

The Parish of St Dunstan and St Jude

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Sat 23 rd	<i>Our Lady</i>	11.00am	Holy Mass	Margaret Stanley (anni.) Pro Populo
		11.30am-1.00pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
		11.30am-12.30pm 4.45-5.15pm	Confessions Confessions	
		5.30pm	Vigil Mass	Jim Ranford (ints.)
Sun 24 th	THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.15am (<i>St Jude's</i>)	Holy Mass	Deceased of Carney family
		10.30am	Holy Mass	Larkin, Allen, and Burke families
		12noon	Holy Mass	Rory and Georgette O'Neill
		6.30pm	Holy Mass	Joe Koziol (RIP)
Mon 25 th	<i>Feria</i>	9.30am	Holy Mass	Allen, Edwards, Rice and Burke families (RIP)
Tues 26 th	<i>Feria</i>	10.00am (<i>St Jude's</i>)	Holy Mass	Pat Nolan
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	Masterson family
Wed 27 th	<i>Feria</i>	9.30am	Holy Mass	Bernadette McAleen (RIP)
Thurs 28 th	Ss Simon and Jude	10.00am (<i>St Jude's</i>)	Holy Mass <i>followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until Benediction</i>	John Smythe (RIP)
		5.30pm		
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	Michael Reilly (RIP)
Fri 29 th	<i>Feria</i>	9.30am	Holy Mass	Arthur Campbell (RIP)
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	Special Intention
Sat 30 th	<i>Our Lady</i>	11.00am	Holy Mass	James and Laura Pye (Ints.) Pro Populo
		11.30am-1.00pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
		11.30am-12.30pm 4.45-5.15pm	Confessions Confessions	
		5.30pm	Vigil Mass	Andy Grufferty (RIP)
Sun 31 st	SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS	9.15am (<i>St Jude's</i>)	Holy Mass	Michael Dunleavy (RIP)
		10.30am	Holy Mass	Geraldine Lynch (RIP)
		12 noon	Holy Mass	Persecuted Priests
		6.30pm	Holy Mass	Peter Joyce (RIP)

CONSECRATION OF THE ALTAR

Tickets are available today (after the 11am and 5.30pm Saturday and 10.30am and Noon Sunday Masses) for the Consecration of the Altar by Archbishop Longley on Saturday 6th November at 11am. Tickets are of course free, but it will help us organise spacing as well as refreshments with the Archbishop after Mass. As Fr Philip celebrated his Silver Jubilee of ordination to the priesthood in January during restrictions, this occasion could be used to mark this too.....killing two birds with one stone as they say! ***If you would like to come to the Mass, please do get your ticket as soon as possible as tickets will be on a first come first served basis.***

There will be three moments of preparation of the consecration:

- 1) *Wednesday 3rd November after the 9.30am Masses – cleaning of all the church brasses, etc.*
- 2) *Friday 5th November – adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from after the morning Mass until the evening Mass.*
- 3) *Singing group rehearsal after Mass on Friday.*

Parish Census During lockdown, when contact with parishioners was mainly by phone, it became apparent that we didn't have contact details for a number of parishioners, or that contact details were out of date where people had changed phone number or moved house. It has been a few years since we did the last census, and we have a new database in the office so thought it would be a good opportunity to have another census. Stewards will have forms to give out and if **all parishioners** could please take a form and return your completed form to the box in either church. You can also find the census form on the parish website on the home page if you would prefer to complete the form and email it back to us.

All Saints Day. Would you like to bring your children to make something special on All Saints Day next Sunday? They can dress up as their favourite saint and join us in the Conference Room after the 12 noon Mass for some saint activities and refreshments anytime from 1pm until 3pm. For further information, or to express an interest in attending, please contact Nikki Stewart: nikz.stew@gmail.com.

St Jude's Feast Day this Thursday. There will be Mass at St Jude's at 10.00am, followed by adoration until 5.30pm during which we encourage people to come and pray for an increase in vocations. Adoration will conclude with benediction at 5.30pm. There is a list with hour slots for adoration in the porch area, please sign up for an hour if you can. We need to fill every hour so that the Blessed Sacrament can be left out on the altar.

Blessing of the Graves – it is good that we will be able to gather again for this annual focus on, and prayer for the faithful departed. All are at 2pm.

Sunday 7th November – Brandwood End & Quinton
Sunday 14th November – Widney Manor & Lodge Hill
Sunday 21st November – Kings Norton & Robin Hood
Sunday 28th November – Wythall & St Nicolas.

Grave lights are now available to buy from the piety stall.

GUIDANCE FOR MASS

During this time of pandemic, the diocese is recommending continuing with **social distance, face coverings, and to sanitise our hands** as we enter and leave church. Although a number of parishes have lifted the social distancing, it was mentioned last Sunday that consideration was being given to having half our churches social distance and half with more flexible seating. This is something we can consider as Christmas draws closer.

Receiving Holy Communion. There have been increasing occasions where people have walked away with the sacred host without consuming it. So:

- 1) **It is very important** for the respect we ought to give to the most holy sacrament, that if you do receive the holy eucharist in the hand that you consume the host immediately before stepping away from the priest. Please also remove your face covering from your mouth immediately before so that you can receive.
- 2) **It is also respectful** to leave a reasonable space before the person in front of you. **There's no rush, and we won't run out of the Blessed Sacrament**

Macmillan Coffee Morning. A huge and heartfelt THANK YOU to all who supported the Macmillan Coffee Morning last Sunday. You raised a truly wonderful total of £639.06! Proof, yet again, of the enormous generosity of St. Dunstan's and St. Jude's parishioners. We hope, too, that you enjoyed the beverages, cakes and chat!

