

The Parish of St Dunstan and St Jude

Sixth Sunday of Easter

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Sat 13 th	<i>Our Lady in Eastertide</i>	11.00am	Holy Mass	Brad O'Sullivan Pro Populo
		11.30am-1.00pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
		11.30am-12.30pm and 4.45pm-5.15pm	Confessions	
		5.30pm	Holy Mass	Mel Williams (RIP)
Sun 14 th	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	9.15am (<i>St Jude's</i>)	Holy Mass	Karen O'Connell
		10.30am	Holy Mass with <i>Children's liturgy</i>	Patrick Scanlon (RIP)
		12noon	Holy Mass	Ted Sanders (RIP)
		6.30pm	Holy Mass	Anthony Tuzzio (RIP)
Mon 15 th	<i>Easter Feria</i>	9.30am	Holy Mass	Declan Kerins (RIP)
Tues 16 th	<i>Easter Feria</i>	10.00am (<i>St Jude's</i>)	Holy Mass with May Procession in honour of Our Lady	Dulcie Robinson (RIP) Elizabeth and Stuart Hughes
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	
Wed 17 th	<i>Easter Feria</i>	9.30am	Holy Mass	Martin family (Ints.)
Thurs 18 th	SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD (Holy Day of Obligation)	6.45am	Holy Mass	Noel Stanley (RIP)
		9.30am	Holy Mass	Jo McManus
		9.30am (<i>St Alban's</i>)	Holy Mass	Jude Glynn (Birthday Ints.)
		11.00am (<i>St Jude's</i>)	Holy Mass	Cathleen Loye (RIP)
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	John Connolly (RIP Anni.)
Fri 19 th	The Feast of St Dunstan	9.30am	Holy Mass	Jim Brennan (Ints.)
		7.00pm	Latin EF Mass	Hannah McManus
Sat 20 th	<i>Easter Feria</i>	11.00am	Holy Mass	Eugene Cooper Pro Populo
		11.30am-1.00pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
		11.30am-12.30pm and 4.45pm-5.15pm	Confessions	
		5.30pm	Holy Mass	Ciara Ward (RIP)
Sun 21 st	SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	9.15am (<i>St Jude's</i>)	Holy Mass	Michael and Patrick Kenny (RIP)
		10.30am	Holy Mass with <i>Children's liturgy</i>	Loughlin McManus (RIP Anni.)
		12noon	Holy Mass	Connolly family (Ints.)
		6.30pm	Holy Mass	Anne O'Brien (RIP)

Welcome to Mass on this Sixth Sunday of Easter. This week has two important feasts:

This Thursday is the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord which is one of the great Holy Days of the year. The Ascension is an important moment in the season of Easter when Jesus ascends to His Father. He takes the humanity he received from Mary, crucified on the cross, and is now exalted to his Father's presence. There will be a number of Masses in the parish to enable all to attend Mass this day, beginning with the 6.45am at St Dunstan's which is followed by tea/coffee and toast in the Conference Room.

This Friday is St Dunstan's Feast Day: The 9.30am Mass will be with St Dunstan's school. The 7pm Mass is the monthly Latin Mass (1962). This celebration of Mass will be a Missa Cantata (sung Mass) followed by drinks and nibbles in the Conference Room.

Thank you to everybody who came to our King's Coronation party last Sunday, and to those who organised the party and helped out on the day. It was wonderful to celebrate this special occasion together as a Parish.

The Sign of Peace. A couple of people have asked about the sign of peace during Mass that ceased during the Covid pandemic. It is an optional ceremony during Mass, and some part. Some people are great fans of it, others not so keen. Also, for those who receive holy communion in the hand, shaking hands immediately before isn't perhaps the most hygienic practice. Families/ friends are free to do what they wish of course – but it is those beyond those circles that calls for more sensitivity. Some parishes now have the practice of the sign of peace as bowing to the person either side, or turning to the person either side and saying 'peace be with you'. The sign of peace isn't an opportunity to greet or wave to those you know – that's for after Mass- but a reminder of the disposition of heart required for receiving Holy Communion – that we seek to Love the Lord our God, and our neighbour as ourselves. The most important part of the *Rite of Peace* is the exchange between priest and people: 'The peace of the Lord be with you always' 'And with your spirit' - in that it is the Lord's peace coming from the sacrifice of the altar that we receive – for Christ is our peace.

If you have any thoughts on this, please have a word.

St Dunstan's church opening this week: Monday to Thursday, church will be open from 8.30am to 12.30pm, and on Friday, church will open at 8.30am and will close following the evening Mass. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is on Fridays between the two Masses, and on Saturday morning from the end of Mass until 1pm.

We pray for those who have died recently: Robin Shepherd, Mary Hatton (*Requiem Mass at St Dunstan's on 31st May at 12.30pm*), Tony Blundell, Mary Bull, and John Tierney.

We pray for those who are being Baptised today: Platon Gabriel Hadjinestoros at St Dunstan's.

During the Easter Season we don't recite The Angelus, but instead we use the Easter Marian Anthem, the *Regina Caeli*.

6. **R** Egna cé-li * lætare, alle-lú-ia : Qui-a quem me-
ru- isti portare, alle-lú-ia : Resurrexit, sic-ut di-xit, alle-
lú-ia : Ora pro nó-bis Dé-um, alle-lú- ia.

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.
For the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia.

Let us pray. O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Next Baptism Preparation Meeting is on Thursday 1st June at 7.45pm in St Dunstan's Church. If you wish to attend, please contact the Parish office, and leave your name and phone number.

Prayer Group in the Conference Room every Sunday at 7.30pm. All welcome.

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.

