

# The Parish of St Dunstan and St Jude

## Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2021**  
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Sat 10 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Feria</i>	11.00am	Holy Mass followed by first Saturday devotions.	Heather Owens and family Pro Populo
		11.30am-1.00pm	<b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>	
		11.30am-12.30pm 4.45-5.15pm 5.30pm	Confessions Confessions Vigil Mass	Julia and Dermot Murphy
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	9.15am (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	Eamon Ruane Jr and Sandra Ruanne (RIP)
		10.30am	Holy Mass	Glocken and Drench families
		12noon	Holy Mass	Tom and Mary Regan (RIP)
		6.30pm	Holy Mass	Mary Ellen Mulry
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Feria</i>	9.30am	Holy Mass	Margaret Ensor (RIP)
Tues 13 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Feria</i>	10.00am (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	Maureen Power (RIP)
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	Rose and Barney Bradley (RIP)
Wed 14 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Feria</i>	9.30am	Holy Mass	Dorothy Maloney (RIP)
Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup>	<i>St Bonaventure</i>	7.00pm	Holy Mass	Maureen Cody (RIP)
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Our Lady of Mount Carmel</i>	9.30am	Holy Mass	Pye (Special Intentions)
		7.00pm	EF Latin Mass	Bridgid Fitzpatrick
Sat 17 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Bl John Sugar and Bl Robert Grissold. M</i>	11.00am	Holy Mass	Johnny Darcy (RIP) Pro Populo
		11.30am-1.00pm	<b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>	
		11.30am-12.30pm 4.45-5.15pm 5.30pm	Confessions Confessions Vigil Mass	Packie Doherty
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup>	<b>SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	9.15am (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	Deceased members of Carney family
		10.30am	Holy Mass	Joan McElroy (RIP)
		12 noon	Holy Mass	Jack Pritchard (RIP Anni.)
		6.30pm	Holy Mass	Conway family (Ints.)

**The Government announced a general relaxation** in the Covid regulations on July 19<sup>th</sup> in order to free up the economy and to encourage the nation to return to some semblance of normality. However, the virus is still very present in the community - although with the vaccine roll out the signs are very promising that infections are not nearly as serious. We have ensured that attendance at Mass in both our churches is as safe as we can make it. Before there are any changes to how we do things, advice will be taken from the Diocese of how we can maintain that level of safety and confidence, whilst relaxing measures where they are appropriate. None of what we have done would be possible without the dedication and reliability of our stewards.

**Could we be sensitive to others** in the minutes before the beginning of Mass as many people like to use this time for preparation and prayer. Please keep conversation to a minimum before Mass and have a good old chinwag to each other afterwards – with the appropriate socially distancing of course!

**A big thank you to Mary Masterson** for her many years of devoted service on the Piety Stall at St Dunstan's. Her cheerful, friendly advice and guidance was much appreciated by those buying items from the stall. Now Mary has retired, we are looking for volunteers who might like to help with the Piety Stall. If you interested, please contact the Parish office.

**Stewards:** We are very grateful for all that you do to enable the celebration of Holy Mass to run so smoothly. You will have received a notification about a meeting this month by email.

**Please remember in your prayers** Michael Barwick as he prepares for his ordination to the priesthood at Brentwood Cathedral today. It was good to have Michael with us during his diaconal year at Oscott. We pray that his priestly ministry will bear abundant fruit.

**Fundays and Lunches.** In partnership with our friends at Manningford Hall, Druids Heath, the SVP hopes to revive these events for children from struggling families over the summer holidays. Andy Gudge from the SVP will briefly talk about the project at all Masses **this weekend** and there will be a retiring collection as you leave Mass.

**Little Lambs parent and toddlers** is this Friday at 10.15am in the Conference Room.

**Covid restrictions** limit numbers **attending baptisms** to 30. Please note that **funerals and weddings** in church are restricted to the limit of the church generally, so people are welcome to attend Requiem Masses once again as long as social distancing is maintained and maximum numbers are not exceeded. As regards cemeteries and crematoria, these will be determined by each particular place.

**Whilst at Mass.....please take note of the guidance below** to ensure that we make each other as safe as possible. We remember in our prayers those who are not with us due illness or because they are isolating. They are very much part of the prayers and the sacrifice we offer today.

- **Please use hand sanitizer** when arriving and leaving.
- **Wear face coverings in church** unless age (younger children) or medical conditions preclude this. Keep social distance at all times – especially being mindful when moving about for Holy Communion or leaving church.
- **Please follow the one-way system** around church.
- If you will not be receiving holy communion or coming forward for a blessing mention this to a steward and they will find you a seat where you won't block others in.
- Do not leave newsletters you have used in church, but always take them home with you.
- Remove face covering immediately before receiving Holy Communion and replace after receiving the Sacred Host.
- Do not gather in groups outside church with those outside your 'bubble' for conversation without keeping a good distance.

**The Masses on Sunday morning** both at St Jude's and St Dunstan's seem to be the most popular at the moment. There is usually spare capacity for those who wish for an evening Mass on either Saturday or Sunday at St Dunstan's. It's worth reiterating that when looking at Mass provision in this pandemic time, we do so as a whole Parish rather than individual churches. The Mass schedule is constructed now, and will be in the future, so that one priest can cover when either one of the priests is away, or to help cover local parishes when there is a need. I'm sure that we all understand the necessity of this both in these challenging times, and when the number of priests is reduced.

