

**St Dunstan's Church** Kingsfield Road, Kings Heath, B14 7JN



**St Jude's Church** St Jude's Close Maypole, B14 5PE



# The Parishes of St Dunstan and St Jude

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# Sunday 23rd March 2025 - Third Sunday of Lent

Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	11.00am	Holy Mass	Kevin McManus
Lent Feria	4.00pm	Vigil Mass	For the People of the Parish
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	10.00am (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	Sheila McGovern (RIP)
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT	11.30am	Holy Mass	Eileen Dixon
	5.30pm	Holy Mass	Des Sheridan (RIP)
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>	9.10am	Morning Prayer	
Lent Feria	9:30am	Holy Mass	Des O'Leary (RIP)
	7.30pm (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	Members of Marinoni and Cormack families
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am (St Jude's)	Holy Mass followed by	Bernard Tehan (RIP)
Solemnity of the		Stations of the Cross	
Annunciation of the Lord	6.00pm	Vigil and Reception for	Sarah Doherty (RIP)
	7.00pm (St Jude's)	Mass of Confirmation	John Robinson (RIP)
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	9.10am	Morning Prayer	
Lent Feria	9.30am	Holy Mass	Judith Allan (Ints.)
	11.30am	Requiem Mass	Sarah Doherty (RIP)
	7:00pm	Holy Mass	Lawrence Wilkinson (RIP)
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup>	6.45am	Holy Mass	Martin O'Connor
Lent Feria	9:30am (St Alban's)	Holy Mass	Fr Toby (Ints.)
	11.30am	Holy Mass	Freya and Carter Nobab and Emma Rowan
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Holy Mass	Peggy Lawlor
Lent Feria	6.15pm	Stations of the Cross	
		No Evening Mass	
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Holy Mass	Mary Fagan
Lent Feria	4.00pm	Vigil Mass	Louise Tehan (RIP)
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	Joel Correia (Ints.)
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT	11.30am	Holy Mass	Allen, Larkin and Burk families
	5.30pm	Holy Mass	For the People of the Parish
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#### PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Office: The Parish Office is located at St Dunstan's Presbytery and is open for general enquiries between 10am and 12.30pm. The office can also be contacted by calling 0121 444 1386, or by emailing stdunstan.bham@rcaob.org.uk, and we will get back to you during office hours.

Parish Website: www.stdunstanandstjude.co.uk

Parish Facebook: St Dunstan and St Jude's Parish X (Twitter): stdunstanandstjude

**Live Stream:** Please go to the Parish website to view

the livestream at St Dunstan's and St Jude's.

### TIMES OF CONFESSION

**St Dunstan's:** Fridays 6.15pm – 6.45pm.

Saturdays 11.45am – 12.30pm. Saturdays 3.30pm – 3.50pm.

St Jude's: Sundays 9.30am – 9.50am.

If you are unable to come during these times, then please send an email to arrange an appointment with one of the priests.

## **TIMES OF ADORATION**

St Dunstan's: All day Fridays 10am – 6.30pm and

Saturdays 11.30am – 12.30pm.

First Friday of the month: 10am Friday – 10.30am

Saturday.

## THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

We pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently: Mary Glennon (Requiem Mass at St Dunstan's on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April at 11.00am), Eddie McDermot, Michael Ledridge, Larry Healy, Fr Dominic Innamoratie, Tom Bowler, and Sarah Doherty.

We pray also for those whose anniversaries occur this week:

22<sup>nd</sup> Bridie McAdam 2023

24th Varghese Panthalloor: Alice Marum 2024

26<sup>th</sup> Des Sheridan 2019 27<sup>th</sup> Johanna Moore1960

28<sup>th</sup> Thomas McLoughlin: Seamus Donnelly 2003

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

#### **FINANCES**

Collections last weekend:

 St Dunstan's
 St Jude's

 Gift Aid:
 £397.00
 £ 77.00

 Non-Gift Aid:
 £495.40
 £132.60

**Missionary Society** 

 of St Paul:
 £714.05
 £149.28

 CAFOD
 £763.31
 £119.40

**Contactless:** £ 47.50 **Online:** £ 30.00



You can donate to the Church (with or without Gift Aid) using this QR Code. Do this by scanning this code with the camera of your phone.

Second collection this weekend for the Fabric Fund.

There will be a **cake sale next weekend** to raise funds for **Alton Castle Summer Camp**.

#### THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

#### Please pray for the sick of our Parishes:

Vincent Byrne, Carl McGovern, Mary McFarland, Danny Hegarty, Hugh Doherty, Tony Green, Mary Wootton, Michael Masterson, Mairead Murray, Nuala Bielby, Noreen Winhall, Paul Holleran, Mike Regan, Mick Farmer, Una Monahan, Cath Soubhi, and John Gillen.