Living and Praying the Divine Will in the Conference Room on Wednesday at 1pm.

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.

Youth Club for people in year 4 to year 8 in the Conference Room on Friday from 6.30pm and 8pm. Come and join us for fun and games.

Eucharistic Ministers/Children's Liturgy Leaders/Senior Altar Servers: If you have completed the online link which was sent to you by Angela Arkley, please arrange a meeting with Annette McGrath, our parish Safeguarding Representative, as soon as possible to complete your identity check. Thank you to all those who have already done this. Annette can be contacted on: 0121 444 7701 or sg.stdunstan.bham@rcaob.org.uk

Urgently Needed! Flower Team Volunteers: We urgently need volunteers at St Dunstan's to join our small flower team! If you can arrange flowers in a vase, then you're just the right person. Don't worry – you don't need to be an expert! Please message Bernard on 07505 363 791 if you are interested or would like to know more.

BINGO

ON SUNDAY

21st MAY

In the Social Centre
Doors Open at 7pm
Bingo Starts at 7.30pm

Gift Aid: If you haven't collected your box, please could you do so today, so we are able to claim Gift Aid on your donations. Please could you let Dawn in the Parish office know if:

- You have had a change of circumstances and no longer require your envelopes.
- You have changed your address.
- If you have recently signed up to donate to church by Standing Order, and do not require your box for the second collection envelopes.

Church Donations: You can now make a donation to church using the QR code which you can find on the noticeboards in both churches. All you need to do, is open the camera on your mobile phone and scan the code. If you wish, you will also be able to Gift Aid your donations by following the instructions on your screen.



St Paul's School for Girls, Edgbaston, is seeking to appoint a Caretaker to commence as soon as possible. Working hours: 37.5. hours per week. Salary £23,194 - negotiable according to qualifications. Full time, all year round, shift times (6am - 2pm and 11:30am – 7:30pm) as well as opportunities for overtime. For further details or an application pack, please telephone school or download from our website: www.stpaulgl.bham.sch.uk. Closing date for applications is 26th May 2023 at noon. Interview date is 7th June.

Church teaching says that we should not only support those in poverty but also tackle the root causes of poverty? Pope Benedict XVI said that "Love — caritas — is an extraordinary force which leads people to opt for courageous and generous engagement in the field of justice and peace." To find out more and get involved in tackling the root causes of poverty, please go to cafod.org.uk/latest campaigns.


MASS TODAY

HYMNS


Processional:	279
Offertory:	604
Post-Communion:	720
Recessional:	356

MASS SETTING


Kyrie *Cantor then All*

497  Ky-ri - e - e - le - i - son.


Cantor then All

 Chris-te - e - le - i - son.

Cantor

 Ky-ri - e - e - le-ison. Ky-ri - e

All

 e - le - i - son.

Sanctus: 506

Angus Dei: 509

COLLECT

Grant, almighty God, that we may celebrate with heartfelt devotion these days of joy, which we keep in honour of the risen Lord, and that what we relive in remembrance we may always hold to in what we do.

XVI. s.

5.  **G** Ló-ri - a in excélsis De - o. Et in terra pax homí - ni - bus bonæ vo-luntá-tis. Laudá - mus te. Bene-dí - cimus te. Ado-rá - mus te. Glo-ri - fi - cámus te. Grá - ti - as á - gimus ti - bi propter magnam gló - ri - am tu - am. Dómi - ne De - us, Rex cæ - léstis, De - us Pa - ter omní - pot - ens. Dómi - ne Fi - li uni - gé - ni - te Je - su Christe. Dómi - ne De - us, Agnus De - i, Fi - li - us Pa - tris. Qui tol - lis peccá - ta mun - di, mi - se - ré - re no - bis. Qui tol - lis peccá - ta mundi, súsci - pe depre - ca - ti - ó - nem no - stram. Qui sedes ad dexte - ram Patris, mi - se - ré - re no - bis. Quóni - am tu so - lus sanctus. Tu so - lus Dómi - nus. Tu so - lus Al - tíssimus, Je - su Christe. Cum Sancto Spí - ri - tu, in gló - ri - a De - i Pa - tris. A - men.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (8:5-8,14-17)

Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town.

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(Psalm 32)

R: Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

Cry out with joy to God all the earth,
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise.
Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds! **R:**

'Before you all the earth shall bow;
shall sing to you, sing to your name!
Come and see the works of God,
tremendous his deeds among men. **R:**

He turned the sea into dry land,
they passed through the river dry-shod.
Let our joy then be in him;
he rules for ever by his might. **R:**

Come and hear, all who fear God.
I will tell what he did for my soul:
Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer
nor withhold his love from me. **R:**

A reading from the first letter of St Peter (3:15-18)

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong.

Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.'

Alleluia!

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John (14:15-21)

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If you love me you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever, that Spirit of truth whom the world can never receive since it neither sees nor knows him; but you know him, because he is with you, he is in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come back to you. In a short time the world will no longer see me; but you will see me, because I live and you will live. On that day you will understand that I am in my Father and you in me and I in you. Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them will be one who loves me; and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I shall love him and show myself to him.'

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May our prayers rise up to you, O Lord, together with the sacrificial offerings, so that, purified by your graciousness, we may be conformed to the mysteries of your mighty love.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty ever-living God, who restores us to eternal life in the Resurrection of Christ, increase in us, we pray, the fruits of this paschal Sacrament and pour into our hearts the strength of this saving food.

COLLECTIONS:

	St Dunstan's	St Jude's
Gift Aid:	£482.10	£139.00
Non-Gift Aid:	£661.78	£120.29

*There is a second collection **this weekend** for **Catholic Communications** and **next weekend** for the **Fabric Fund**.*