





The Parishes of St Dunstan and St Jude

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Sunday 11th February – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 10 th	St Scholastica	11.00am	Holy Mass with the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick	Celia Cummins
		11.30am-12.30pm	Exposition of the Ble	ssed 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	People of the Parish
		5.30pm	Vigil Mass	Helen Hunt (RIP)
Sun 11 th	SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.15am (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	Hilda Walsh (RIP)
		10.30am	Holy Mass with Children's Liturgy	Bridie O'Shea (RIP)
		12noon	Holy Mass	Mr Cunningham
		6.30pm	Holy Mass	Dermot and Julia Murphy
Mon 12 th	Feria	9.30am	Holy Mass followed by the Rosary	Stephen Potter (RIP Anni.)
Tues 13 th	Feria	9.30am (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	Bernard Shiel
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	Mark Arrand (RIP)
Wed 14 th	ASH WEDNESDAY	9.30am	Holy Mass	Anjoel Roy (Thanksgiving)
		12 noon (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	Frank Kelly (Special Ints.)
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	Christy Daly (RIP)
Thurs 15 th	Thursday after Ash Wednesday	6.45am	Holy Mass	Amy and Dan Ingleby
		11.00am	Holy Mass	Irene Collins (Special Ints.)
Fri 16 th	Friday after Ash Wednesday	9.30am followed by adoration until evening Mass	Holy Mass	Esther Murphy (Ints.)
		6.15pm – 6.45pm	Confessions	
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	Aime and Eugene Deveney

Mass Intentions for next weekend: St Dunstan's: Saturday 11.00am Bertie Roddy (RIP), 5.30pm James King, Sunday 10.30am Noel Stanley (RIP 1st Anni.), 12 noon Kathleen Garrett (RIP Anni.), 6.30pm Sue Blake. **St Jude's:** Saturday 4pm People of the Parish, Sunday 9.15am Ina Glennon (RIP).

We pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently Denise Stanley, Helena Lazarz, John Collins, Christopher Crotty, John "Sean" Nash (Requiem Mass on Wednesday 21st February at 1pm), Marie Chatten (Requiem Mass on Wednesday 28th February at 11.00am at St Dunstan's Church), Hannah Harman (Requiem Mass on Monday 4th March at 11.00am at St Jude's Church), and Mary O'Connor (Requiem Mass on Thursday 7th March at 11.00am at St Dunstan's Church).

We pray also for those who anniversaries occur in February: 2nd Eddie Kelly, Mary Ann Kelly (1966), 5th Lizzie Joyce, 6th Eileen Dixon, 7th Sr Gemma Velleringhattu, Kuriakose Chirappurayidom, V M Kuriakose, 10th Hilda May Walsh (2015), 14th Amy May Siviter (1977), 15th Denis Drew (2016), 17th Noel Stanley (1st Anniversary), Margaret O'Sullivan, 19th Rhys Jones (2011), 20th Lionel Joseph Plettell, 22nd Ann O'Sullivan (3rd Anniversary), Joan Kathleen Greer (2002), Ernest St John McElwee (1978), Margaret Morrissy (2013), Catherine Peyton (2001).

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

Welcome to Mass! Today we welcome Archbishop Bernard Longley to the parishes of St Dunstan's and St Jude's for the Visitation. Hopefully there will be opportunity for all to meet him during this time, whether at the meeting on Saturday evening or after Masses over the weekend. The Visitation – though rare for us – is something that the Archbishop does frequently throughout the year as chief shepherd of the Diocese. Do remember Archbishop Bernard regularly in your prayers as he leads, through God's grace, the Diocese entrusted to him as a successor of the apostles.

One purpose of the Visitation to our Parish is to ponder the Diocesan vision as the Diocese moves forward into the future and what that will mean for the Catholic community in our Parishes. The Diocesan vision holds four elements:

- Evangelisation as individuals and as parish to be bearers of the Good News of Christ's gospel.
- Formation how the parish can help us all to deepen our understanding of the faith and therefore our personal relationship with God, and to grow leaders in our churches, schools and families through spiritual and pastoral formation.
- Liturgy and Worship invigorating and deepening our worship and sacramental celebrations. Encouraging ourselves and others in our life of prayer.
- Social Outreach building up the common good through charitable outreach in the giving of our time, our resources and our love to those who need it most. Inviting others to join us in charitable work.

A big thank you from Fr John for all the cards, gifts and celebration of his birthday. He really appreciates everybody's kindness.

If you have a relative in hospital and they would like a visit from a priest, could you please either let the ward staff know, or contact the Parish Office, and we will make sure they are visited. Generally, this will be by the Hospital Chaplain rather than the Parish Clergy, especially when the hospital is outside of the Parish boundary.

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

This Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent. As is the long-standing tradition of the Church, Ash Wednesday is a day of penance of fasting and abstinence from meat for all aged between and 14-59 and a day of abstinence from meat for all aged 14 plus.

The sacramental of receiving of ashes on this day is a traditionally biblical one, and it is given to prompt our hearts in penitence for sin and to be faithful to the gospel we have received. As such, it replaces the penitential rite at the beginning of Mass, and places it after we have heard the words of scripture in the liturgy of the word when St Paul urges us: 'be reconciled to God.' Ash Wednesday marks the time that we can fulfil one of the Easter duties in going to confession. Please make sure that this is a feature of your Lent – even if you haven't been for a long time – *Be reconciled to God.*

A Lenten Proposal – Fr Toby is ready to journey with a group of adult parishioners that want to go on a deeper journey of personally encountering the Lord Jesus this Lent. This is an adventure inspired by the first stage of the Spiritual Exercises of St Ignatius of Loyola. It involves a commitment to daily prayer (at least 30-60mins a day for 5 days a week) and typically concludes with a wholelife General Confession (if desired, and with any priest of your choosing) whereby the one who brings the totality of their sinfulness and brokenness is met by the even greater all-embracing mercy of God. If you think you might be interested and would like to hear more, please come along to the Conference Room this Tuesday at 6.00pm. Each step of the journey will then be introduced weekly each Tuesday evening at 6.00pm throughout Lent (beginning Tuesday 20th February)

Lent Groups for 2024: Churches Together invite you to join an ecumenical group to chat and pray with Christians from local churches. This year we are following a York Course called On the Third Day. "How can we re-capture the explosive power of the resurrection that ricocheted around the world? How can we live in the glow of resurrection and be an Easter people? How can 'there and then' become 'here and now'? That's what the On the Third Day course sets out to explore and discuss."