## <u>SAFEGUARDING</u>

The Parishes of St Dunstan and St Jude's operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Annette McGrath and Judith Allan. They can be contacted at: sg.stdunstan.bham@rcaob.org.uk

Alternatively, the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

Welcome to Mass on this Third Sunday of Lent.

A Letter of Appreciation from Missionary Society of St Paul: Thank you for your kindness and warm reception of Fr. Emmanuel Ogunnaike, MSP, and the generous contribution and support from your beloved parishioners of St Dunstan and St Jude, Birmingham, during the MSP Mission Appeal that was carried out on 15th and 16th March, 2025. We truly appreciate your commitment to training MSP seminarians and sending MSP priests to spread the love of Christ to rural and urban communities.

With your prayers and support, over 300 MSP priests baptise thousands of children and adults annually, feed hungry children and women, and care for orphans and the elderly. They also educate young people, build schools, and spread the love of Christ in rural and urban communities across the world.

We could not have accomplished all of this without your commitment and collaboration. Thank you for actively participating in changing people's lives. We express our gratitude to you for promoting the works of MSP in your parish community, and during Masses. Your parishioners have been generous with their prayers, donations, and kindness. Please convey our immense thanks to them. As Mother Teresa aptly said, 'Together we can do something beautiful for God.' We pledge to continue offering masses and prayers for you and your parishioners. May God bless, replenish, and reward all of you abundantly, and may He grant you the fulfilment of your good heart's desires. Amen.

Congratulations and prayerful good wishes to Ryan Thomson, who was baptised, confirmed and made his first Holy Communion at St Dunstan's last week.

We welcome into the family of our parish Suzanna and Sarah Moss who were baptized at St Dunstan's this week.

Please keep in your prayers the children from St Jude's School, who will be Confirmed on Tuesday by Bishop David Evans.

Please keep in your prayers the children in our three primary schools, who celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time this week.

**"24 Hours for the Lord":** There will be adoration this coming Friday from 10am until 7pm and also adoration on Saturday after the 11.00am Mass until shortly before the 4pm Mass. There will be opportunity for confessions on Saturday from 3pm - 3.50pm. On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April, there will be the usual First Friday 24 adoration.

**Life Teen Summer Camp at Alton Castle!** To help with the costs of summer camp, there will be a cake sale on **next weekend** organised by the people going on camp. Please do support this if you can.

**Parish Tote:** The numbers drawn this week were 08, 11, 14 and 18. There was one winner of £100.

#### **LENT**

- There are opportunities for Stations of the Cross (Tuesdays after Mass at St Jude's, and Fridays at 6.15pm at St Dunstan's), as well as frequent celebrations of Mass.
- There is the Early Bird Mass on Thursday mornings at 6.45am with tea/coffee and toast available in the Conference Room afterwards once again.
- Mondays at 7.30pm, evening Mass at St Jude's.
- Lunches which are on Thursdays after morning Mass. The soup lunches will be raising money for CAFOD. We are looking for volunteers to make/bring soup and invite you all to come and join us for a simple lunch. Please email the parish with the word SOUP in the subject box, if you are able to make soup. The dates are: 27<sup>th</sup> March, 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 10<sup>th</sup> April,17<sup>th</sup> April. We pray that we may allow our hearts to be touched at Lent by the cry of our sisters and brothers living in poverty. Amen.

For personal devotion, you might like to take the Walk With Me booklet available at the back of church that will be an invaluable daily guide through this sacred season. Also, we are so fortunate that St Dunstan's church is open each day for private prayer and visits to the Blessed Sacrament. Do make good use of these open doors, especially during this season of Lent.

Parish Lenten Alms Project. The money that you are saving through your various Lenten practices can be given in at a collection at the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday night. Fr John is proposing that this money will go to the Parish of Fr Herman Kihuha in Murang'a Diocese, Kenya. He spent some time with Fr Herman last summer. His parish has many needs.

**Our 'Scripture Seeker'** gatherings continue with Fr Toby in the St Dunstan's Conference Room at 5.45pm:

## Wednesday 2nd April

Preludes to the Passion: Abraham and Isaac & Moses and The Exodus.

#### Wednesday 30th April

Mission in the Early Church: Learning from the Acts of the Apostles.

New Stations of the Cross booklets with the St Dunstan's stations and reflections by Deacon Martin are available from this weekend at the piety stalls of both churches. Each one includes a link to a recorded copy of the Stations for those who may struggle to read the texts. They are £3 each and all proceeds go to the parish and the SVP.

Music for Holy Week and Easter at St Dunstan's: As in previous years we are hoping to gather a group of singers to enrich our Holy Week liturgies. All ages and abilities are welcome. We meet on the Fridays of Lent after the 7:00pm Mass.