Cake Sale before and after Mass at 5.30pm on Saturday at St Dunstan's and 9.15am at St Jude's. All money raised will go to APF. APF missionaries go to the most remote places in the world to show the love of Christ to those in need, both spiritually and materially. Anybody who would like to support the work of APF will be able to get a red box on the day.

Traidcraft Charity Christmas cards and crafts. Proceeds from card sales go to CAFOD, Christian Aid and the development charity Traidcraft Exchange. Catalogues and cards will be available to order after 10.30am Mass each Sunday till 12th December, or from 179 Alcester Road South, where there is a display of a few crafts. Phone 0121 444 3568 to check we are in.

Sycamore Course. This is an ideal course for those who are curious about our faith or who have perhaps not had much chance to learn about our faith. This Thursday, at 7:45pm, after the evening Mass.

Children attending non-Catholic schools who wish to be confirmed: Classes for these children start after half term, for further information please contact the Parish Catechist Nuala Bielby on 689 2917.

The next Baptism Preparation Meeting is on Tuesday 2nd November after evening Mass at 7.45pm in St Dunstan's Church. If you would like to come to this meeting, please contact the Parish office and leave your name and phone number.

Prayer Group in the Conference Room every Sunday at 7.30pm. All welcome.

Lectio Divina in the Conference Room after morning Mass every Monday. You are invited to read and reflect on the Gospel of the day and think about God's word and reflect on your encounters with God and everyday life with its joys and challenges. All welcome.

Holy Communion to the sick and housebound. If you, or someone you know, is sick or can't leave the house and would like Holy Communion, would you let one of the priests know, or email or call the presbytery.

We pray for those who are being baptised today: Oscar Boulton at St Dunstan's.

We pray for those who have died recently: Margaret Oakley, May O'Rafferty, Maria Hodgetts, and Helena Gallagher.

Low Traffic Neighbourhoods from Birmingham City Council. Last year, Birmingham City Council introduced temporary measures in parts of Kings Heath and Moseley, most notably placing large planters and bollards to prevent motorised vehicles from using side streets to cut through and avoid main roads. **The latest proposals will very much effect access to and from St Dunstan's.** Do look at the plans. The council is asking for your views, visit www.birminghambeheard.org.uk/economy/kingsheathpfp or fill in a paper form at Kings Heath library. The consultation closes on the 5th November – so not long! There is also information at www.rethinkltn.org which was set up recently by a group of residents who share concerns about the project. Or have a chat with Andy Gudge who is a member of the group (07855 824434).

The Parish Office will be open from 10am to 12.30pm on Mondays and from 9am to 4pm Tuesday to Friday each week.

In order to minimise the number of people in the office and for the safety of those at work, until further notice we ask you to observe the following:

If you need to see the Parish Administrator or one of the Priests: we would ask that you phone or email in advance, so that an appointment can be arranged at a convenient time for both. *You will not be invited in the office unless you have a pre-arranged appointment.*

If you have an enquiry: please phone or email first to see if it can be sorted in this way.

For those wishing to book Mass intentions: please bring a sealed envelope clearly labelled with the intention details (person's name, required date etc) and include the offering inside. This can then be handed in at the office and if requested a Mass card be signed and given. You do not need an appointment for this.

Please note that cards are now £1 each.

S anctus, * Sanctus, Sanctus Dómi-nus De-us
Sába-oth. Ple-ni sunt cæ-li et terra gló-ri-a
tu-a. Ho-sánna in excélsis. Bene-díctus qui ve-nit
in nómi-ne Dómi-ni. Ho-sánna in excé-l-sis.

COMMUNION HYMN

1. O Mother blest, whom God bestows
on sinners and on just,
what joy, what hope thou givest those
who in thy mercy trust.

*Ref: Thou art clement, thou art chaste,
Mary, thou art fair;
of all mothers sweetest, best;
none with thee compare.*

2. O heavenly mother, mistress sweet!
It never yet was told
that suppliant sinner left thy feet
unpitied, unconsoled.

3. O mother pitiful and mild,
cease not to pray for me;
for I do love thee as a child,
and sigh for love of thee.

4. Most powerful mother, we all know
thy Son denies thee nought;
thou askest, wishes it, and lo!
His power thy will hath wrought.

5. O mother blest, for me obtain
ungrateful though I be,
to love that God who first could deign
to show such love for me.

The voluntary that will be played today is Dietrich Buxtehude, Passacaglia in D minor, BuxWV161

COLLECTIONS

	St Dunstan's	St Jude's
Gift Aid	£746.70	£103.00
Non-Gift Aid	£879.70	£ 75.50

Standing Orders are a great way to make regular donations. If you would like a standing order form for either church, please contact the Parish office.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY MASS

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 31:7-9

The Lord says this: Shout with joy for Jacob! Hail the chief of nations! Proclaim! Praise! Shout: 'The Lord has saved his people, the remnant of Israel!' See, I will bring them back from the land of the North and gather them from the far ends of earth; all of them: the blind and the lame, women with child, women in labour: a great company returning here. They had left in tears, I will comfort them as I lead them back; I will guide them to streams of water, by a smooth path where they will not stumble. For I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my first-born son.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**R: What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad.**

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,
it seemed like a dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
on our lips there were songs. **R.**

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels
the Lord worked for them!'
What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad. **R.**

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage
as streams in dry land.
Those who are sowing in tears
will sing when they reap. **R.**

They go out, they go out, full of tears,
carrying seed for the sowing:
they come back, full of song,
carrying their sheaves. **R.**

SECOND READING

Hebrews 5:1-6

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: *You are my son, today I have become your father*, and in another text: *You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
anyone who follows me will have the light of life.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL READING

Mark 10:46-52

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and
courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.