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**The Parishes of
St Dunstan and St Jude**



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**Sunday 26th November
Solemnity of Christ the King**

Sat 25 th	<i>Our Lady on Saturday</i>	11.00am	Holy Mass	Malone Family	
		<i>11.30am-12.30pm</i>	<i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>		
		<i>11.30am-12.30pm and 4.45pm-5.15pm Confessions at St Dunstan's 3.30pm Confessions at St Jude's</i>			
		4.00pm (St Jude's)	Vigil Mass	People of the Parish	
		5.30pm	Vigil Mass	Peter McCaul (RIP)	
Sun 26 th	SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING <i>National Youth Sunday</i>	9.15am (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	Violet and John Carney	
		10.30am	Holy Mass with Children's Liturgy	Tom Leydon (RIP)	
		12noon	Holy Mass	Hughie McCarron (RIP)	
		6.30pm	Holy Mass	Margaret Keane (RIP)	
Mon 27 th	<i>Feria</i>	9.30am	Holy Mass followed by the Rosary	Kevin McCaughey (RIP)	
Tues 28 th	<i>Feria</i>	9.30am (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	Ray Bielby (RIP)	
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	Frank McLoughlin (RIP)	
Wed 29 th	<i>Feria</i>	9.30am	Holy Mass	Maureen Mone (RIP)	
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	Jacqui Conroy (RIP)	
Thurs 30 th	St Andrew	9.30am (St Alban's)	Holy Mass	Patricia Higgins	
		11.00am	Holy Mass	Kate Roache (RIP)	
Fri 1 st Dec	St Edmund Campion	9.30am followed by adoration until evening Mass	Holy Mass	Martin and Elizabeth Brown (RIP)	
		6.15pm – 6.45pm 7.00pm	<i>Confessions</i> Holy Mass	John McLoughlin (RIP)	

Mass Intentions for next weekend: St Dunstan's: Saturday 11.00am, Anil Thomas (Birthday) and Hawthorne Rebeiro, 5.30pm Ross and Lee families, Sunday 10.30am Sally Conway, 12 noon Mary and Anthony Hogan (RIP), 6.30pm Mary Wootan (Ints.).

St Jude's: Saturday 4pm People of the Parish, Sunday 9.15am Johanna and Patrick Browne (RIP).

Welcome to Mass, and a special welcome to anyone visiting the parish today. Today is National Youth Sunday which is a day to recognise and celebrate young people in our local church communities, whether that be through school, at home, or of course in church. At the 6.30pm Mass today, youth group will be joining Bishop Challoner to celebrate by assisting with the liturgy and music, followed by games in the Conference Room until 8pm. All young people are welcome to attend. There will be an appeal from the Kenelm Youth Trust.

In this month of November, we remember especially those we have known and loved but are now separated by death. The names of these are placed in the holy souls' prayer box that lies before the altar. We also remember those who mourn, that they may know in their hearts the light and hope of Easter. An important part of our November devotions is the blessing of the graves. The last blessing of graves is today, at 2pm, at Wythall, Robin Hood and St Nicholas.

Holy Communion under both kinds: From the beginning of Advent 2023, Holy Communion under both kinds will be available at the morning weekday Masses in St Dunstan's (including Saturday mornings, but not including school Masses). In the General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM), paragraph 281, states that "Holy Communion has a fuller form as a sign when it takes place under both kinds. For in this form the sign of the Eucharistic banquet is more clearly evident...." However, the GIRM also states (paragraph 282) that "the Catholic faith teaches that Christ, whole and entire, and the true Sacrament, is received even only under one species."

Holy Communion under both kinds will be available at the above Masses but it is not obligatory to receive from the chalice as well as receiving the sacred host. Holy Communion by intinction - where the sacred Host is dipped in the Precious Blood in the chalice - will not be available at St Dunstan's and St Jude's.

Once more extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion have been recruited, Holy Communion under both kinds will be available at Masses which fulfil the Sunday obligation as well.

Next weekend, the beginning of Advent, also marks the beginning of the Church's year. In the coming year many of the Sunday Gospel readings will be taken from St Mark. On the first two Tuesdays of Advent, **5th and 12th December**, Deacon Martin will be delivering sessions introducing St Mark's Gospel in the Conference Room at 7.45pm (after Mass). The hope is to provide context and insight into who Mark was and why he was writing his Gospel, so that we can approach and understand the Gospels of the coming year in a deeper way.

St Jude's Church: The work to the north-light window has been completed. Tuesday morning Mass will take place in church.

If you would like the anniversary of anybody who has passed away to be remembered in our weekly bulletin, please write their name and year of death in our new diary which has a page for every date in the year. There is a diary in both churches and can be found on the table opposite the piety stall in St Dunstan's church and in the porch area at St Jude's Church.

If you, or somebody you know, are sick and would like the name to go in our weekly bulletin so parishioners can pray for them, please contact the Parish office between 10am and 12.30pm, Monday to Friday.

SVP: Next weekend (2nd/3rd December), there will be an appeal and retiring collection for the SVP. The money collected will fund Christmas hampers for struggling families in Kings Heath and Druids Heath.

We pray for those who have died recently: Anne Philomena Read, Kevin Lenehan (*Requiem Mass at 11am on Tuesday 5th December at St Dunstan's Church*), and **Sybil Fraser** (*Requiem Mass at 10am on Tuesday 19th December at St Dunstan's Church*).