**Holy Communion to the sick and housebound.** Restrictions around us, due to the effectiveness of the vaccination programme are being gently lifted. There are a number of Parishioners receiving the Blessed Sacrament at home again. If you, or someone you know, would now like to resume this if you would let one of the priests know, or email the presbytery.

**Thanks to those who have let us know if they are willing to help with Holy Communion on Sundays when one of the priests isn't available.** At the moment there are usually two priests able to give Holy Communion at the larger Masses. It would, however, be useful to have some ministers of the eucharist we can ask to help when an additional priest isn't available for the distribution of Holy Communion. Please email the Parish office if you are willing to help if needed, with the Mass you usually attend.

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Please could you have a word with Fr Philip or Fr John, or email the Parish office, if you would be willing to help with Holy Communion to the sick and housebound. There are basic safety guidelines for this during the present time to make sure that such things are as safe as possible.

**We pray for those who have died recently:** Vincent Daly, George Duggan (Requiem Mass 20<sup>th</sup> July), Michael Meade (Requiem Mass 21<sup>st</sup> July), Arthur Campbell (Requiem Mass 29<sup>th</sup> July) and Sarah Hagan.

**We pray for those who are being Baptised today:** Jonah Cooper at St Dunstan's.

**St Jude's School** is busy looking for new recruits to join their Nursery crew in September 2021! They have the perfect setting for three and four year olds. The school is in the parish and welcomes all enquiries. Little ones can join the class every morning for three hours in term time. Contact school on 0121 464 5069 for more information.

**St Alban's School** are looking to recruit 2 lunchtime play coordinators for a September start. The role is for 10 hours per week, term time only. Please contact Mrs Reeves (n.reeves@stalbanrc.bham.sch.uk) for more details or for an application form.

**Walsingham Pilgrimage Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> - Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2021.** £170 for a standard room with shared bathroom. £200 for an en-suite room. The cost includes transport and accommodation with breakfast and dinner. A non-refundable deposit of £20 is required to secure your place and the remaining balance must be paid in full by **Friday August 20<sup>th</sup>**. Payments can be made by cash or cheque (please make cheques payable to 'St Dunstan's Church'). Payments in an envelope marked 'Walsingham' with your name, address and contact number. Please let Isabel O'Connell know if you have any special requirements e.g. diet or mobility. The pilgrimage was originally organised in 2020 but was postponed as a result of the COVID pandemic. As a result, all of the places have been allocated however it is possible that a small number of rooms may become available. If you would like to be placed on a waiting list, contact Isabel O'Connell on 07758004306.

**Situated in the beautiful surroundings of rural Warwickshire, St Joseph's Care Home offers a range of personalised services** including residential care, specialised dementia care and short-term respite care in a friendly welcoming environment. With a dedicated and compassionate staff team who are passionate about making residents safe and happy in an environment that is just how home feels. If you or someone you know might benefit from the care offered and would be interested in more information or to book a virtual tour then please quote SJ1 and contact Care Home Manager Shelley Perryman on 01675 434559, email shelleyperryman@fatherhudsons.org.uk or visit our website at [www.stjosephscarehome.co.uk](http://www.stjosephscarehome.co.uk)

### **Are you or anyone you know living with dementia?**

The Birmingham Irish Association run a weekly group in St Dunstan's Conference Room so people with Dementia meet other people with Dementia for socialisation and fun activities. If you or someone you know may be interested in receiving support please contact: Ruth Geoghegan, [ruth@birish.org.uk](mailto:ruth@birish.org.uk) or 07495711704

**WINDOW**, the Parish magazine, will be on sale next weekend after all Masses. Still only £1. Lots of interesting items written by parishioners.

### **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.

### **COLLECTIONS**

	<b>St Dunstan's</b>	<b>St Jude's</b>
<b>Gift Aid</b>	£674.99	£ 77.00
<b>Non-Gift Aid</b>	£732.67	£106.05

*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.*

**The Parish Office** will be open from 9.00am until 5.00pm on Wednesday and 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 re-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.

# READINGS FOR SUNDAY MASS

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## FIRST READING

*Amos 7:12-15*

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer;' get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets,' Amos replied to Amaziah 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."'

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**R: Let us see, O Lord, your mercy  
and give us your saving help.**

I will hear what the Lord God has to say,  
a voice that speaks of peace,  
peace for his people.

His help is near for those who fear him  
and his glory will dwell in our land. **R.**

Mercy and faithfulness have met;  
justice and peace have embraced.  
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth  
and justice look down from heaven. **R.**

The Lord will make us prosper  
and our earth shall yield its fruit.  
Justice shall march before him  
and peace shall follow his steps. **R.**

## SECOND READING

*Corinthians 12:7-10*

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ. Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determining that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved, in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight. He has let us know the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning to act upon when the times had run their course to the end: that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head, everything in the heavens and everything on earth. And it is in him that we were claimed as God's own, chosen from the beginning, under the predetermined plan of the one who guides all things as he decides by his own will; chosen to be, for his greater glory, the people who

would put their hopes in Christ before he came. Now you too, in him, have heard the message of the truth and the good news of your salvation, and have believed it; and you too have been stamped with the seal of the Holy Spirit of the Promise, the pledge of our inheritance which brings freedom for those whom God has taken for his own, to make his glory praised.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life;  
you have the message of eternal life.

**Alleluia!**

## GOSPEL READING

*Mark 6:7-13*

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals but, he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.