thos Davis, home at 10.15;  
Junior football v Shankill, home at 12.15pm.

Minor hurling v N. Fionnbarra, home at 11.00.

Congrats to Ronan Geoghegan on his starring performance for DCU in the Freshers final. Great to see Greg McEaney and Killian McGinnis get a run with the Dubs v Kerry in Croke Park.

Fri 8<sup>th</sup> March – Annual Fashion Show in Clubhouse at 8pm.

Sat 23 Mar. Elvis Spectacular in the Club – tickets only €25 for what is always an amazing show by Ciaran and his band supported by Sweet Sensations.

Contact Pat directly on 087 2505479

Membership Fees for 2024 are now due.

Renew before 31 March to qualify for AGM voting and for All Ireland ticket draw.

Zingo for 25 Feb. 7, 6, 5, 4, 1, 2. 3 Jackpot of €6,400 won by B. Walsh. Draw on Sundays at 6pm.