You are warmly invited to Fr John's induction as our Parish Priest of St Dunstan's and St Jude's on Friday at the 7pm Mass. A social and refreshments will follow. To give us an idea of numbers for catering, free tickets are available this weekend.

Fr Philip's Induction next Sunday (3rd December). We have booked the coach to leave St Dunstan's Church at 4.15pm which will arrive at St John the Evangelist Church for 5.30pm. The coach will then leave at 9pm to return to St Dunstan's for around 10pm. Seats will cost £10 per person. There are a few seats left, so if you would like a seat on the coach, please place your money inside an envelope, write your name and Fr Philip's induction on the front, and hand it in at the office as soon as possible. Please note that Fr Philip's induction is in the form of vespers and not Holy Mass.

Prizes needed for this year's Christmas Grand Prize Draw: Do you have your own company or know somebody who does, and would be willing to donate a star prize? Thank you in anticipation.

Legion of Mary meet on Saturday mornings at St Dunstan's at 9.15am and Monday evenings at St Jude's at 6pm. If you would like to be involved, please come along.

Baptisms: Parents who wish to have their children Baptised should leave their name and telephone number at the Parish office and Fr John will get in touch.

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.

Journey of Faith Tuesday at 8.45am in St Jude's School. If you would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, please do come and join us.

Living and Praying the Divine Will in the Conference Room on Wednesday at 12 pm.

Little Lambs: 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.

HCPT Group 712 is our local youth service group which supports the disabled and disadvantaged children's groups with the HCPT pilgrimage to Lourdes each Easter. The group will travel to France on Easter Sunday 31st March, returning on Saturday 6th April. Throughout the week participants will support children's groups from the Midlands by marshalling processions, providing music and games for the children, and assisting experienced group helpers in caring for and entertaining the children who are the focus of the pilgrimage. Young people aged 16 and above who would be interested in joining the group for Easter 2024 should email Deacon Tim from Our Lady of Lourdes, Yardley Wood: group712@hcpt.org.uk. There is help with fundraising and bursary grants to support you in raising the fare of £645. See www.hcpt.org.uk for further information about the pilgrimage.

Window, the Parish magazine. Do you have any interesting articles or pictures for Window? Deadline is **today**, please send to robertwilcher@btinternet.com or 179 Alcester Road South or drop in at the presbytery marked WINDOW.

Jam is Back: Ewa Van Lierop's delicious jams, marmalades and chutneys will be on sale at St Dunstan's after the 10:30am and 12 noon Masses on Sunday 10th December.

Calling all Catholic men, women and children to a Rosary Rally in the Bull Ring, at 11:45am, by the bull on Saturday 2nd December which is the first weekend of Advent. Please join us as we pray with our Blessed Mother for the world.

Heavenly Embroidery, by Gillian Grute: In the book, the vestments at St Dunstan's are discussed in 'Legacy: Documented Vestments' with two full colour illustrations of the St Thomas More and St John Fisher embroideries. The book costs £14.00 and if you would like to buy a copy of this book, you can get an order form from the Parish office.

Warm Lunches at Maypole Methodist Church, 3 Sladepool Farm Road, B14 5DJ. Enjoy a free bowl of soup with a dessert and free tea or coffee. 12.30-2pm on Thursday 7th and 21st December. **Booking essential.** Please email derskine@hubhazelwell.org.uk or call, text, or WhatsApp 07385294820.

Mass to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe – the Patron Saint of the Unborn Child - will be held at St Chad's Cathedral on Tuesday, 12th December 2023 at 12.15pm. Archbishop Bernard will officiate at this service.

Youth Group Leaders are looking for more people who would like to help with the running of Youth Group. Our youth group is for anybody in year 4 and above and the sessions involve fun, games and worship. If you are interested, please email the Parish office.

PARISH SOCIAL EVENTS



TODAY in the Social Centre.
Doors open at 7pm and bingo starts at 7.30pm

CHRISTMAS PARTY Friday 15th December at the E57



Come and join us for a fun evening!
Ceili dancing with Pat O'Kane
Bring and Share food
Tickets are £5 each and available this weekend

CHRISTMAS GRAND PRIZE DRAW

Tickets for our Christmas Grand Prize draw will be available this weekend. The winning tickets will be drawn at the Christmas bingo on Sunday 17th December in the Social Centre.

COLLECTIONS:

	St Dunstan's	St Jude's
Gift Aid:	£462.00	£ 88.00
Non-Gift Aid:	£761.05	£175.21
Fabric Fund:	£408.19	£ 97.52
Contactless:	£140.00	-
QR Code:	£ 10.00	-



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

*The second collection **this weekend** is for the **Catholic Youth Service** and next weekend for **SVP**.*

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 Regina Darcy. They can be contacted at: sg.stdunstan.bham@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

MASS TODAY

HYMNS

Processional: 683
Offertory: 749
Post-Communion: 804
Recessional: 320

MASS SETTING

SANCTUS 499
AGNUS DEI 500

COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of the universe, grant, we pray, that the whole creation, set free from slavery, may render your majesty service and ceaselessly proclaim your praise.

A reading from the book of Ezekiel (34:11-12,15-17).

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest – it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them. As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Psalm 127(128):1-5)

R: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose. **R:**

Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.
He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name. **R:**

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. **R:**
Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever. **R:**

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians (15:20-26,28).

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so

all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king *until he has put all his enemies under his feet* and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death, for everything is to be *put under his feet*. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Even if you have to die, says the Lord,
keep faithful, and I will give you
the crown of life.

Alleluia!

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew (25:31-46).

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left.

'Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me."

'Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me."

'And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'