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



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**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March  
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Lent Feria</i>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Holy Mass</b>	Frank McLoughlin (1 <sup>st</sup> Anni)	
		<i>11.30am-12.30pm</i>	<i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>		
		<i>11.30am-12.30pm and 4.45pm-5.15pm Confessions at St Dunstan's</i>			
		<i>3.30pm Confessions at St Jude's</i>			
		<b>4.00pm (St Jude's)</b>	<b>Vigil Mass</b>	People of the Parish	
		<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>Vigil Mass</b>	Kieran Lavin	
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD</b>	<b>9.15am (St Jude's)</b>	<b>Solemn Entrance and Holy Mass</b>	Frances	
		<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Solemn Entrance and Holy Mass</b>	Des O'Leary	
		<b>12noon</b>	<b>Procession and Holy Mass</b>	Bernie Mellett (RIP)	
		<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Holy Mass</b>	Gilligan Girls (Ints.)	
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Monday of Holy Week</i>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Holy Mass followed by the Rosary</b>	Bernard Tehan	
		<b>7.00pm (St Jude's)</b>	<b>Holy Mass</b>	Fr John Waters (Ints.)	
Tues 26 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Tuesday of Holy Week</i>	<b>9.30am (St Jude's)</b>	<b>Holy Mass followed by Stations of the Cross</b>	Pake O'Donnell	
		<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Requiem Mass</b>	Frances Lynch (RIP)	
		<b>1.00pm</b>	<b>Requiem Mass</b>	Arline Quddus (RIP)	
		<b>7.00pm</b>	<b>Holy Mass</b>	Pat Ryan	
		<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Penitential Service</b>		
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Wednesday of Holy Week</i>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Holy Mass</b>	Val Walsh (RIP)	
		<b>7.00pm</b>	<b>Holy Mass</b>	Jean Ward (RIP)	

Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup>	<b>MAUNDY THURSDAY</b>	9.30am	<b>Office of Readings and Morning Prayer followed by Confessions until 11.00am.</b>	
		7.30pm ( <i>St Jude's</i> )	<b>Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by The Watch before the Altar of Repose until 10pm).</b>	Mrs Marie Whyre (Ints.)
		7.30pm	<b>Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by The Watch before the Altar of Repose concluding with</b>	Renée Kingston (RIP)
		11.50pm	<b>The Office of Compline</b>	
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup>	<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>	9.30am	<b>Office of Readings and Morning Prayer</b>	
		10.00am	<b>Children's Stations of the Cross led by the Youth Group</b>	
		3.00pm ( <i>St Jude's</i> )	<b>Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion followed by Confessions until 5.00pm</b>	
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		7.00pm ( <i>St Jude's</i> )	<b>Stations of the Cross with the Seven Last words</b>	
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Sat 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>HOLY SATURDAY</b>	9.30am	<b>Office of Readings and Morning Prayer</b>	
		2.30pm	<b>Confessions</b>	
		3.00pm	<b>Blessing of the Easter Baskets</b>	
		8.00pm ( <i>St Jude's</i> )	<b>Vigil and First Mass of Easter</b>	People of the Parish
		8.00pm	<b>Vigil and First Mass of Easter</b>	Nellie Buckley (RIP)
Sun 31 <sup>st</sup>	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b>	9.15am ( <i>St Jude's</i> )	<b>Holy Mass</b>	Bernadette Mellett (RIP)
		10.30am	<b>Holy Mass</b>	Louise Tehan (RIP)
		12noon	<b>Holy Mass</b>	William Driver (RIP Anni.)
		<b><u>No Evening Mass</u></b>		
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> April	<i>Easter Monday</i>	7.00pm	<b>Holy Mass</b>	John Collins (RIP)
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>Easter Tuesday</i>	7.00pm	<b>Holy Mass</b>	Bernie Mellett (RIP)
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Easter Wednesday</i>	11.00am ( <i>St Jude's</i> )	<b>Holy Mass</b>	Nora and Pat Ryan
Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Easter Thursday</i>	11.00am	<b>Holy Mass</b>	Philomena O'Connor (RIP)
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Easter Friday</i>	7.00pm	<b>Holy Mass</b>	Kathleen Byrne (RIP)

