

The Parish of St Dunstan and St Jude

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Sat 6 th	The Transfiguration of the Lord	11.00am	Holy Mass	Marie Gohel (Ints.) Pro Populo
		11.30am-1.00pm	<i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	
		11.30am-12.30pm and 4.45pm-5.15pm	<i>Confessions</i>	
		1.30pm	Wedding Service	Matthew Doxford and Alexandra Ryan
		5.30pm	Vigil Mass	Francis Heverin (RIP)
Sun 7 th	NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.15am (<i>St Jude's</i>)	Holy Mass	Gerea Griffin (RIP)
		10.30am	Holy Mass	Anthony Nolan (RIP)
		12noon	Holy Mass	Thomas and Margaret McCarthy (RIP)
		6.30pm	Holy Mass	Luke Welsh (RIP)
Mon 8 th	<i>St Dominic</i>	9.30am	Holy Mass	Alfie Dunn (RIP)
Tues 9 th	St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross	10.00am (<i>St Jude's</i>)	Holy Mass	Jean Mullins (RIP)
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	Tony Murphy
Wed 10 th	St Lawrence	9.30am	Holy Mass	Tyd Rose
Thurs 11 th	<i>St Clare</i>	7.00pm	Holy Mass	Ann Smith (ints.)
Fri 12 th	<i>Feria</i>	9.30am	Requiem Mass	Marta Lucetti (RIP)
			<i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St Dunstan's after Mass until the evening Mass</i>	
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	Caitlin Hanna (RIP)
Sat 13 th	<i>Blessed William Freeman. Martyr.</i>	11.00am	Holy Mass	Martin Casey (ints.) Pro Populo
		11.30am-1.00pm	<i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by First Saturday Devotions</i>	
		11.30am-12.30pm and 4.45pm-5.15pm	<i>Confessions</i>	
		5.30pm	Vigil Mass	Patrick Cunningham (RIP)
Sun 14 th	THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	9.15am (<i>St Jude's</i>)	Holy Mass	Mary Wooton (ints.)
		10.30am	Holy Mass	Louise Tehan (RIP)
		12 noon	Holy Mass	Margaret Garvey (RIP Anni.)
		6.30pm	Holy Mass	Nora Cooney (RIP Anni.)

Welcome to Mass today. Last Sunday there were some people at Mass visiting Birmingham for the Commonwealth Games. Many of us will have been watching the Games either through attendance or on television. If you are visiting the parish this Sunday as part of your *Games Experience*, or visiting family or friends in the area, please know that you are welcome! For those going away for a summer break do have a restful and relaxing time.

Next Sunday is the transferred Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Lady (*transferred from Monday 15th*).

For the younger parishioners who are altar servers, there will be games and a BBQ from 1.30-3.30pm this afternoon in the Conference Room and Presbytery garden.

Sunday Singing Group meet approximately half an hour before both Sunday morning Masses at St Dunstan's to practise the hymns for the day. It would be wonderful to have some extra faces (and voices) to join us at either Mass.

St Dunstan's church opening this week:

8.30am - 12.30pm Monday to Thursday.

8.30am - 7.30pm on Friday for exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

We pray for those who have died recently: David Donaldson-Ward (Funeral Service 17th August), Stanislav Syladatke, Connie Turley, Cherry Gudge, Gary Healy, Peter Smallbone, Peter Charlton, Gerry Farmer, and Marta Lucceti.

We pray for those who are being baptized today: Grace-Mary Bravington St Dunstan's.

The Next Baptism Preparation Meeting is on Thursday 8th September at 7.45pm in St Dunstan's Church. If you wish to attend, please contact the Parish office and leave your name and phone number. Please note that there is no meeting in August. Baptism meetings will be held on Thursday evenings from now on instead of Tuesdays.

Baptism of children 7 years old and over: Any children who are 7 years old or over wishing to be Baptised must attend a course of instruction. This course will start on Saturday 17th September at 11.45am in the Conference Room. To register for a place, please ring the Parish catechist Nuala Bielby on 0121 689 2917.

