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



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**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April – The Fourth Sunday of Easter**

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| Sat 20 <sup>th</sup>   | <i>Easter Feria</i>            | 11.00am                           | Holy Mass  | Deceased members of Finglass family |
|                        |                                | 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 -3.55pm                    | Confessions at St Jude's                           |                                     |
|                        |                                | 4.00pm (St Jude's)                | Vigil Mass   | People of the Parish                |
|                        |                                | 5.30pm                            | Vigil Mass   | Ned and Annie Sheridan (RIP Anni.)  |
| Sun 21 <sup>st</sup>   | <b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b> | 9.15am (St Jude's)                | Holy Mass  | Philomena De Souza (Birthday Ints.) |
|                        |                                | 10.30am with Children's Liturgy   | Holy Mass  | Pat Fitzpatrick (RIP Anni.)         |
|                        |                                | 12noon                            | Holy Mass  | Vera Hawkins (RIP)                  |
|                        |                                | 6.30pm                            | Holy Mass  | Barry Pyne (RIP)                    |
| Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup>   | <i>Easter Feria</i>            | 9.30am                            | Holy Mass followed by the Rosary                   | Marie Chatten (RIP)                 |
| Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup>  | <b>SOLMENITY OF ST GEORGE</b>  | 9.30am (St Jude's)                | Holy Mass  | Persecuted Priests                  |
|                        |                                | 7.00pm                            | Holy Mass  | Noel Stanley (RIP Anni.)            |
| Wed 24 <sup>th</sup>   | <i>Easter Feria</i>            | 9.30am                            | Holy Mass  | Joe Noone (RIP Anni.)               |
|                        |                                | 7.00pm                            | Holy Mass  | Ray Bielby (RIP)                    |
| Thurs 25 <sup>th</sup> | ST MARK, EVANGELIST            | 9.30am (St Alban's)               | Holy Mass  | Kitty McCaughey (RIP)               |
|                        |                                | 11.30am                           | Requiem Mass                                       | Nora Sheehan (RIP)                  |
| Fri 26 <sup>th</sup>   | <i>Easter Feria</i>            | 9.30am                            | Holy Mass followed by Adoration until evening Mass | Tom Brosnan (RIP Birthday)          |
|                        |                                | 7.00pm                            | Holy Mass  | Mark Woodcock (RIP)                 |

**Mass Intentions for next weekend: St Dunstan's:** Saturday 11.00am John McCarron (Ints.), 5.30pm Jack McHale (RIP), Sunday 10.30am Cecilia, Joanne and Stanley Enock (Thanksgiving), 12 noon Eileen Kilkenny (RIP Anni.), 6.30pm Mary Smart (RIP).

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

**We pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently:** Kathleen O'Neil, Bernadette Bayliss, Bridie Coughlan and Nora Sheehan.

**We pray also for those who anniversaries occur in April:** Patrick Fitzpatrick (2020), Patrick Rice, Moira Richardson (1996), Martin Holleran (1999), Nora Flynn (1994), Hughie O'Halloran (2000), Nora Joyce (1984), Kelvin Ward (2023), Maeve Crawler (2001), Patrick Rice, Peter Campbell (1977), Charlie Graham, William Scott (1995), Eileen Shortt (1995), V M Devasia, Frederick Oakley (2012), Thomas Byrne, David Power, Joe Cuneen, Theresa Mullen, John Mockler, Fionan Rafferty, Chris Murray, Martin Conway, and Michael O'Looney.

**Please pray for the sick of our Parishes:** Michael Martin, Noreen Winhall, Paul Holleran, Mike Regan and Bridie Keaney.

### **Welcome to Mass! Today – the Fourth Sunday of Easter - is always known as Good Shepherd Sunday.**

It is also the annual day of prayer for vocations to the priesthood, the diaconate and religious life. There is no doubt that the church needs priests to celebrate the Eucharist and other sacraments, and Religious to offer a living witness to the values of the Kingdom of God. But how do we work out whether God is calling us to a particular vocation? One simple test is whether following a particular path in life gives us joy. If we are happy and content, or at least think we will be, then it is worth giving it a try. Following a vocation is not an obstacle course that has to be overcome. There will be difficulties, but an inner contentment is important. This develops as our friendship with Jesus grows, and our sense of purpose becomes clear.

In today's gospel reading Jesus says that he is the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. Becoming close to Jesus, through prayer and listening, through adoration and service will involve sacrifice there is no escaping that. But the word sacrifice means to make holy, and holiness is what we are all made for and that which we all should seek. There will be a second collection for the Clergy Training Fund next weekend.

**Acies:** Annual consecration to Our Lady for active and auxiliary members of the Legion of Mary today (Sunday) at 2.30pm. All are welcome.

**Message from Bishop Challoner:** To commemorate our Platinum Jubilee year, we will be holding a celebration event **this Thursday** 4.00pm - 6.30pm. There will be an opportunity to visit our Spring Fair and take part in activities. It would be lovely to see as many of you as possible with friends and family.

