

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

You could see Jesus in today's gospel as a pessimist. He looks ahead with his disciples and talks about his suffering and death. Maybe they had little idea that this would happen; it was so demanding of them that they forgot later that he said he would rise from the dead.

Somehow Jesus knew what his fate would be – that his commitment to his Father's mission would lead to his death; he also believed that his Father would not abandon him but he would be raised. He was a realist and a Man of faith. He was neither pessimist nor optimist; he was a man of hope.

His call to us is to enter into the fullness of our lives and of our lives together. So he also calls on his followers to serve; that the place of honour might be last at the table; and the last would be first.

We know of so many people who are with Jesus in unnoticed ways. Pope Francis in *Gaudete et Exsultate* writes: *Very often holiness is found in our next-door neighbours, those who, living in our midst, reflect God's presence. We might call them "the middle class of holiness" (Par 4). Answering the call to serve rather than be served is in the ordinary of family and work life, of helping others, of caring for those around us. In this way we are 'for Christ'.*

Donal Neary SJ
Sacred Heart Messenger

We Welcome

Zoe Scuffil,
Jamie Brendan Murphy,
Abigail Grace Simpson,
Joseph Raymond Pascal Loreille,
Cailan Simon-Philip Keegan, Kate Susan Le
Guay, Robyn Mae Scanlan and Lennon Bruce
Hammond who were recently baptised into our
parish family.



Month's Mind Mass

Saturday, 29th. 6pm – Oran Tully.

First Anniversary Mass

Thurs. 27th. 10am - Peter Kelly.

Feastdays

25th St. Finbarr; 26th Sts Cosmas & Damian,
27th St. Vincent de Paul,
29th Sts Michael, Gabriel & Raphael.

Anniversary Masses and Intentions

- ✠ Tues. 25th. William & Joan Ruigrok, Sam & Rena Condrot, James Murtagh, Christy Jenkinson, Jerry & Sheila McCarthy.
- ✠ Thurs. 27th. Olivia (Lee) Mooney.
- ✠ Fri. 28th. George O'Connor.
- ✠ Sat. 29th. 10am. Philip McConnell.
- ✠ Vigil 6pm. Vera & Don Fay, Noel Mansfield, Enda McGuinness, Cecil Richardson.
- ✠ Sunday 30th. 9.30am. Tom Burke.
11am: Dermot Higgins, Johnny Murray,
Eanna O'Kelly, Claire O'Kane, Patrick Leonard.

Our Sympathy



Our sympathy is extended to the families of Peter Douglas and Noeline O'Connor, who died during the week, may they Rest in Peace.

Family Mass

"Family Mass: Children from 3rd class up are invited to participate in the Family Mass on some Sundays at 11am. If your child(ren) would like to take part, please contact Brenda on 087-6189411 for more information."

A Day in Honour of Our Lady

"Calling all Families". Consecrate your families to Our Lady on Saturday, 6th October in Knock Shrine at the 3pm Pilgrimage Mass. Followed by testimony, food and music in the Rest and Care Centre and concludes with a Holy Hour to pray for our Priests, Bishops and their Dioceses. To book your seat on the FREE Bus from outside O'Brien's Cafe, 1 Westmoreland Street, Dublin 2 at 8.15am, (Donations Welcome, Booking Essential) please contact Human Life International in Knock on 094 9375993 or email: mail@humanlife.ie

Skerries Active Retirement Group

Mon 24th Quiz
Tues 25th No bowls as most members on trip to Wexford.
Bus leaves Skerries 9.30, Rush 9.45 and Lusk 10 a.m.

Skerries Tidy Towns

This year's Tidy Towns results will be announced next Monday, 24th September, in The Helix. Tune in to Nationwide on Monday evening to see if Skerries features.

Skerries Town Football Club

Skerries Town Football Club are reaching out to invite former players and members to re-engage with us to help us manage our club development program at Schoolboy/ Girl levels.

For further information please contact: Owen O'Brien at 087 2584398

Skerries Water Safety Week 2019

Dates for 2019

Classes: Monday 29th July - Saturday 3rd August 2019

Testing for newcomers:

Sunday Morning 28th July 2019

If you wish to be added to the mailing list please email skerrieswatersafety@gmail.com with "subscribe" in the subject line.

Skerries Harps GAA & Camogie Club

Congrats to Lyndsey Davey who steered Dublin Ladies to All Ireland win No.2. We hope to see Lyndsey with the Cup in Skerries shortly. Super display by Senior footballers v Na Fianna last Saturday in Parnell Park.

Sunday 23rd : Senior Camogie v Judes, at 10 am. Minor Ch'ship v T. Davis, at 11.15 and Junior Hurling Ch'ship v Whitehall, at 12.30 – all home on Main Pitch.

At Townparks pitch – Minor Ch'ship v T. Davis at 10.30 and Junior Camogie Ch'ship v Crumlin at 12.00. All that plus 8 Juvenile games home/away!!

Sat 29. Senior Ch'ship - Fingallians v Temp/Synge Street in Skerries at 5 pm
Sat. Juvenile Academy from 10 am to 11.30 for boys and girls. Club Shop also open.

Zingo. 1, 3, 2, 7, 5, 6, 4. Jackpot now €1,600.– entry still €2 or 3 for a fiver!

We offer our sympathy to Mick O'Connor and family, on the death of Noeline, RIP.

Visit www.skerriesharps.ie for all Club news.

Balrothery Set Dancing Club presents DRAOICHT with the PLOUGH & THE STARS, Thursday 4th October at 8pm in Sunshine House, Balbriggan, in aid of Make a Wish Ireland Fund. Adm. 410. Tickets at the door or contact Jennie on 0860514765.

30 Years Ago in the Parish

- Newly baptised were Darren Bailey and Gavin Clifford
- The newly formed Saturday Evening Folk Group was recruiting members
- Good wishes were sent to Maeve McNally, from Skerries, who was representing Ireland at the Seoul Olympic Games in the Sailing events
- Tidy Towns results showed that we were runners-up to Malahide in the Co. Dublin area and in 3rd place in the Large Town category. The Committee thanked all those who had worked so hard again this summer
- The Wolf Pack and the Beavers of Skerries 98th were back in action this week

Legion of Mary

Pilgrimage to Knock, 30th September. See notice board for details.

Found

Pearl Drop Earring in Church on Wednesday 19th. Please contact office.

Aspergers Teacher Training Course

Two day course, 22nd & 29th Sept., Bracken Court Hotel, Balbriggan. Open to parents, carers, family members, teachers, SNA's, childcare workers. To reserve your place, please phone 8495670 or email to adhdfingal@gmail.com

Musings @ the Mills - an evening of poetry and music, featuring: Paul Enright, Enda Coyle-Greene and Mary Branley – with special guest Pat Boran, will take place at Skerries Mills on Friday, Sept. 28th at 8p.m.



Items for Bulletin

Please forward items for Bulletin by email to: skerriesbulletin@hotmail.com by 4pm or leave in Parish Office by 12.30pm on Wednesdays.

Acknowledgement

The Tully family would like to thank all those who expressed sympathy and attended Oran's funeral. We thank you for joining in the celebration of Oran's life. It meant a lot to hear how he had touched so many people's lives. We would especially like to thank Fr. Melvyn and Skerries Town FC for their efforts in ensuring it was a fitting celebration of his life. Oran's month's mind will be at 6PM mass on Saturday September 29.