

The Parishes of St Dunstan and St Jude

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Sunday 29th October – Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

	_	11.30am-12.30pm 11.30am-12.30pm	Exposition of the Ble	McCarthy and Margaret Cox
		11 30am-12 30nm		Joseph Gaoramont
		and 4.45pm-5.15pm	Confessions	
		5.30pm	Vigil Mass	Sean Fleming (RIP)
	IRTIETH SUNDAY IN DINARY TIME	9.15am (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	Michael Dunleavy (RIP Anni.)
		10.30am	Holy Mass with Children's Liturgy	Cherry Gudge (RIP)
		12noon	Holy Mass	Jim Kehoe (RIP)
		6.30pm	Holy Mass	Mrs Carmel Gilligan (RIP)
Mon 30 th Feri	ia	9.30am	Holy Mass	John Thornton (RIP)
Tues 31st Feri	ia	No Morning Mass	at St Jude's	
		11.00am	Requiem Mass	Anne Marie Flynn (RIP)
		7.00pm	Vigil Mass	Annie Hayden (RIP)
Wed 1 st SOI November SAI	_	9.30am	Holy Mass	Sister Ann Teresa (RIP)
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	Frank McLoughlin (RIP)
Thurs 2 nd All S	Souls' Day	6.45am	Holy Mass	Maureen Duffy (RIP)
		11.00am	Holy Mass	Michael Welsh (RIP)
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	Dorothy Grusson
Fri 3 rd St M	Martin de Porres	9.30am followed by adoration until evening Mass	Holy Mass	Special Intentions
		6.15pm – 6.45pm 7.00pm		and October Devotions Michael Fahey (RIP)

Sat 4 th	St Charles Borromeo	11.00am	Holy Mass	Jim Ranford (RIP)
		11.30am-12.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
		11.30am-12.30pm and 4.45pm-5.15pm	Confessions	
		4.00pm (St Jude's)	Vigil Mass	For the People
		5.30pm	Vigil Mass	Dermott O'Neill (RIP)
Sun 5 th	THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.15am (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	Pye, Griffin and Byrne families (RIP)
		10.30am	Holy Mass with Children's Liturgy	Matthew Lyons
		12noon	Holy Mass	Paddy Collins (RIP)
		6.30pm	Holy Mass	Denis, Winnie and Gill O'Donnell (RIP Anni.)

Welcome to Mass, and a special welcome to anyone visiting the parish today.

Fr Philip has sent the following note of thanks:

"Thank you to all who came to the Mass last Sunday night and to the celebration that followed in the Community Centre. It was good to catch up with so many of you. Thanks again to the regiment of altar servers, and to all those who provided the food and prepared the room. As always it was a lovely taste of Kings Heath hospitality! My induction at St John's, Banbury will be on December 3rd at 6pm, and it will be in the context of Vespers and Benediction. You will be most welcome at this. Thank you also for your generous offering, cards and gifts... again. You are all very kind. I will offer Mass for your intentions".

This Saturday is the feast day of St Jude. St Jude is the Patron Saint not only of St Jude's Church, but of hopeless causes, as well as being one of Jesus' original Twelve. He preached the Gospel with great passion in the most difficult of circumstances. Through the power of the Holy Spirit he made profound differences in people's lives as he offered them the Word of God. Let us pray today for hope and strength during difficult times in our lives and in the lives of others. A tea and coffee social follows the 9.15am Mass in St Jude's church today.

St Jude's Church: The work to the north-light window continues. During this time, for health and safety reasons, no access is allowed inside church during the week. As such, there will be no Mass on Tuesday as it is half term. Sunday Mass will not be affected, Mass will be in church as usual.

All Saints Celebration. Join us this Sunday (today) at 5pm in the St Dunstan's Conference Room to celebrate the saints with storytelling, games, and activities. Followed by Mass at 6.30pm. You're welcome to come dressed as your favourite saint.

We welcome into the family of our Parishes Aston, Adrianna and Happiness Mavivana and Ollie-Rae Allen-Clancy who was baptised at St Dunstan's last weekend.

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.

There was a wonderful turn out at our meeting for **Eucharistic Ministers and Readers**. Thank you for coming along, and for all that you do for the life of the parish. Please do remember our **retreat day** on Saturday 18th November beginning with the 11am Mass until 4.30pm at St Dunstan's. While this day is predominately orientated towards ministers, **all are welcome to join us** for the day. It will include Mass, spiritual reflections on the Word of God and the Eucharist, as well as some practical sessions on the exercise of both the ministry of reader and extraordinary ministering of Holy Communion.

Tuesday Morning Masses at St Jude's will resume after half term on Tuesday 7th November, but they will be at the earlier time of 9.30am. The Journey of Faith will therefore begin on Tuesday 7th November at 8.30am in St Jude's School. If you would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, please do come and join us.

There is no Sycamore session this week due to the half term break, but all are welcome to join us the following Tuesday when it resumes at 7.45pm.

The Statue of Our Lady of Fatima is still 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 statue in your home for a week, please contact the Parish office.

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.

There will be a session on Living and Praying the Divine Will in the Conference Room on Wednesday at 12 pm (please do note the small change in time).

We pray for those who have died recently: Celia Cummins, Richard Rudge, Anne Marie Flynn, Margaret Mooney, Stephen O'Neil, and Anne Philomena Read.

