# The Parish of St Dunstan and St Jude Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

and Peace Sunday

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### **Sunday 15th January 2023**

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Sat 14 <sup>th</sup>	Feria	11.00am	Holy Mass	Joseph Duffy
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		11.30am-1.00pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
		11.30am-12.30pm and 4.45pm-5.15pm	Confessions	
		5.30pm	Vigil Mass	Vonnie McHugh (RIP)
Sun 15 <sup>th</sup>	SECOND SUNDAY IN	<b>9.15am</b> (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	Secundina Legaspi
	ORDINARY TIME Peace Sunday	10.30am	Holy Mass	Joseph Power (RIP Anni.)
		12noon	Holy Mass	James De'Athe (RIP)
		6.30pm	Holy Mass	Katie Carroll (RIP)
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup>	Feria	9.30am	Holy Mass	Father Simon (Ints.)
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup>	St Anthony	<b>10.00am</b> (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	Anthony Morrissy (RIP)
		11.00am	Funeral Service	Patricia Fahey (RIP)
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	Joe and Harriet Montgomery
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup>	Feria	9.30am	Holy Mass	Martin family (Ints.)
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup>	St Wulstan	9.30am (St Alban's)	Holy Mass	Roseanna and Edward Phelan (Wedding Anniversary)
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	James and Michelle Cook
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup>	Feria	9.30am	Holy Mass	Esther Murphy (Ints.)
			Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St Dunstan's	
		7.00pm	after Mass until the e	
		7.00pm	Laum Er Mass	Joseph Magee
Sat 21st	St Agnes	11.00am	Holy Mass	Ena McGurk (Birthday) Pro Populo
		11.30am-1.00pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
		11.30am-12.30pm and 4.45pm-5.15pm	Confessions	
		5.30pm	Vigil Mass	James and Margaret Lawlor
Sun 22 <sup>nd</sup>	THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY	<b>9.15am</b> (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	Josephine Kirk
	TIME	10.30am	Holy Mass	Kathleen Brennan (Birthday)
		12noon	Holy Mass	Kate and Julie McLaughlin (Ints.)
		6.30pm	Holy Mass	Gerard Kelly (RIP)

**Today is Peace Sunday**, a Sunday when we pray for peace in our world. This last year we have seen so much of war in our world. It became much more of a reality for us here with a war in Europe. But in reality, war and conflict is a part of the fallen human condition, a fruit of sin, and can be encountered not just between nations, but in communities, neighbourhoods, families. Recently, in an Angelus address, Pope Francis challenged us all:

'Brothers and sisters, let us look within and ask ourselves: are we peacemakers? In the places where we live, study and work, do we bring tension, words that hurt, chatter that poisons, controversy that divides? Or do we open up the way to peace?

In this country we have an active Catholic peace movement in Pax Christi, which aims at working together to promote peace through parishes, schools and social media. Their website suggests ways we can all become better peacemakers. There are activities for families to do at home, including a peace liturgy for young children. https://paxchristi.org.uk/peace-sunday-2023

Pax Christi needs support to keep going. If you'd like to make a donation, small or large, here is the link: https://tinyurl.com/yxfcw67x Or send a cheque payable to 'Pax Christi' to: Pax Christi, St Joseph's, Watford Way, London NW4 4TY, telephone: 0208 203 4884.

#### A prayer for Peace Sunday:

O God of peace, who is peace itself and whom a spirit of discord cannot grasp, nor a violent mind receive, grant that those who are one in heart may persevere in what is good and that those in conflict may forget evil and so be healed. Amen.

The Octave of prayer for Christian Unity begins this Wednesday. This week of prayer has its origin in a group of American Anglicans who, in 1908, began an octave of prayer for the unity of all Christians with the successor of St Peter. This is why the first day of the octave – January 18<sup>th</sup> – was chosen, for in the old calendar it was the Feast of the Chair of St Peter (now February 22<sup>nd</sup>) which speaks of the ministry of St Peter and his successors as one which gathers the church together in unity, and of his universal ministry of confirming the apostolic faith. We remember in the prayers and Masses of this week our brothers and sisters with whom we share the privilege of baptism, that we may grow together in serving our communities, and in the profession of the one faith under one shepherd.

There will be a second collection this weekend for the Fabric Fund at both churches. The Fabric Fund is for the maintenance of the fabric of our church buildings. It also has the advantage that it is a protected collection which is not touched by the diocese, and will only be used for this purpose.

Children's Liturgy. One of our parishioners – Teresita – has volunteered to steer a children's liturgy at the 10.30am Mass. However, she will not be able to do it alone. She will speak after the Mass today, please have a word with her after Mass if you are willing to help. us beginning some form of children's liturgy again on

**St Jude's Church:** If you have Gift Aid envelope number 2, please could you speak to the priest after Mass today.

St Dunstan's Church Open opening this week: Monday to Thursday, church will be open from 8.30am to 12.30pm, and on Friday, church will open at 8.30am and will close following evening Mass.

**We pray for those who have died recently:** Mary Hill (known as Bernie), Elizabeth and Stuart Hughes, Patricia Fahey, Mary Kerr (*Requiem Mass on Tuesday 31*<sup>st</sup> *January 11am*), Margaret Hayde, and Patrick Lyden.

We pray for those who are being Baptised today: Niall Denton at St Dunstan's Church.

**The Next Baptism Preparation Meeting** is on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2023 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.

**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.

Mass Intentions. Please note that all Masses are now booked until the beginning of June. However, it is quite possible, especially if you wish for a Mass intention sooner and you weren't particularly intending to attend the Mass in person, to have it said in either Oscott College or a parish with fewer Mass intentions. Let the office or the priests know if this is the case.

Also, due to volume of requests for Masses please understand that we haven't got the capacity to do Masses for the same intention close together.

