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The Parishes of St Dunstan and St Jude



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Sunday 12th May – The Seventh Sunday of Easter

Sat 11 th	<i>Easter Feria</i>	11.00am	Holy Mass	Hughie McCarron
		<i>11.30am-12.30pm</i>	<i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	
		<i>11.30am-12.30pm and 4.45pm-5.15pm</i>	<i>Confessions at St Dunstan's</i>	
		<i>3.30pm -3.55pm</i>	<i>Confessions at St Jude's</i>	
		4.00pm (St Jude's)	Vigil Mass	People of the Parish
Sun 12 th	SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	5.30pm	Vigil Mass	David Wood (RIP)
		9.15am (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	The Landi family
		10.30am with Children's Liturgy	Holy Mass	Edward Jena (RIP Anni.)
		12noon	Holy Mass	Marie Chatten (RIP)
		6.30pm	Holy Mass	Mitzijell Lakandvla (Birthday Ints.)
Mon 13 th	<i>Our Lady of Fatima</i>	9.30am	Holy Mass followed by the Rosary	Persecuted Priests
Tues 14 th	<i>St Matthias</i>	9.30am (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	James Durkin
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	Patrick Fenessey (RIP)
Wed 15 th	<i>Easter Feria</i>	9.30am	Holy Mass	Abraham Mathai (RIP Anni.)
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	Paddy Fahey (RIP)
Thurs 16 th	<i>Easter Feria</i>	9.30am (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	Helen Hayden
		11.30am	Holy Mass	Deceased members of O'Leary and Carew families
Fri 17 th	<i>Easter Feria</i>	9.30am	Holy Mass followed by Adoration until evening Mass.	Mick Maher (RIP)
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	Mary Collins (RIP)

Mass Intentions for next weekend: St Dunstan's: Saturday 11.00am John Connolly (RIP Anni.), 5.30pm Concepta Tracey, Sunday 10.30am Joseph Swaba, 12 noon Jack McHale (RIP), 6.30pm Newell family. **St Jude's:** Saturday 4pm People of the Parish, Sunday 9.15am Tomás and Maura Donohoe (RIP).

We pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently: Kathleen O'Neil, David Hayde, Kathryn Nesbitt, Patrick Harman and Mary Saunders.

We pray also for those who anniversaries occur in May: Bill Johnson, Patricia McTernon, Maura Richardson, Tomas Donohoe, Eamon Ruane, Mary Hare, Joseph McTernon, Kitty Goldberg, Kathleen Kelly, Hyacinth Plettell, Nora Kelly, John Ward, Anne Evans, Edward Jena, Eugene Lynch, John Connolly, Willie Newell, Mary O'Sullivan and Carmel Elmes.

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

Welcome to Mass on this Seventh Sunday of Easter. Last Thursday, we celebrated the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord. Even though it was a moment of parting – that the disciples would never see the Lord's face again in this world, they went back to Jerusalem rejoicing as the Lord had promised the gift of the Advocate, the Holy Spirit. They gather together to wait and pray along with Mary the Mother of the Lord. The coming of the Holy Spirit wasn't a once in a lifetime thing, the Holy Spirit is here to stay, guiding, leading and inspiring the Church. We pray that the Church in our day may be open to the promptings of the Spirit, enabling her to proclaim the gospel, in our own age, with clarity and fervour.

We welcome to our Parish family Grace Foley and Amelia O'Sullivan who were Baptised at St Dunstan's last weekend, and Bertie Tyndall who was Baptised at St Jude's.

Legion of Mary: The adult Legion of Mary meet at 9.30am on Saturday mornings in St Dunstan's Conference Room, and Monday evenings at 6.15pm in St Jude's church. There are plans to start the Junior Legion of Mary at both churches. We have Auxiliary Members who support the work with their prayers each day. **A recruitment drive is being held at St Jude's Church this weekend.** We are appealing for adults, both active and auxiliary, children, and young people, to join us in our work which is visiting the sick, bereaved, elderly, encouraging the lapsed Catholics to return, evangelising, and encouraging others in their faith. Anybody who is interested, please contact Maria Lynch on 07800 563 352.

Legion of Mary Monthly Discussion Group - known as the Patricians – will start on Wednesday 22nd May at 7.45pm in the Conference Room. Its aim is to help deepen our faith and gain confidence in discussing our faith with others. The first topic for discussion is "Why bother with Confession?" All are welcome.

St Dunstan's Feast Day is on Sunday 19th May. This year, it is Pentecost so we will be celebrating the Feast of St Dunstan's at the 11am Mass on Saturday followed by refreshments in the Conference Room. All are 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.

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.

May Devotions will be prayed on the Friday evenings during May, from 6.15pm – 6.45pm at St Dunstan's.

