

The Parish of St Dunstan and St Jude

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Sat 16 th	<i>Feria</i>	11.00am 5.30pm	Holy Mass Vigil Mass	Brian McDaid (RIP) Anthony Greene
Sun 17 th	SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.15am (<i>St Jude's</i>) 10.30am 12noon 6.30pm	Holy Mass Holy Mass Holy Mass Holy Mass	Maura Watson Anthony Morrissy (RIP) Joseph Power Olga Faye
Mon 18 th	<i>Feria</i>	9.30am	Holy Mass	John Brien (RIP)
Tues 19 th	<i>St Wulstan</i>	No morning Mass at <i>St Jude's</i> 7.00pm	Holy Mass	Miguel Camelo (RIP)
Wed 20 th	<i>Feria</i>	9.30am	Holy Mass	Billy Morrissy (RIP)
Thurs 21 st	<i>St Agnes</i>	7.00pm	Holy Mass	Miss McGlynn (Ints.)
Fri 22 nd	<i>Feria</i>	9.30am 7.00pm	Holy Mass Holy Mass	Mary Cloherty (RIP) Kathleen Henry (Ints.)
Sat 23 rd	<i>Feria</i>	11.00am	Holy Mass	Phil Connoly and Pro Populo
		11.30am-1pm	<i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	
		11.30am-12.30pm 4.45-5.15pm 5.30pm	Confessions Confessions Vigil Mass	Jim and Ann Connoly
Sun 24 th	THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.15am (<i>St Jude's</i>) 10.30am 12 noon 6.30pm	Holy Mass Holy Mass Holy Mass Holy Mass	Ellen Longe (RIP) Jim and Anglo Connoly Maura Coughlan Margaret Murphy

WELCOME TO MASS. Please take note of the guidance below to ensure that we make each other as safe as possible. We remember in our prayers those who are not with us due to illness or because they are isolating. They are very much part of the prayers and the sacrifice we offer today.

The Financial Year for the parish ended on the 31st December. The financial report is now being compiled for the diocese and will be presented to you in due course. As has been the case for a number of households and businesses, the parish has had to face a number of challenges we hadn't foreseen! Thank you for your generous support through the collections in our churches, Thank you also to those unable to be at Mass but who sent offerings by direct debit or standing orders, through the mail or posting through the presbytery door - especially during periods of lockdown. Thanks also to those who, week by week, have been helping with the counting, recording and banking.

Following the Prime Ministers most recent statement and the announcement of a nationwide lockdown it was a great relief that public celebrations of the Mass will continue. The situation will be closely monitored in the coming days and weeks. We are all grateful for the hard work and dedication of our stewards and cleaners who play their part in making Mass as safe as possible. As the virus is very prevalent among the wider community please make sure you keep the following in mind:

- Please use hand sanitizer when arriving and leaving.
- Wear face coverings in church unless age (younger children) or medical conditions preclude this.
- Keep social distance at all times – especially being mindful when moving about for Holy Communion or leaving church.
- Please follow the one-way system around church.
- If you will not be receiving holy communion or coming forward for a blessing mention this to a steward and they will find you a seat where you won't block others in.
- Do not leave newsletters you have used in church, but always take them home with you.
- Remove face covering immediately before receiving Holy Communion in the hand, and replace after receiving the Sacred Host.
- Do not gather in groups outside church with those outside your 'bubble' for conversation without keeping a good distance.

Some of these – especially the way of receiving Holy Communion and wearing face coverings – a few have found onerous. Nevertheless it is a price worth paying for the continuation of public worship.

A huge and very heartfelt thank you to the kind and generous members of St Dunstan's and St Jude's Parish who supported our venture to supply the makings of a Christmas dinner to families who are finding things difficult during these present times. Because of your wonderful generosity we were able to make up 112 hampers containing: turkey, potatoes, carrots, peas, stuffing, gravy, mince pies, tinned fruit, Chocolate Fingers, Jammie Dodger biscuits and chocolates. However awful 2020 may have been, you have made a difference in our little corner of the world.

Crib Offerings will this year be going to 'Let the Children Live'. This charity, founded from Our Lady's Shrine at Walsingham, provides accommodation and education for street children in Columbia, working to draw them away from lives of drug trafficking and prostitution. You can look at what they do on letthechildrenlive.org

Holy Communion to the Sick and Housebound.

Once again it would regrettably seem sensible to pause with sick and home communions during this special national effort to get the infection rate down. Hopefully some of our more elderly or frail parishioners will soon be receiving the vaccine which will make this ministry easier and safer. The sacraments for the dying are, of course, available at need.

Queen Elizabeth and Birmingham Women's Hospitals and St Mary's Hospice. Following Fr Charles' departure there is no full-time chaplain at these places.

Therefore, with regard to the sacraments, if you know that you (or a family member or friend in the parish) will be going to hospital, it is important to have confession, the anointing of the sick and holy communion from one of the priests here before you/they go in to hospital as It will often not be available during your stay. Just have a word after Mass or ring or email the presbytery. This problem has been somewhat exacerbated by the pandemic as no casual visits by family or clergy are permitted - and then only on very specific grounds – to try and reduce the danger of infection to patients. There is a cover rota provided by priests around the area. This is for emergency use only when there is danger of death. Such visits are arranged from the hospital so that the priest on call will be allowed admission.

