### The Parishes of St Dunstan and St Jude

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# Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Sat 7 <sup>th</sup>	Our Lady of the Rosary	11.00am	Holy Mass	Lexi Dufficy (Birthday)
		11.30am-1.00pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by First Saturday Devotions	
		11.30am-12.30pm and 4.45pm-5.15pm	Confessions	
		5.30pm	Vigil Mass	Veronica Shepherd (RIP)
Sun 8 <sup>th</sup>	TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY	9.15am (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	Fr Philip and Fr John (Ints.)
	TIME	10.30am	Holy Mass with Children's Liturgy	Frank Kealey (RIP)
		12noon	Holy Mass	Mary Lawlor (RIP)
		6.30pm	Holy Mass	Carmel Gilligan (RIP)
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup>	St John Henry Newman	9.30am	Holy Mass	Frank McLoughlin (RIP)
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup>	Ss Denis	10.00am (St Jude's School)	Holy Mass	Mary Dunleavy (RIP)
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	John Thornton (RIP)
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>	St John XXIII	9.30am	Holy Mass	Royal Family
		5.30pm	Vigil and Reception	Mary Donaghy (RIP)
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	Lily Doherty (RIP)
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup>	St Wilfred	9.30am (St Alban's)	Holy Mass	Deceased members of O'Sullivan family
		11.00am	Holy Mass	People of the Parish
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup>	St Edward the Confessor	9.30am followed by adoration until evening Mass	Holy Mass	Martin family (Ints.)
		6.15pm – 6.45pm	Confessions	and October Devotions
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	James Kehoe
Sat 14 <sup>th</sup>	Feria	11.00am	Holy Mass	Carter-Komada, Cueviddas, Carter-Matozza, Carter-Adlington
		11.30am-1.00pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  Confessions	
		11.30am-12.30pm and 4.45pm-5.15pm		
		5.30pm	Vigil Mass	Jimmy Gilligan and family (RIP)

Sun 15 <sup>th</sup>	TWENTY-EIGHTH	<b>9.15am</b> (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	Evelyn Arigho (RIP)
	SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.30am	Holy Mass with Children's Liturgy	Mick Doorley
		12noon	Holy Mass	Kaye Smith
		6.30pm	Holy Mass	Marta Lucetti

Welcome to Mass, and a special welcome to anyone visiting the parish today. Today is also Prisoners' Sunday. Our Lord made a promise to the convicted criminal crucified beside him, 'Today you will be with me in paradise'. Alongside our concern for the wellbeing of those in prison, we remember that families in our parishes and neighbourhoods may be enduring anxious worry, isolation and perhaps hardship while a loved one is incarcerated.

We welcome into the family of our Parishes Harry and Teddy Dovey who were baptised at St Dunstan's last weekend.

**CAFOD Harvest Family Fast Day:** Due to the many disasters around the world at the moment, CAFOD is focusing on its work in disaster areas. The second collection this weekend will be for CAFOD. There will be tea, coffee and cakes in the Conference Room next Sunday (8<sup>th</sup> October) after the 10.30am Mass with information about CAFOD's work. Everybody welcome.

**Presentation to Father Philip, our Parish Priest of 10 years.** There will be a collection for Fr Philip next weekend in recognition of the service he gave to the Parish. The presentation to Fr Philip will be made on **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October** following the 6.30pm Mass in the Social Centre to which all parishioners are warmly invited. To assist us with catering, free tickets will be available from next weekend.

St Jude's Church: The work to the north-light window is in progress. During this time, for health and safety reasons, no access is allowed inside church during the week. Therefore, Tuesday morning Mass will take place in St Jude's school hall. Sunday Mass will not be affected, Mass will be in church as usual.

Meeting for Eucharistic Ministers and readers, and anybody who would like to become a Eucharistic Minister or reader: On Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October immediately after the 7pm Mass in the Conference Room. This involves all involved in these ministries in both Parishes. We will also have a retreat day on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November beginning with the 11am Mass until 4.30pm at St Dunstan's.

**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.

If there are any children over the age of seven who would like to be Baptised, they will need instruction. Please contact Parish catechist, Nuala Bielby, for more information on 07586 370 918 or 689 2917.

Children at Non-Catholic Schools wishing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation: Classes will start after half term. Please contact Parish catechist, Nuala Bielby, for more information on 07586 370 918 or 689 2917.

**Journey of Faith** will begin on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 9.00am in St Jude's School. If you would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, please come and join us.