The next **Men's Rosary in the City** will be on Saturday 25th May at 12 noon in Victoria Square (Birmingham City Centre). During this month of the Rosary, Archbishop Bernard Longley will also be joining those who gather. There are leaflets about the initiative at the back of both churches.

Parish Tote: 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 first draw will take place on Monday 3rd 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 10th June.

You can play weekly or occasionally using the brown envelopes in both churches. Choose how many games you would like to play, how many weeks you would like to play for, choose your numbers and place your money inside the envelope. If you would like to pay by Direct Debit rather than pay weekly, please contact Dawn in the Parish office and she will send you the information you need.

We are looking for parishioners 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 Helen Preece or Dawn and we will provide everything you will need.

There is a Vacancy for a Class Teacher at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School, currently open to those interested in teaching in either KS1 or KS2, with possible TLR payments for the right candidate. The post is a full-time permanent contract for September 2024, open to NQTs right up to the most experienced teachers on UPS3. More details on the school website at: <https://www.ourladyoflourdesprimary.com>



COLLECTIONS:

	St Dunstan's	St Jude's
Gift Aid:	£395.50	£124.30
Non-Gift Aid:	£648.19	£249.39
Sudan:	£744.04	£270.05
Contactless:	£ 79.00	
QR:	£ 20.00	



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There is a second collection this weekend for Catholic Communications.

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 or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.



Real Ale and Cider Festival: We are looking for a couple more 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.

Tickets for the Real Ale and Cider Festival are available to buy after this Masses this weekend. We have some great entertainment lined up for adults and children. Come and join us for a fun day!

8 Day Pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi, San Giovanni 8th – 15th October: See a vast wealth of religious shrines, ancient and beautiful architecture, Renaissance exhibitions, exquisite food and good wine. Rome, Assisi and San Giovanni have something to offer everyone. Starting off in Rome – experience the General Papal audience with Pope Francis (if 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 Friday 31st May.**

READINGS FOR SUNDAY MASS

COLLECT

Graciously hear our supplications, O Lord, so that we, who believe that the Saviour of the human race is with you in your glory, may experience, as he promised, until the end of the world, his abiding presence among us.

FIRST READING

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26

One day Peter stood up to speak to the brothers – there were about a hundred and twenty persons in the congregation: ‘Brothers, the passage of scripture had to be fulfilled in which the Holy Spirit, speaking through David, foretells the fate of Judas, who offered himself as a guide to the men who arrested Jesus – after having been one of our number and actually sharing this ministry of ours. Now in the Book of Psalms it says: Let someone else take his office.

‘We must therefore choose someone who has been with us the whole time that the Lord Jesus was travelling round with us, someone who was with us right from the time when John was baptising until the day when he was taken up from us – and he can act with us as a witness to his resurrection.’

Having nominated two candidates, Joseph known as Barsabbas, whose surname was Justus, and Matthias, they prayed, ‘Lord, you can read everyone’s heart; show us therefore which of these two you have chosen to take over this ministry and apostolate, which Judas abandoned to go to his proper place.’ They then drew lots for them, and as the lot fell to Matthias, he was listed as one of the twelve apostles.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R: The Lord has set his sway in heaven.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings. **R:**

For as the heavens are high above the earth
so strong is his love for those who fear him.
As far as the east is from the west
so far does he remove our sins. **R:**

The Lord has set his sway in heaven
and his kingdom is ruling over all.
Give thanks to the Lord, all his angels,
mighty in power, fulfilling his word. **R:**

SECOND READING

1 John 4:11-16

My dear people, since God has loved us so much, we too should love one another. No one has ever seen God; but as long as we love one another God will live in us and his love will be complete in us. We can know that we are living in him and he is living in us because he lets us share his Spirit. We ourselves saw and we testify that the Father sent his Son as saviour of the world. If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in him, and he in God. We ourselves have known and put our faith in God’s love towards ourselves. God is love and anyone who lives in love lives in God, and God lives in him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord;
I will come back to you,
and your hearts will be full of joy.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL READING

John 15:9-17

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said:

‘Holy Father, keep those you have given me true to your name, so that they may be one like us. While I was with them, I kept those you had given me true to your name. I have watched over them and not one is lost except the one who chose to be lost, and this was to fulfil the scriptures. But now I am coming to you and while still in the world I say these things to share my joy with them to the full. I passed your word on to them, and the world hated them, because they belong to the world no more than I belong to the world. I am not asking you to remove them from the world, but to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world. Consecrate them in the truth; your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world, and for their sake I consecrate myself so that they too may be consecrated in truth.’

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Hear us, O God our Saviour, and grant us confidence, that through these sacred mysteries there will be accomplished in the body of the whole Church what has already come to pass in Christ her Head.