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## The Parishes of St Dunstan and St Jude



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### Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March – Third Sunday in Lent

Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup>	St Chad	11.00am	Holy Mass	Sam and Elaine Rashid	
		11.30am-12.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament		
		11.30am-12.30pm and 4.45pm-5.15pm Confessions at St Dunstan's 3.30pm Confessions at St Jude's			
		4.00pm (St Jude's)	Vigil Mass	Oonagh Trigg nee McCullagh (RIP)	
		5.30pm	Vigil Mass	McTernan and Graham families	
Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup>	THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT	9.15am (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	Lucy Hayden	
		10.30am	Holy Mass with Children's Liturgy	Kitty O'Sullivan	
		12noon	Holy Mass	Jim Cunningham (RIP)	
		6.30pm	Holy Mass	Mary Ryan	
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup>	Lent Feria	9.30am	Holy Mass followed by the Rosary	Eileen Howley	
		5.00pm (St Jude's)	Vigil and reception	Hannah Harman RIP	
		7.00m (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	Michael McGrory (RIP)	
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup>	Lent Feria	9.30am (St Jude's)	Holy Mass followed by Stations of the Cross	Mary Moy	
		11.00am (St Jude's)	Requiem Mass	Hannah Harman RIP	
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	Kevin Lenehan (RIP)	
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup>	Lent Feria	9.30am	Holy Mass	Martin family (ints.)	
		6.00pm	Vigil and reception	Mary O'Connor (RIP)	
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	Michael Smith	
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup>	Lent Feria	6.45am	Holy Mass followed by tea and toast	Marie Chatten (RIP)	
		9.30am (St Alban's)	Holy Mass	Fr Toby (ints.)	
		11.00am	Requiem Mass	Mary O'Connor (RIP)	

Fri 8 <sup>th</sup>	Lent Feria	Adoration from 10.00am until evening Mass	No Morning Mass	Shirley Carey (RIP)
		11.00am	Requiem Mass	
		6.15pm	Stations of the Cross	
		6.15pm – 6.45pm	Confessions	
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	

**Mass Intentions for next weekend: St Dunstan's:** Saturday 11.00am Elaine Rashid (Birthday), 5.30pm Philomena Rattray (RIP), Sunday 10.30am Allen, Edward, and Larkin families, 12 noon Joseph power, 6.30pm Frank McLoughlin (RIP).

**St Jude's:** Saturday 4pm People of the Parish, Sunday 9.15am Hilda Walsh (RIP).

**We pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently:** Tom O'Connor (*Requiem Mass on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March at 10.30am at Our Lady of Lourdes*), Denise Stanley, Helena Lazarz, John Collins, Christopher Crotty, John "Sean" Nash Marie Chatten, Hannah Harman (*Requiem Mass on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 11.00am at St Jude's Church*), and Mary O'Connor (*Requiem Mass on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March at 11.00am at St Dunstan's Church*).

**We pray also for those who anniversaries occur in March:** Dennis Buckley, 1<sup>st</sup> Paddy Walsh (2020), 3<sup>rd</sup> Frances Dunlea, William Molloy (1975), 4<sup>th</sup> Oonagh Trigg (2023), 5<sup>th</sup> Annie Rochford (2021), 6<sup>th</sup> Anthony Flynn (2004), 7<sup>th</sup> Mattie Neylon (2018), Roseanne Clarke (2009), Patrick Walsh (2020), 9<sup>th</sup> Ber Gorman (2023), 10<sup>th</sup> Baby Edward Hemming, 11<sup>th</sup> Eric Shelton, 13<sup>th</sup> Monica Jena (2008), 14<sup>th</sup> John Tierney (2023), 15<sup>th</sup> Ray Bielby (2023), Mark Woodcock (2021), 17<sup>th</sup> Patrick Peyton (1991), 19<sup>th</sup> James Dickinson (2009), 21<sup>st</sup> Frank McLoughlin (2023), Tyd Rose, 22<sup>nd</sup> Bridie McAdam (2023), Jack Greer (2007), 24<sup>th</sup> Varghese Panthalloor, Charles Byrne (1942), 30<sup>th</sup> Maura Donohoe, 31<sup>st</sup> Pat Dunlea, Betty Wright (nee Cronin).

**Welcome to Mass on this Third Sunday of Lent.** As our Lenten journey continues, please take an opportunity to attend an extra Mass during the week if you can, maybe the early Mass on Thursday before going to work, or a Holy Hour on Friday or Saturday.