For adults contemplating becoming Catholic, this will, again, take the form of a two-stage initiation:

Stage One: *The Sycamore Course* – a basic introduction to the Catholic faith beginning on September 15th at 7.45pm.

Stage Two: This will follow on from *Sycamore* and is intended for those who have decided to become Catholics. This will involve both preparation on Thursday evenings and attendance at Sunday Mass.

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

Lectio Divina in the Conference Room after Monday Mass to reflect on the following Sunday's Gospel.

The Visitation of the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima and the Relics of Saints Jacinta and Francisco, two of the Fatima children who were present at the apparitions of Our Lady in 1917, will take place at St Dunstan's the weekend of the 10th/11th September. There will be a whole programme of prayers and events over that weekend which will be available in the coming weeks.

Food Bank Donations: Thank you to everybody who continues to donate to the foodbank via the basket in St Dunstan's Church. These donations will now be going to the foodbank at Manningford Hall as the SVP support many projects there helping local people.

WINDOW: If you haven't had chance to get a copy of the latest issue of the parish magazine, it is available from the piety stall for £1.

Harvington Hall: The Archdiocese is resuming its annual pilgrimage to Harvington Hall on Sunday 4th September. Previously we co-ordinated lifts for those who are unable to travel themselves and arranged a mini-bus when needed. If you would like a place in a car-share or minibus, or if you are planning on driving to Harvington and are willing to help with lifts, please contact the Parish Office before Sunday 28th August.

March for Life UK Saturday 3rd September in London. Join thousands of others at this family-friendly event in saying '10 Million Too Many!'. Full details can be found at marchforlife.co.uk. There is information on organised coach travel to and from London on posters on the noticeboard in both churches or call Alice for details on 07845706362.

Bishop Challoner Training School are working with Catholic schools in the Birmingham area to help new trainee teachers into this rewarding profession. There are Primary and Secondary School Direct places available. Information Events are on Tuesday 13th September at 10am (online) and Tuesday 22nd September at 5pm (Face to Face). They are also offering School Experience Days to gain an insight into life in a school and they will be on Thursday 22nd September 2022 and Wednesday 5th October. Please visit their website www.bctsa.org or email trainingschool@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk for more information.

COLLECTIONS:

	St Dunstan's	St Jude's
Gift Aid	£ 434.80	£ 60.00
Non-Gift Aid	£ 772.12	£106.45

SOCIAL EVENTS

The Social Committee are planning the next social events including film nights, day trips and re-starting the Christmas raffle and Christmas party. It has been a couple of years since we have been able to have these because of Covid. Can you help with raffle prizes for the Christmas raffle - do you work for a company or own a company who be willing donate a larger prize or a cash prize? All help gratefully received. Please contact Sue on sueallen30@gmail.

Coming soon.....

The next social event will be a film night showing Grease in the Social Centre on Saturday 20th August, doors open at 7pm for a 7.30pm start.



Fancy dress and singing along is optional! The bar will be open to purchase drinks and snacks. Tickets cost £2 each and will be available from after all Masses from this weekend.

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

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.

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

Masses can be requested by dropping off an envelope at the presbytery or given to one of the priests. If you wish to request a particular date, then this is best done by coming to the office at the above times or by writing your telephone number on the envelope.

MASS TODAY

MUSIC AT SOLEMN MASS

Hymns: 466
801
833
970

Today's organ voluntary is: Handel, Minuet from Royal Fireworks

COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, whom, taught by the Holy Spirit, we dare to call our Father, bring, we pray, to perfection in our hearts the spirit of adoption as your sons and daughters, that we may merit to enter into the inheritance which you have promised.