**We pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently:** Gerard Rennie, Yvonne Cole, Michael Conway, Beryl Harnett, Frances Lynch, Arlien Quddus, and Kitty McCaughey (*Requiem Mass at St Dunstan's on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April at 11.00am*), Bernadette Bayliss (*Requiem Mass at St Dunstan's on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April at 11.00am*), and Bridie Coughlan (*Requiem Mass at St Dunstan's on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April at 11.00am*)

**We pray also for those whose anniversaries occur in March:** 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, 12<sup>th</sup> Margaret Mary Allan, 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), Patrick Tehan (1978), 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), 29<sup>th</sup> Louise Tehan (2017), 30<sup>th</sup> Maura Donohoe, 31<sup>st</sup> Pat Dunlea, Betty Wright (nee Cronin), Dennis Buckley, William Driver (Bill).

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

**Welcome to Mass as we begin the most important and sacred week of the year – Holy Week.** Today we commemorate the triumphant entry of Christ into Jerusalem, and so for the morning Masses we begin outside. The people tore branches from the palm trees to greet Jesus as he entered the holy city, as they would for a king or champion. We too carry palm branches in procession as Mass begins in honour of Christ the King. Palm Sunday is also known as Passion Sunday as we hear proclaimed for the first time this week the Gospel of the Lord's Passion.

**Do make this week holy!** On Tuesday, there is our **Penitential Service** where there will be extra priests coming to St Dunstan's to hear confessions. There are also Penitential Services this week at Our Lady of Lourdes, Yardley Wood, tomorrow (Monday) at 7pm, and at Ss Helen and Joseph, Kings Norton on Wednesday at 7pm.

**The Annual Chrism Mass** takes place at St Chad's Cathedral on **Wednesday** at 11.30am. At this Mass, the priests of our Archdiocese gather with the Archbishop to renew their priestly promises. The oils for use in the Sacraments for the coming year are blessed and the oil of Chrism is consecrated. Although space in the Cathedral is limited, everybody is welcome. You can also join the live stream by visiting <https://www.stchadscathedral.org.uk> and pray for your priests and bishops on this special day. We pray also for those who will receive the Sacraments in the year ahead.

The Sacred Triduum (the three sacred days) begins on **Maundy Thursday** evening when, at evening Mass, we give thanks for the gift of the Priesthood and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Following Holy Communion, we process with the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose where we have the opportunity to 'watch and pray.' Parishioners will come and go during the night. Do play your part in this. The Watch ends with Compline (Night Prayer) at 10.00pm at St Jude's and 11.50pm at St Dunstan's.

On **Good Friday** we stand with Our Lady and St John at the Cross as Our Lord offers himself for the sins of the world. There are the **Children's Stations of the Cross at 10.00am**, the **Solemn Liturgy of the Passion at**

**3pm**, and evening Stations of the Cross with the Seven Last Words at 7pm.

On Good Friday and Holy Saturday, by ancient tradition, the Church never offers Mass. At Morning Prayer at 9.30am we contemplate the mystery of the crucified Lord who 'descended into hell' - meaning the place of the dead - to bring the Good News to the children of Adam who have awaited the coming of the Messiah.

At the end of our Lenten journey, we will gather for Easter Mass in a church full of colour and splendour as we exult in the resurrection of the Lord. *'Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us. Let us celebrate the feast!'*

**Adoration:** Please note there will be no adoration of the Blessed sacrament on the next two Fridays.

**The Easter Garden Installation 2024: Donations of Orchids** are urgently needed by **Palm Sunday weekend and across all of Holy Week.** Kindly place them in the designated space **opposite the piety stall**, along with the name of your loved ones on a marker placed in the pot. This garden installation has become "for those you love". These will fill the entire garden and often last beyond 7 weeks. **You can also buy an orchid** to help fill the garden with colour, perhaps marking a birthday, birth of a child, or a commitment to pray for somebody. Every attempt is made to take special care of your orchids across the 6 weeks of the installation, and they will be returned when the garden is dismantled. **Donations of other potted flowers/plants are no longer needed.** Across the years we have managed to 'grow our own' and they are sufficient to fill the garden for the first time.

**Brass cleaning at St Dunstan's:** This Wednesday March after morning Mass. We have lovely candlesticks and lamps etc that need to shine for Easter. Could you spare a couple of hours?? Cleaning materials provided!