**Gift Aid Envelopes and Planned Giving Envelopes:** Please collect your envelopes which can be found at the back of both churches.

**St Jude's APF Red Boxes** will be collected at the end of April. Last year, we raised £1,128.93 from the boxes. Thank you for your generosity and support.

**Responding to the Call Of Creation:** The April newsletter inspiring and enabling climate action in the Archdiocese of Birmingham is now available online at [www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/responding-to-the-call-of-creation-newsletter](http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/responding-to-the-call-of-creation-newsletter)

**We welcome into our Parish community** Maeve Hannigan who was Baptised at St Dunstan's last weekend.

**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 6.15pm. 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.

**Journey in Faith:** On Tuesday at 7.45pm in the Conference Room.

**Living and Praying the Divine Will** continues at 14 Forest Rd, Moseley, on Wednesday at 12noon.

**Bishop Challoner Tea Party** on Wednesday from 1:30pm to 3pm in the sixth 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.

**Our Lady of the Wayside Catholic Primary School, Shirley,** has a vacancy for an Assistant Headteacher (full-time). Start date September 2024. Visits to the school can be arranged and are welcomed. For further details please visit <https://www.ol-wayside.solihull.sch.uk/staff-vacancies/>

**Annual Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage:** An invitation is extended to married couples, those celebrating a milestone anniversary and those preparing to marry this year, to the annual Mass for Marriage at St Chad's Cathedral on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May at 12 Noon, followed by light refreshments.

Please visit [www.vocations.org.uk/marriage-mass](http://www.vocations.org.uk/marriage-mass).

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# BINGO

**£5 PER BOOK**

**SUNDAY 28TH APRIL**

**DOORS OPEN AT 7PM**  
**EYES DOWN AT 7.45PM**

**IN THE SOCIAL CENTRE**  
**NEXT TO ST DUNSTAN'S CHURCH**

**Real Ale and Cider Festival: We are looking for sponsors for the barrels of beer and cider.** We suggest a sponsorship of £100 per barrel, which could be split between a group, from a company, or from an individual. In return, you can choose which barrel to sponsor, and you will receive a goody bag on the day. If you own a company, you can advertise your company in the programme. Please could you email the Parish Office if you are interested.

**Parish Tote:** We will be starting a St Dunstan's and St Jude's Parish Tote on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May. Numbers will range from 1-24. Each card has 6 games at £1 per 4 numbers, complete all 6 games and pay only £5 per full card. The cards will be available in church from Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May, with the first draw taking place on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June at 1pm. Envelopes can be deposited at St Dunstan's Presbytery up to 10am on the day of the draw. The draw will then take place weekly from Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June.

We are looking for Agents to help us promote the Tote. Would you be able to ask family, friends, neighbours, or work colleagues if they would like to take part? If you can help, please speak to Fr John and we will provide everything you will need.

**COLLECTIONS:**

|                                   | St Dunstan's | St Jude's |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|-----------|
| <b>Gift Aid:</b>                  | £391.00      | £162.00   |
| <b>Non-Gift Aid:</b>              | £768.36      | £162.08   |
| <b>Aid to the Church in Need:</b> | £539.16      | £252.40   |
| <b>Contactless:</b>               | £138.00      |           |
| <b>QR Code:</b>                   | £ 35.00      |           |



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 is a **Second Collection** this week for **The Fabric Fund**, and next week for the Clergy Training Fund.

*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 Representative is Annette McGrath. They can be contacted at: [sg.stdunstan.bham@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stdunstan.bham@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/[safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concerns.*

# READINGS FOR SUNDAY MASS

## COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, lead us to a share in the joys of heaven, so that the humble flock may reach where the brave Shepherd has gone before.

## FIRST READING

*Acts 4:8-12*

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**R: The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.**

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,  
for his love has no end.  
It is better to take refuge in the Lord  
than to trust in men;  
it is better to take refuge in the Lord  
than to trust in princes. **R:**

I will thank you for you have answered  
and you are my saviour.  
The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the corner stone.  
This is the work of the Lord,  
a marvel in our eyes. **R:**

Blessed in the name of the Lord  
is he who comes.  
We bless you from the house of the Lord;  
You are my God, I thank you.  
My God, I praise you.  
Give thanks to the Lord for he is good;  
for his love has no end. **R:**

## SECOND READING

*1 John 3:1-2*

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;  
I know my own sheep and my own know me.

**Alleluia!**

## GOSPEL READING

*John 10:11-18*

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep. 'I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep. And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well. They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock, and one shepherd. 'The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, and as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Look upon your flock, kind Shepherd, and be pleased to settle in eternal pastures the sheep you have redeemed by the Precious Blood of your Son.

## SOLEMN BLESSING

May God, who by the Resurrection of his Only Begotten Son was pleased to confer on you the gift of redemption and of adoption, give you gladness by his blessing. **Amen.**

May he, by whose redeeming work you have received the gift of everlasting freedom, make you heirs to an eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

And may you, who have already risen with Christ in Baptism through faith, by living in a right manner on this earth be united with him in the homeland of heaven. **Amen.**

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**