GLORIA

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G Ló-ri-a in excélsis De-o. Et in terra pax homí-ni-bus bonæ vo-luntá-tis. Laudá-mus te. Bene-dí-cimus te. Ado-rá-mus te. Gló-ri-fi-cá-mus te. Grá-ti-as á-gimus tibi propter magnam gló-ri-am tu-am. Dómi-ne De-us, Rex cæ-léstis, De-us Pa-ter omní-pot-ens. Dómi-ne Fi-li-ú-ni-gé-ni-te Je-su Christe. Dómi-ne De-us, Agnus De-i, Fi-li-us Pa-tris. Qui tol-lis peccá-ta mun-di, mi-se-ré-re no-bis. Qui tol-lis peccá-ta mundi, sú-sci-pe de-pre-ca-ti-ó-nem no-stram. Qui sedes ad dè-xte-ram Patris, mi-se-ré-re no-bis. Quóni-am tu so-lus sanctus. Tu so-lus Dómi-nus. Tu so-lus Al-tíssimus, Je-su Christe. Cum Sancto Spí-ri-tu, in gló-ri-a De-i Pa-tris. A-men.

A reading from the book of Wisdom(32:1,12,18-20)

That night had been foretold to our ancestors, so that, once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their trust in, they would joyfully take courage. This was the expectation of your people, the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies; for by the same act with which you took vengeance on our foes you made us glorious by calling us to you. The devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice in secret and this divine pact they struck with one accord: that the saints would share the same blessings and dangers alike; and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of the fathers.

R: Happy the people the Lord has chosen as his own.

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;
for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.
They are happy, whose God is the Lord,
the people he has chosen as his own. **R.**

The Lord looks on those who revere him,
on those who hope in his love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine. **R.**

Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you. **R.**

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews (11:1-2,8-19)

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for, or prove the existence of the realities that at present remain unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were commended.

It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for a country that was the inheritance given to him and his descendants, and that he set out without knowing where he was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country, with Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. They lived there in tents while he looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God.

It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed that he who had made the promise would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from one man, and one who was already as good as dead himself, more descendants than could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on the seashore.

All these died in faith, before receiving any of the things that had been promised, but they saw them in the far distance and welcomed them, recognising that they were only strangers and nomads on earth. People who use such terms about themselves make it quite plain that they are in search of their real homeland. They can hardly have meant the country they came from, since they had the opportunity to go back to it; but in fact they were longing for a better homeland, their heavenly homeland. That is why God is not ashamed to be called their God, since he has founded the city for them.

It was by faith that Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac. He offered to sacrifice his only son even though the promises had been made to him and he had been told: It is through Isaac that your name will be carried on. He was confident that God had the power even to raise the dead; and so, figuratively speaking, he was given back Isaac from the dead.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father,
Lord of heaven and earth,
for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom
to mere children.

Alleluia!

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke (12:32-48)

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There is no need to be afraid, little flock, for it has pleased your Father to give you the kingdom.

'Sell your possessions and give alms. Get yourselves purses that do not wear out, treasure that will not fail you, in heaven where no thief can reach it and no moth destroy it. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

'See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

Peter said, 'Lord, do you mean this parable for us, or for everyone?' The Lord replied, 'What sort of steward, then, is faithful and wise enough for the master to place him over his household to give them their allowance of food at the proper time? Happy that servant if his master's arrival finds him at this employment. I tell you truly, he will place him over everything he owns. But as for the servant who says to himself, "My master is taking his time coming," and sets about beating the menservants and the maids, and eating and drinking and getting drunk, his master will come on a day he does not expect and at an hour he does not know. The master will cut him off and send him to the same fate as the unfaithful.

The servant who knows what his master wants, but has not even started to carry out those wishes, will receive very many strokes of the lash. The one who did not know, but deserves to be beaten for what he has done, will receive fewer strokes. When a man has had a great deal given him, a great deal will be demanded of him; when a man has had a great deal given him on trust, even more will be expected of him.'

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Be pleased, O Lord, to accept the offerings of your Church, for in your mercy you have given them to be offered and by your power you transform them into the mystery of our salvation.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May the communion in your Sacrament that we have consumed, save us, O Lord, and confirm us in the light of your truth.