**Congratulations** to all the children received the Sacrament of Confirmation over the last two Tuesdays. Thank you also our altar serving team and to those who helped to prepare the candidates.

**If there any children not in Catholic schools from year 3 upwards** who would like to be prepared for **First Confession and First Holy Communion**, please ring the Parish catechist Pat Thorpe on 449 4002, or the Parish Office and leave your contact details.

**Youth Group today (Sunday):** Preparations for the living Stations of the Cross which will be held in St Dunstan's Church on Palm Sunday. Parents/guardians dropping young people off are welcome to stay for a chat tea, coffee and cake which will be available in the new entrance of church.

**Parish Renewal Event** (Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 7 - 8.30pm): Reflecting on the Beauty of Our Catholic Faith. Join Jimmy Mitchel, the author of the new Ignatius Press Book *Let Beauty Speak*, as he talks to us about the Transcendental of Beauty, i.e., the way in which beauty leads us to God. Jimmy is a theologian who travels the world speaking at Catholic events (especially for the youth), and he is currently the Director of Campus Ministries at Jesuit High School in Tampa Florida. Jimmy is also an accomplished musician and some of his presentation will be musical in nature. The evening event will be at St Dunstan's Church and will conclude with a Holy Half-Hour and Solemn Benediction.

**A Lenten Proposal** – Fr Toby continues the next stage of the *Spiritual Exercises* of St Ignatius of Loyola. We will be meeting in the Conference Room each Tuesday evening at 6.00pm throughout Lent.

**Ecumenical Lent Groups for 2024:** Churches Together Lent Groups;

- Monday, 11.00am, at All Saints Church;
- Tuesday, 8.00pm, on-line led by New Life Baptist Church;
- Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February, 10.30am, at New Life Baptist Church;
- Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 12.15pm, in St. Dunstan's Conference Room.

**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.

There will be a **CAFOD Parish Lent Walk** on Saturday March 16th. We plan to walk to Cannon Hill Park for a picnic (bring your own food and drink), leaving Church after 11am Mass, gathering outside the new main entrance. We hope to picnic between the play park and the lake, near the back entrance to the Mac. Refreshments in the Conference Room on our return. All welcome. For those who would like to use the bus the 35 stops just after the roundabout at the bottom of Salisbury Road, almost opposite the park entrance. Children need to bring a responsible adult with them. Collection on the walk for CAFOD. For more details, please contact Jackie or Brian Trewby: 0121 441 4730 or 07855 464938.

**Holy Week and Triduum Singing Group:** We hope to have a group for every liturgy, but if you are only able to come to some, that is fine too. We are meeting after Friday evening Masses at St Dunstan's. If you cannot make these times but would like to be involved, please let Deacon Martin know.

**If you are planning to donate Lenten alms to charity,** the local SVP's funds were, despite your amazing generosity, dramatically depleted by our spending at Christmas (150 hampers, plus boxes of biscuits). We are still getting regular requests for help due to the cost of living. You can put cash in the SVP box in St Dunstan's church, or donate via the tap & go machine.

**Missio/Mill Hill:** The St Dunstan's promoters will be in touch with the red box supporters to receive your donations in the coming weeks. Thank you for your continued support for the missions.

**Legion of Mary** meet Saturday mornings at St Dunstan's in the Conference Room at 9.30am, and Monday evenings at St Jude's in church at 6pm. Everybody is welcome to come along.

**Journey in Faith** will be at 7.45pm in the Presbytery on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February and Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February.

**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 12noon.

**Bishop Challoner Tea Party:** The next tea party is on Wednesday from 1:30pm to 3pm in the 6<sup>th</sup> form common room. There will be tea, sandwiches, cake and bingo.

**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 this Friday.

**Lenten Soup Lunches:** This Friday in the Conference Room from 12.30pm.

**Mass with Anointing of the Sick,** Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 11.00am, followed by refreshments in the Conference Room. If anyone would like to come but will need transport, please let the Parish Office know.

**Bereavement Group:** A cuppa and a chat will be available on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March in the Conference Room at 11:30am, after the 11.00am Mass. If you, or someone you know, has suffered a bereavement, you are very welcome to come along. We can make this journey together.

**Archdiocese of Birmingham organises a pilgrimage to Lourdes.** If you are interested, contact the pilgrimage office on Tel: 0121 230 6288. **Would you be willing to give up a week of your time to assist sick pilgrims in Lourdes?** If so, please email Kathryn, our Chief Nurse (chiefnurse.lourdes@rcaob.org.uk) or visit the Diocesan website for more information.