**St Vincent's Centre at Manningford Hall:** Now that this SVP project is up and running a few things to bring to your attention:

- There are collecting baskets for the Centre foodbank at both churches (and at Morrisons, Stirchley; Nationwide, Kings Heath, and coming soon to St Alban's school). All donations gratefully received.
- The centre is doing soup and a roll as a light lunch every Friday in the hall. If you are able to make or otherwise provide some soup, please contact Karen Tehan on 07816 686849.
- Volunteers to help out at the Centre particularly in the area of Family Support are very welcome. There will be a meeting for all current and prospective volunteers at Manningford Hall on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January at 4pm.

**Bishop Challoner Tea Parties:** The next tea party will be on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January from 1:30pm to 3pm in the 6<sup>th</sup> form common room. There will be tea, sandwiches, cake and bingo. Please email: s.mayor@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk to register your interest.

**'Rethink Abortion' Training Day:** On Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February from 10am to 5om (optional Mass at 9am). An interactive event equipping you to talk about abortion in a meaningful and proactive way in your everyday life. Venue: Oscott College, Birmingham, B73 5AA. Lunch and refreshments provided. Booking required. Find out more and book your place at marchforlife.co.uk.

Retrouvaille: A Programme for Couples Struggling in their Marriages: Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille is a programme to support couples who have difficulties in their marriage. It brings a positive focus, new hope and helps nourish and grow your marriage. Tens of thousands of couples headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending and using the tools provided. The programme helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. It helps them through difficult times whether they are disillusioned or in deep misery. There is no group therapy or group work. For confidential information about 'Retrouvaille' or to register for the next programme commencing with a face to face weekend in Welwyn Garden City on 24th to 26th February 2023, or a Virtual weekend on 6th to 9th July 2023, call or text 07887 296983 or 07973 380443 or email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com - or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

Would you like help to share your faith with your baby or toddler? Join in an online Celebrate Parenting for Faith course for 5 weeks starting 8pm on the 23rd February on Thursday evenings, with bitesize sessions lasting around 45 minutes. The goal of the course is to help parents discover that they are perfectly positioned to show their children the reality of a life with God and to empower them to have their own vibrant two-way relationship with Him. Through the easily accessible and relaxed input you will receive help to introduce faith in simple steps. For more information and to register on the course see www.celebratetrust.org/parentingforfaith

#### **COLLECTIONS:**

 St Dunstan's
 St Jude's

 Gift Aid
 £ 580.10
 £ 137.50

 Non-Gift Aid
 £ 877.43
 £ 172.58

Church Flowers £ 381.48

There will be a second collection **this weekend** for the Fabric Fund at both churches.

Standing Orders are a great way to make regular donations and you can still Gift Aid your donation if you are able to. If you would like a standing order form for either church, please contact the Parish office.

#### **MASS TODAY**

#### **HYMNS AT SOLEMN MASS**

Entrance: 865 Offertory 607 Communion: 780 Recessional: 962

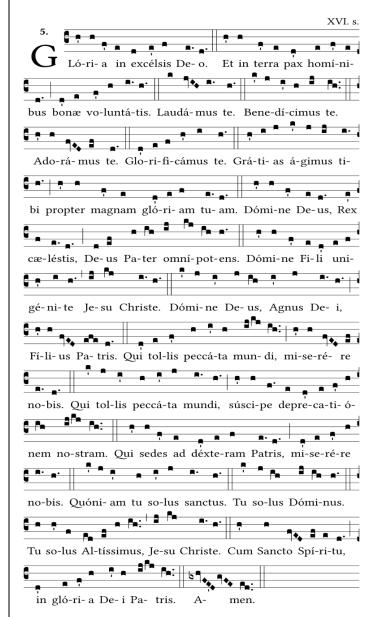
#### **MASS SETTING**

Sanctus: 506 Angus Dei: 509

#### **COLLECT**

Almighty ever-living God, who govern all things, both in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the pleading of your people and bestow your peace on our times.

#### **GLORIA**



#### A reading from the prophet Isaiah

(49:3,5-6)

The Lord said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I shall be glorified'; I was honoured in the eyes of the Lord, my God was my strength. And now the Lord has spoken, he who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, to gather Israel to him: 'It is not enough for you to be my servant, to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back the survivors of Israel; I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.'

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

(Psalm 39)

### R: Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will.

I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry.
He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God. *R*.

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings, but an open ear.
You do not ask for holocaust and victim.
Instead, here I am. *R.* 

In the scroll of the book it stands written that I should do your will.

My God, I delight in your law in the depth of my heart. *R.* 

Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly.
My lips I have not sealed; you know it, O Lord. *R*.

## A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians (1:1-3)

I, Paul, appointed by God to be an apostle, together with brother Sosthenes, send greetings to the church of God in Corinth, to the holy people of Jesus Christ, who are called to take their place among all the saints everywhere who pray to our Lord Jesus Christ; for he is their Lord no less than ours. May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace.

#### Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens!
Alleluia!

### A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John (1:29-34)

Seeing Jesus coming towards him, John said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. This is the one I spoke of when I said: A man is coming after me who ranks before me because he existed before me. I did not know him myself, and yet it was to reveal him to Israel that I came baptising with water.' John also declared, 'I saw the Spirit coming down on him from heaven like a dove and resting on him. I did not know him myself, but he who sent me to baptise with water had said to me, "The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is going to baptise with the Holy Spirit." Yes, I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God.'

#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant us, O Lord, we pray, that we may participate worthily in these mysteries, for whenever the memorial of this sacrifice is celebrated the work of our redemption is accomplished.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Pour on us, O Lord, the Spirit of your love, and in your kindness make those you have nourished by this one heavenly Bread one in mind and heart.