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

Are you currently in Year 12? Are you a people person? Do you want to help build a Christian society? More information and applications via our new website www.christianleadershipformation.com, and follow on Instagram (@christianleadershipformation) for all the latest updates!

There is a **Quiz Night on Saturday 18 November 2023 6.30pm at New Life Baptist Church**. Kings Heath Churches Together invite you to test your knowledge. £5 per head (includes light meal) Max 6 per team. Proceeds help fund the insurance for the Good Friday Walk of Witness. Book your place/s by Monday 13th November via Deacon David on 07948379545.

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 5th November – Brandwood End, Quinton and Woodlands. Sunday 12th November – Widney Manor and Lodge Hill. Sunday 19th November – Widney Manor and Kings Norton. Sunday 26th November – Wythall, Robin Hood & St Nicholas. There is also the Blessing of the Graves at Oscott Cemetery on Saturday 4th November at 3pm. Grave lights are now on sale at the Piety Stall at St Dunstan's.

There is plenty of opportunity to participate in Mass on the upcoming Solemnity of All Saints (Wednesday 1st November), as well as to pray for all the dead the on the following day, All Souls. Please note that there is **a plenary indulgence** – applicable only to the souls in purgatory – granted to the faithful who piously visit a Church on Sunday (this Sunday or the following Sunday), All Saints, and All Souls.

You are warmly invited to Fr John's induction as the Parish Priest of St Dunstan's and St Jude's which will be held on Friday 1st December at the 7pm Mass. A social and refreshments will follow.

As a Catholic parish, we celebrate that we are a unity *in diversity*, and it is fitting that this be reflected in **our Sunday music**. Whilst we have the support of those that make it possible, we'd therefore like there to be a variety of musical accompaniment (and none).

After Half Term then, (from the weekend of 11th/12th November) at St Dunstan's, we shall endeavour to have a said Vigil Mass (Saturday's at 5.30pm), a Mass led by an organ but entirely in English (Sunday's at 10.30am), a Mass led by an organ but with a Latin Mass part (Sunday's at 12 noon), and a Mass accompanied by a guitar (Sunday's at 6.30pm during Term-Time). Please use this information to knowingly attend the Masses with the music that is more your cup of tea.

COLLECTIONS:

 St Dunstan's
 St Jude's

 Gift Aid:
 £448.10
 £311.00

 Non-Gift Aid:
 £660.47
 £91.16



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.

Today's second collection is a gift for Fr John Waters in thanksgiving for his ministry among us. You are also invited to attend his presentation at Mass on Tuesday 21st November at 7pm, followed by a social over tea and cake.

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.

PARISH SOCIAL EVENTS



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

Christmas Party – Save the Date Friday 15th December at the E57



Come and join us for a fun evening
Ceili dancing with Pat O'Kane
Tickets will be £5 each and available the
weekend of 4th/5th November

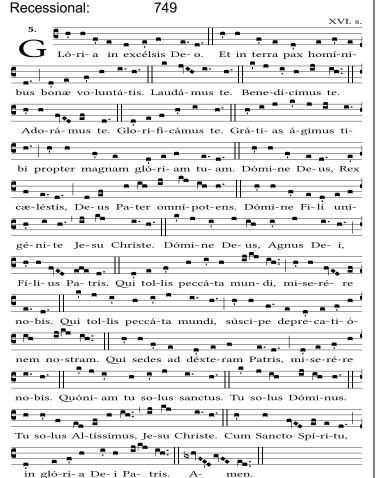
Christmas Grand Prize Draw

Prizes needed for this year's draw! Do you have your own company maybe in hospitality, beauty, sports, or know somebody who does, and would be willing to donate a prize? If so, please drop your donation into the Parish office. Thank you!

MASS TODAY

HYMNS MASS SETTING Processional: 924 SANCTUS 499 609 **AGNUS DEI** Offertory: 500

Post-Communion: 898



COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, increase our faith, hope and charity, and make us love what you command, so that we may merit what you promise.

A reading from the book of Exodus (22:20-26)

The Lord said to Moses, 'Tell the sons of Israel this:

"You must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with them, they will surely cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children orphans.

"If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man among you, you must not play the usurer with him; you must not demand interest from him.

"If you take another's cloak as a pledge, you must give it back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in? If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Psalm 17)

R: I love you, Lord, my strength.

I love you, Lord, my strength, my rock, my fortress, my saviour. My God is the rock where I take refuge; my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold. The Lord is worthy of all praise, when I call I am saved from my foes. R:

Long life to the Lord, my rock! Praised be the God who saves me, He has given great victories to his king and shown his love for his anointed. R:

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians (1:5-10).

You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with you, which was for your instruction, and you were led to become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of the great opposition all round you. This has made you the great example to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia since it was from you that the word of the Lord started to spread – and not only throughout Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to tell other people about it: other people tell us how we started the work among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and became servants of the real, living God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us from the retribution which is coming.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Open our heart. O Lord. to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew (22:34-40).

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the Law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: You must love yourself. On neiahbour as commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Look, we pray. O Lord, on the offerings we make to your majesty, that every action of our service may be directed above all to your glory. Through Christ our Lord.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May your Sacraments, O Lord, we pray; perfect in us what lies within them, that the things we now celebrate in signs we may one day possess in truth. Through Christ our Lord.