Five-week courses start: Monday 19th February, 11.00am, at All Saints Church; Tuesday 20th February, 8.00pm, On-line led by New Life Baptist

Church; Wednesday 21st February, 10.30am, at New Life Baptist Church; Thursday 22nd February, 12.15pm, in St. Dunstan's Conference Room. Contact Deacon David to confirm your place by Sunday 11th February on 07948379545 or email fairbo28@gmail.com

CAFOD Lent Fast Day is on Friday 23rd February. There will be a Lenten soup lunch in the Conference Room, and you could also join the Big Lent Walk and raise money to help people as they overcome poverty. Every £1 raised through the Big Lent Walk will help fight poverty globally in countries like Afghanistan, Colombia, the Democratic Republic of the Congo and South Sudan. This year CAFOD's Lent Appeal is helping fishing communities feed their families in Liberia. To find out more, or to sign up, please visit www.walk.cafod.org.uk

Thank you to everybody who has signed up for Gift Aid. As we are approaching a new tax year, if you would like to sign up for Gift, we can help you with this. There is a simple form to complete, and you can either have a box of envelopes or donate by Standing Order. Also, there may be people who have had a change of circumstances over the last year or two and are no longer able to Gift Aid your donations. please contact Dawn in the Parish Office by emailing ga.stdunstan.bham@rcaob.org.uk, and with your name, address and telephone number.

Youth Group on Sunday 25th February: They will begin 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.

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.

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.

Walsingham Pilgrimage Friday 31st May – Sunday 2nd June. £265 per person for an en-suite room. This includes transport and accommodation with breakfast and dinner. To secure your place, a non-refundable deposit of £30 is required ASAP. The balance must be paid by Friday 15th May 2024. Payments are by cash or cheque (cheques payable to 'St Dunstan's Church'), placed in an envelope marked 'Walsingham'. Please include your name, address, and contact number and hand in to the presbytery. Please let Isabel (07758004306) know if you have any special requirements e.g. diet or mobility, or if you require more information.

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.

ST DUNSTAN'S CAR PARK

- Please park in designated car parking spaces only, not on kerbs or paving, in front of the garages, or in front of the funeral gate.
- There are two tablets in church for those attending church only, where for people attending any Mass or adoration on a Friday, you must enter your full vehicle registration when you arrive (this must be within 20minutes of entering the Car Park), and you will be allowed to park for free while attending Mass or Adoration up to a maximum period of 2 ½ hours. If you are dropping somebody off in church and risk going over the 20 minutes, we strongly advise you to enter your registration number into the tablet.
- Parking for Sunday morning Masses will be free until 2pm without the need to enter your registration number into the tablet. You must enter your registration number for Sunday evening Mass.
- Please note that the running of the car park is managed by a third party and all appeals/voiding of fines must be made through them directly. Details can be found on the reverse of all Parking Charge Notices.

8 Day Pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi, San Giovanni 8th – 15th October: Rome, Assisi and San Giovanni have something to offer everyone. Starting off in Rome – experience the General Papal audience with Pope Francis (given he is in residence). Also, a guided visit to see the four major Basilicas of Rome. Move on to a historical city pervaded by the spirit of St. Francis, viewing the Basilica of St Francis and his tomb. The pilgrimage finishes in San Giovanni to see the Shrine of Padre Pio, his cell and where he said Mass.

From £1,797 per person, half board, if booked by the 16th February.

To book, visit www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/RS0924/

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 10.30am and 6.30pm Masses on Sunday 11th February and after the 12 noon Mass on Sunday 3rd March.

There is also a Ceili night at St. Anne's Parish Centre, Digbeth on Friday 23rd February from 7.30pm. Tickets £8, which can be bought at the following link: https://www.trybooking.com/uk/events/landing/5402 0? or email t.rowan@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk

MASS TODAY

COLLECT

O God, who teach us that you abide in hearts that are just and true, grant that we may be so fashioned by your grace as to become a dwelling pleasing to you.

A reading from the book of Leviticus (13:1-2,44-46).

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons.

'The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean." As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart: he must live outside the camp.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (94(95): 1-2,6-9)

R: You are my refuge, O Lord; you fill me with the joy of salvation.

Happy the man whose offence is forgiven, whose sin is remitted.

O happy the man to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, in whose spirit is no guile. *R*:

But now I have acknowledged my sins; my guilt I did not hide. I said: 'I will confess my offence to the Lord.' And you, Lord, have forgiven the guilt of my sin. *R*:

Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord, exult, you just!
O come, ring out your joy, all you upright of heart. *R*:

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians (10:31-11:1)

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone – to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved. Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. **Alleluia!**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark (1:40-45).

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May this oblation, O Lord, we pray, cleanse and renew us and may it become for those who do your will the source of eternal reward.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Having fed upon these heavenly delights, we pray, O Lord, so that we may always long for that food by which we truly live.

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There will be a **second collection next weekend** for the **Fabric Fund**.

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