For reference - it's worth remembering that the sacraments should be received when a person is conscious and able to participate as much as possible. This is essential for holy communion - *and viaticum or 'last holy communion' (not anointing) is the sacrament of the dying* – along with confession.

Sadly a number of people think they need to wait until it is often too late. So if we can remember – and teach others – that such things should be done, when circumstances permit, with plenty of time.

Government restrictions for funerals stipulate a maximum of 30 attending.

We pray for those who have died recently: Michael Butler, Ena Cole, Margaret Hooper, Fr Pat Joyce, Philip Green and Peter Bartram.

Sacrament of Baptism: The Government Task Force which issues advice and instructions to places of worship during the pandemic has said that celebrations of baptism (*apart from those in periculo mortis*) are to be deferred to a later date. For parents who had booked a baptism we will announce in the newsletter when this restriction is lifted. As things change so fast, the wisest thing when this happens will be to jump in as soon as possible!

Confessions are at the normal advertised times. Social distancing means using the side chapel at St Dunstan's. **Please keep the time spent in the confessional to a minimum (5 minutes max) to both make it as safe as possible, and so that others have opportunity for the celebration of this sacrament.**

Church Cleaning will take place on Wednesday after Mass. If you can help you will be very welcome.

Please note that the toilets are presently closed due to COVID regulations, and the side chapel will be out of bounds apart from for Confession.

Weekly offerings can be placed in the baskets in church during Mass, or posted through the Presbytery letterbox. Please place offerings in either the usual Gift Aid envelopes or a plain envelope marked 'St Dunstan' or 'St Jude'. Standing orders are also a great way of giving.

Stories by SIFA Fireside is a short collection of treasured memories about sr Sabina has been recorded on a CD.

A special webpage has been dedicated to Sister Sabina with the audio from the CD available to listen to: website <https://www.sifafireside.co.uk/pages/266-in-loving-memory-of-sister-sabina>
Alternatively, there are a limited number of CD's available from the presbytery office.

COLLECTIONS		
	St Dunstan's	St Jude's
Gift Aid	£ 607.00	£ 39.20
Non-Gift Aid	£ 431.54	£ 101.30
December Standing Orders	£1,322.00	£ 177.00

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.

THE ANGELUS

The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.
And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary...

Behold the handmaid of the Lord.
Let it be done to me according to thy word.

Hail Mary....

And the Word was made flesh.
And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary...

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.
That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray. **Pour forth, we beseech thee O Lord, thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the incarnation of Christ thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, may by his + Passion and Cross be brought into the glory of his Resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen**

The Parish Office will be open from 9.00am until 5.00pm on Wednesday and Friday each week. In order to minimise the number of people in the office and for the safety of those at work, until further notice we ask you to observe the following:

If you need to see the Parish Administrator or one of the Priests: we would ask that you phone or email in advance, so that an appointment can be arranged at a convenient time for both. You will not be invited in the office unless you have a re-arranged appointment.

If you have an enquiry: please phone or email first to see if it can be sorted in this way.

For those wishing to book Mass intentions: please bring a sealed envelope clearly labelled with the intention details (person's name, required date etc) and include the offering inside. This can then be handed in at the office and if requested a Mass card be signed and given.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY MASS

FIRST READING

Samuel 3:3-10, 19

Samuel was lying in the sanctuary of the Lord, where the ark of God was, when the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' He answered, 'Here I am.' Then he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli said, 'I did not call. Go back and lie down.' So he went and lay down. Once again the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' He replied, 'I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down.' Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. Once again the Lord called, the third time. He got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, 'Go and lie down, and if someone calls say, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

The Lord then came and stood by, calling as he had done before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel answered, 'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.'

Samuel grew up and the Lord was with him and let no word of his fall to the ground.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**R: Here I am Lord!
I come to do your will.**

I waited, I waited for the Lord
and he stooped down to me.
He heard my cry
He put a new song into my mouth,
praise of our God. **R.**

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings,
but an open ear.
You do not ask for holocaust and victim.
Instead, here I am. **R.**

In the scroll of the book it stands written
that I should do your will.
My God, I delight in your law
in the depth of my heart. **R.**

Your justice I have proclaimed
in the great assembly.
My lips I have not sealed;
you know it, O Lord. **R.**

SECOND READING

Corinthians 6:13-15, 17-20

The body is not meant for fornication: it is for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. God, who raised the Lord from the dead, will by his power raise us up too.

You know, surely, that your bodies are members making up the body of Christ; do you think I can take parts of Christ's body and join them to the body of a prostitute? Never! But anyone who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him.

Keep away from fornication. All the other sins are committed outside the body; but to fornicate is to sin against your own body. Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you since you received him from God. You are not your own property; you have been bought and paid for. That is why you should use your body for the glory of God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL READING

John 1:35-42

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John stared hard at him and said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God.' Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus. Jesus turned round, saw them following and said, 'What do you want?' They answered, 'Rabbi,' – which means Teacher – 'where do you live?' 'Come and see' he replied; so they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him the rest of that day. It was about the tenth hour.

One of these two who became followers of Jesus after hearing what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' – which means the Christ – and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John; you are to be called Cephas' – meaning Rock.