**Good Friday Walk of Witness:** This year the ecumenical service at New Life Baptist Church will be led by St Dunstan's. It starts at 11.15am and is followed by the Walk of Witness at noon, up the High Street to All Saints. Hot cross buns will be served afterwards. Volunteers to help with stewarding, or reading during the service, would be appreciated. Contact Deacon David at [fairbo28@gmail.com](mailto:fairbo28@gmail.com) or 07948379545.

**On Good Friday, all those 14-59 who are otherwise fit and well are asked to fast.** This means eating only one normal meal without meat, sugar or alcohol and up to two smaller healthy snacks which together are less than a normal meal. We go hungry to express out hunger for Christ.

**Church Stewards:** We have a great team of stewards at both our churches who do a valuable job welcoming people to church. We could do with a few more stewards, particularly at St Dunstan's to remind people about entering their registration number into the car parking tablet. If you can help, please let Fr John know.

**Life-Teen UK Summer Camp** at Alton Castle, Staffordshire (Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July): Fr Toby has managed to secure 10 very sought-after places for young people of our parish/school community to make use of. This summer camp is an annual event run by our own diocesan youth service, The Kenelm Youth Trust, teamed up with Life-Teen (a US based Catholic Youth Organisation). This summer camp is for young people aged 12-18 from across the whole country. It involves a whole lot of fun (think a day-trip to Alton Towers, Rock-climbing, abseiling, mountain biking, archery etc.), some solid catechesis from dynamic speakers, daily Mass, Adoration, Praise and Worship, Prayer School, and above all the opportunity to pray and have fun with other young people beyond the Parish.

The full cost of this camp is £275 staying in a Castle Dormitory, or £195 for those wanting to Camp (including transport). We would like to subsidise this cost both from existing Youth Club Funds and from some fundraising in the near future. But for now, to secure your place could you book via the Parish Office with a name, contact number and a £50 deposit per person ASAP.

**Legion of Mary** meet Saturday mornings at St Dunstan's in the Conference Room at 9.30am (Holy Saturday at 10.00am) and Monday evenings at St Jude's in church at 6pm.

**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** continues but at 14 Forest Rd, Moseley, on Wednesday at 12noon.

**Message from Bishop Challoner:** This academic year is our Year of Challoner, to commemorate our Platinum Jubilee year. We will be holding a celebration event on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April 4.00pm-6.30pm. There will be an opportunity to visit our Spring Fair, take part in activities organised by our pupils and take a tour of the school, including all subject areas. It would be lovely to see as many of you as possible with friends and family.

**Archdiocese of Birmingham Job Vacancies. Administration Support Officer for Safeguarding Team:** Permanent/Full-time (35 hours per week), salary range £21,000 to £25,000 fte p.a. plus benefits, hybrid remote working.

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## COLLECTIONS:

	St Dunstan's	St Jude's
<b>Gift Aid:</b>	£474.20	£102.00
<b>Non-Gift Aid:</b>	£734.27	£150.57
<b>Fabric Fund:</b>	£596.47	£188.82
<b>Contactless:</b>	£120.00	
<b>QR Code:</b>	£ 50.00	



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There will be a **collection on Friday for Holy Places, and next Sunday for the Priest's Easter Offering.**

## SOCIAL EVENTS

### **Children's Easter Egg Hunt** **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April at 11.30am**

In the Conference Room and Presbytery Garden. Suitable for children aged up to 11. Entrance is free but the Easter bunny will need to know how many Easter eggs to bring, so if your child would like to come, **please put their name on the list in church by today.**

### **'Sister Act' film night** **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April from 6.15pm**

In the Parish Social Centre! (Next to St Dunstan's Church). Doors will open at 6.15pm following the evening Mass, and the film starts at 7.30pm. **Free entry.** There will be a bring and share table and the bar will be open for drinks. Fr John has offered to buy parishioners a drink as a thank you for your support in the Parish.

Fancy dress is encouraged and there will be a prize for the best Sister Act film themed fancy-dress outfit!

### **Real Ale and Cider Festival** **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May from 12 noon until 10.00pm**

We are excited to host our first Real Ale and Cider Festival at St Dunstan's Social Centre and top car park! As well as a selection of drinks to choose from, there will be food and entertainment throughout the day and evening for all the family.

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.

*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.*