Parish Film Club Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April at 5pm: After the success of Babette's Feast, the next film will be the 1933 adaptation of Little Women, based on the novel by Louisa May Alcott and starring Katharine Hepburn, Joan Bennett, Paul Lukas, Frances Dee and Jean Parker. All are welcome! Ticket price will be £4 including pizza. Tickets are available after Sunday Mass at St Dunstan's and St Jude's, and from the Parish Office.

**Legion of Mary:** The adult Legion of Mary continue to meet on Monday evenings at 6.15pm in St Jude's church and at 11.15am on Wednesdays in St Dunstan's Conference Room. If you would like the Legion of Mary to bring the statue of Our Lady to your home to help with the praying of the Rosary, please contact Michael O'Sullivan on 07769 343899.

The **Junior Legion of Mary** will now start at St Dunstan's, meeting on Tuesday evenings at 6pm in the Conference Room – starting Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April.

**Novena Mass, Monday mornings at 9.30am.** If you would like to place a prayer of petition or thanksgiving in the box besides the picture of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, they will be prayed for and/or read out at our weekly Novena Mass.

**Lectio Divina:** 10.15am on Mondays in the Conference Room. Lectio Divina is a Christian practice of reading the Bible, meditating, and praying. It's a contemplative way of reading scripture that's meant to help people deepen their relationship with God.

**St Alban's Stay and Play**: Tuesday mornings 9.05am to 10.30am. This Tuesday, there will be a Spring celebration so why not go along and join in the fun!

**Journey in Faith** this week, is on **Monday** at 7.45pm in the Presbytery.

**Little Lambs for Children 4 and Under:** A chance for a coffee and chat with other parents, grandparents and carers whilst the children play. Come and join us in the Conference Room from 10.15am to 12.15pm on Friday.

Thank you to everybody who has signed up for Gift Aid. As we are approaching a new tax year, if you would like to sign up for Gift Aid, we can help you with this. Please write your name, address, and either email address or contact number on the sheet in church and indicate whether you would prefer to have a box of envelopes or donate by Standing Order.

If you are a Gift Aider and donate by Standing Order and would like to continue to Gift Aid your second collection donations, please use the contactless machine in St Dunstan's Church, or use the QR code on the newsletter.

Our Lady of Lourdes Heritage Group (Yardley Wood) has spaces on the trip they are organising to Shrewsbury where the door of Mercy is open at the Cathedral on Tuesday April 1<sup>st</sup> 2025. The cost is £27.50. If you would like to join us or for more details, please contact Aléxe Parker on 07838 732830.

## **SOCIAL EVENTS**

We have an exciting six months ahead with Parish events. We hope you will be able to join in the fun.

**Saturday 26th April - Children's Easter Egg Hunt** after 11.00am Mass. Hot cross buns, tea and coffee. Tickets £2 per head.

**Saturday 17th May - Eurovision Pizza Party.** Tickets £10 per head to include Pizza.

Monday 5th May - Bank Holiday Monday Family Fun Day. 11pm - 4pm. BBQ and Children's Talent show.

**Saturday 21st June – Wicked Film Night** from 5.30pm in the Social Centre. £2 per person.

**Saturday 12th July - Parish BBQ.** In the Presbytery Garden following the 11.00am Mass - £10 adult £5 Child.

Monday 25th August Bank Holiday Monday - Charity Car Boot Sale and Tabletop sale. 10am to 4pm.

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December Parish Christmas Party at Kings Heath Cricket Club.

WeBelieve, 25th-28th July 2025, a festival of Catholic Life celebrating the Jubilee Year of Hope, with parishes and families in mind. Four days of music, keynotes, conversation and worship, in the beautiful surroundings of St Mary's College, Oscott. Featuring Dr Gianna Emanuela Molla, Fr Paul Murray, Mgr Michael Nazir-Ali, AnMari, Fr Toby Lees and many more. Pilgrim-attendees can choose to come for the whole weekend (camping, staying locally or coming from home) at an adult Early Bird rate of £70, or for a day for £40. Early Bird Tickets available now at www.webelievefestival.com

St Paul's School for Girls, Vernon Rd, Edgbaston, Birmingham B16 9SL, require the following staff for September 2025, further details can be found on their website: www.stpaulgl.bham.sch.uk

<u>Business and/or Economics Teacher</u>, Full Time/Part Time Permanent, Application deadline: 03<sup>rd</sup> April 2025 at noon, Interview date: 8<sup>th</sup> April 2025

<u>Computer Science Teacher</u>, Full Time/Part Time Permanent, Application deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 at noon, Interview date: 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2025

<u>Social Sciences Teacher,</u> Full Time/Part Time Permanent, A TLR may be considered for the relevant experience. Application deadline: 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025 at noon, Interview date: 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2025

**RE Maternity Cover Teacher**, to cover for maternity leave from September 2025.