**HCPT Lourdes Fundraiser:** There will be a cake sale after the 12 noon Mass on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March.

## ST DUNSTAN'S CAR PARK UPDATE

We have met with Euro Parking Services again this week for an update. They have confirmed that *some* letters of apology to those who have been issued PCNs in error have already been sent out, and they will continue to send letters out over the next two to three weeks. Where PCNs were issued in error and paid by the car owner, this will be reimbursed by Euro Car Parking over the next two to three weeks. Again, we apologise for the stress and upset this has caused.

If you are attending Mass or adoration and are finding entering your car registration into the tablet in church difficult, please write your registration down on a piece of paper, bring it to church, and ask one of the stewards to help you as soon as you arrive.

Complaints regarding the **car park** that are sent to the office email will no longer be reviewed. Such **correspondence should be sent to churchparking2024@gmail.com**. These will be forwarded to Euro Car Parking services each working day. They will contact you as to the outcome of your issue. In recent weeks, it has been difficult to attend to pastoral issues alongside such a barrage of car park related emails.

### COLLECTIONS:

	St Dunstan's	St Jude's
<b>Gift Aid:</b>	£ 497.50	£110.00
<b>Non-Gift Aid:</b>	£ 892.02	£202.83
<b>CAFOD</b>	£1,068.79	£181.94
<b>Contactless:</b>	£ 97.00	
<b>QR Code:</b>	£ 15.00	



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.

There will be a **second collection this weekend** for Cathedral Maintenance.

'**Born for This**' written by CJM, is a beautiful and moving depiction of the Stations of the Cross through music and drama. It is a wonderful way to prepare for Holy Week. We would like to invite all parishioners to this event at St Thomas Aquinas School. There will be two performances:

1. Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 5pm, with 90 children from our Lumen Christi Catholic primary schools.
2. Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 7pm, performed together with local secondary schools – St John Henry Newman, Bishop Challoner, St Peter's and Archbishop Illsley.

This is a free event. There will be a cake sale afterwards to raise funds for students who are going on pilgrimage to Lourdes.

**COLLECT**

O God, author of every mercy and of all goodness, who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving have shown us a remedy for sin, look graciously on this confession of our lowliness, that we, who are bowed down by our conscience, may always be lifted up by your mercy.

**A reading from the book of Exodus (20:1-17).**

God spoke all these words. He said, 'I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. 'You shall have no gods except me.' 'You shall not make yourself a carved image or any likeness of anything in heaven or on earth beneath or in the waters under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or serve them. For I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God and I punish the father's fault in the sons, the grandsons, and the great-grandsons of those who hate me; but I show kindness to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

'You shall not utter the name of the Lord your God to misuse it, for the Lord will not leave unpunished the man who utters his name to misuse it.

'Remember the sabbath day and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work, but the seventh day is a sabbath for the Lord your God. You shall do no work that day, neither you nor your son nor your daughter nor your servants, men or women, nor your animals nor the stranger who lives with you. For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth and the sea and all that these hold, but on the seventh day he rested; that is why the Lord has blessed the sabbath day and made it sacred.

'Honour your father and your mother so that you may have a long life in the land that the Lord your God has given to you.

'You shall not kill.

'You shall not commit adultery.

'You shall not steal.

'You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

'You shall not covet your neighbour's house. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or his servant, man or woman, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is his.'

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM (115(116):10,15-19)**

**R: You, Lord, have the message of eternal life.**

The law of the Lord is perfect,  
it revives the soul.  
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,  
it gives wisdom to the simple. **R:**

The precepts of the Lord are right,  
they gladden the heart.  
The command of the Lord is clear,  
it gives light to the eyes. **R:**

The fear of the Lord is holy,  
abiding for ever.  
The decrees of the Lord are truth  
and all of them just. **R:**

They are more to be desired than gold,  
than the purest of gold  
and sweeter are they than honey,  
than honey from the comb. **R:**

**A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians (1:22-25)**

While the Jews demand miracles and the Greeks look for wisdom, here are we preaching a crucified Christ; to the Jews an obstacle that they cannot get over, to the pagans madness, but to those who have been called, whether they are Jews or Greeks, a Christ who is the power and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard:

'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.'

Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

**Alleluia!**

**A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark (2:13-25).**

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money-changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market.' Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said.

During his stay in Jerusalem for the Passover many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he gave, but Jesus knew them all and did not trust himself to them; he never needed evidence about any man; he could tell what a man had in him.

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