We pray for those who have died recently: John Parsons, Mary Donaghy, Celia Cummins (Requiem Mass at St Dunstan's on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October at 12 noon), Richard Rudge (Requiem Mass at St Dunstan's at 10.45am on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October) and Anne Marie Flynn (Requiem Mass on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October at 11am).

The November Blessing of the Graves – we will gather again for this annual focus on and prayer for the faithful departed at 2pm at the following cemeteries:

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November – Brandwood End & Quinton Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November – Widney Manor & Lodge Hill Sunday 19th November – Kings Norton & Robin Hood Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November – Wythall & St Nicolas.

**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.

**The Sycamore Course** in the Conference Room on Tuesday at 7.45pm. It is for anybody who wishes to know more about the Catholic faith. All are welcome.

**Living and Praying the Divine Will** in the Conference Room on Wednesday at 12.30pm.

**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.

**Christmas Items** now on sale at the piety stall at St Jude's.

**Macmillan Coffee Morning:** A huge and heartfelt thank you to everyone who supported the coffee morning. Including the money raised from the sale of religious artefacts, the total came to £512.77!

Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima available for home visitation throughout the year: As you spend time with Our Lady, your prayers are united with all families praying for our Parish. If you would like the statues in your home for a week, please contact the Parish office and the Legion of Mary will arrange to bring the statue to you.

The Holy Land Pilgrimage led by Fr John Peyton, 26<sup>th</sup> November to 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2024. Early-bird price, if booked by 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023, is

£1,596 per person which includes flights and accommodation. To book, and for more information, please visit www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/HL0872/

#### **PARISH SOCIAL EVENTS**



Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October in the Social Centre. Doors open at 7pm and bingo starts at 7.30pm

## Christmas Party – Save the Date Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December at the E57



Ceili dancing with Pat O'Kane and the Christmas Grand Prize Draw

#### **COLLECTIONS:**

St Dunstan's St Jude's

**Gift Aid:** £392.30 £348.00 **Non-Gift Aid:** £784.02 £242.38

Contactless: £ 65.00

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**Standing Orders** £1,559.00 £400.00

There will be a second collection this weekend for CAFOD and next weekend for Fr Philip.



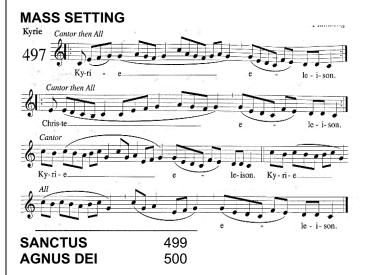
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The Parishes of St Dunstan and St Jude's operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Annette McGrath and Regina Darcy. 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: 801 Offertory: 953 Post-Communion: 908 Recessional: 861





#### COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask.

#### A reading from the prophet Isaiah (5:1-7)

Let me sing to my friend the song of his love for his vineyard. My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside. He dug the soil, cleared it of stones and planted choice vines in it. In the middle he built a tower, he dug a press there too. He expected it to yield grapes, but sour grapes were all that it gave. And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, I ask you to judge between my vineyard and me. What could I have done for my vineyard that I have not done? I expected it to yield grapes. Why did it yield sour grapes instead? Very well, I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on, and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on. I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug; overgrown by the briar and the thorn. I will command the clouds to rain no rain on it. Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of Hosts is the House of Israel, and the men of Judah that chosen plant. He expected justice, but found bloodshed, integrity, but only a cry of distress.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM** (Psalm 79)

#### R: The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

You brought a vine out of Egypt; to plant it you drove out the nations. It stretched out its branches to the sea, to the Great River it stretched out its shoots. **R**:

Then why have you broken down its walls? It is plucked by all who pass by. It is ravaged by the boar of the forest, devoured by the beasts of the field. **R**:

God of hosts, turn again, we implore, look down from heaven and see. Visit this vine and protect it, the vine your right hand has planted. *R*:

And we shall never forsake you again; give us life that we may call upon your name. God of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved. *R*:

### A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Philippians (4:6-9).

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the things that you learnt from me and have been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with you.

#### Alleluia, alleluia!

I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

### A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew (21:33-44).

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son" he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures: It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone. This was the Lord's doing and it is wonderful to see? 'I tell vou, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.'

#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, O Lord, we pray, the sacrifices instituted by your commands and, through the sacred mysteries, which we celebrate with dutiful service, graciously complete the sanctifying work by which you are pleased to redeem us.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant us, almighty God, that we may be refreshed and nourished by the Sacrament which we have received, so as to be transformed into what we consume.