

The Parish of St Dunstan and St Jude

Easter Sunday

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Sat 3 rd	HOLY SATURDAY	9.30am	Office of Readings and Morning Prayer	
		8.00pm	Vigil and First Mass of Easter	Martin Lynch (RIP) John Tehan
Sun 4 th	EASTER SUNDAY	9.15am (<i>St Jude's</i>)	Holy Mass	Deceased members of Carney family
		10.30am (<i>St Jude's</i>)	Holy Mass	Pro Populo
		10.30am	Holy Mass	Teresa Seales and Elijah Blake
		12noon	Holy Mass	Larkin, McLaughlin and Rogers families
		6.30pm	Holy Mass	Denis and Chris Sexton
Mon 5 th	<i>Easter Monday</i>	11.00am	Holy Mass	Ann Dooley (nee Slattery)(Anni.)
Tues 6 th	<i>Easter Tuesday</i>	11.00am (<i>St Jude's</i>)	Requiem Mass	Elizabeth Brown (RIP)
		11.00am	Holy Mass	Kathleen Byrne (RIP Anni)
Wed 7 th	<i>Easter Wednesday</i>	11.00am	Holy Mass	Fabienne Wright (RIP)
Thurs 8 th	<i>Easter Thursday</i>	11.00am	Holy Mass	Mary Jones (RIP)
Fri 9 th	<i>Easter Friday</i>	9.30am	Requiem Mass	Peggy Ensor (RIP)
		11.00am	Holy Mass	Eileen Stephens (RIP)
Sat 10 th	<i>Easter Feria</i>	11.00am	Holy Mass	Phelan McCaffery (RIP) Pro Populo
		11.30am-1.00pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
		11.30am-12.30pm 4.45-5.15pm	Confessions Confessions	
		5.30pm	Vigil Mass	Elaine Prunty (RIP)
Sun 11 th	SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER	9.15am (<i>St Jude's</i>)	Holy Mass	Mary Jones (RIP)
		10.30am	Holy Mass	Deceased members of the Darcy, Mannion, Feery and Stanley families
		12 noon	Holy Mass	Jimmy Murphy (RIP)
		3.00pm	Divine Mercy devotion and Benediction	
		6.30pm	Holy Mass	Maureen Cody (Ints.)

**Fr Philip, Fr John,
Deacon David and Sr Catherine
wish you all a very Happy and
Holy Easter!**



WELCOME TO MASS on this the greatest of all Christian feasts. Over the last forty days we have observed the Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Now we celebrate the victory of Christ over sin and death, a season which lasts for fifty days. Each day of this week is an 'Easter Day', and in Holy Mass Jesus Christ our crucified and risen Lord is made known to us and greets us.

We are an Easter people, and Alleluia is our song!

In place of the Angelus during the Easter season we would usually sing the Regina Caeli. As congregational singing isn't yet allowed under the regulations, we will say it together before Sunday Mass.

**Regina caeli, Laetare, alleluia.
Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia.
Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia.
Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.**

Rejoice and be glad, O virgin Mary, alleluia.

For the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia.

Let us pray.

O God, who has brought joy to the world through the resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Grant, we beseech you, that through his Mother the Virgin Mary, we may be brought to the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Next Sunday is the Octave Day of Easter, and the Feast of Divine Mercy. There will be the chaplet of Divine Mercy followed by Benediction at St Dunstan's next Sunday at 3pm.

Thank you to all our Stewards who have committed themselves so wonderfully to helping the liturgies of Holy Week to run so smoothly. Thanks also to those who have cleaned our churches and made them look so resplendent so that they are worthy places for the celebration of the paschal mysteries. Thanks also to the servers for helping through the simplified paschal rites, and for Godfrey for playing the organ, and Martin for volunteering to sing some of the ancient chants of Holy Week and Easter to assist us in our worship.

Whilst at 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 illness or because they are isolating. They are very much part of the prayers and the sacrifice we offer today.

- 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.

If, during Lent, you have been collecting items at home for the SVP feeding programmes at the schools and Manningford Hall and would like them collected please phone or text Andy Gudge on 07855 824434 or email him at andygudge@blueyonder.co.uk He'll then arrange collection this week.

We pray for those who have died recently: Eileen Middleton, Mary Coffey, Elizabeth Brown, Derek Coen, Peggy Ensor (Requiem 9th April), Ursula Robins, Mark Woodcock (Requiem 27th April), and Bernadette Johnston.

Bernadette Johnston was the headteacher at St Jude's School.

Queen Elizabeth and Birmingham Women's Hospitals and St Mary's Hospice. If you know that you (or a family member or friend in the parish) will be going to hospital for significant treatment, it is important to have confession with anointing of the sick before you/they go into hospital as these sacraments are not presently readily available during your stay. **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.**

Funerals. A number of families have been concerned about the length of time it now seems to take (often over a month) between a loved one's death and the funeral. It can be an advantage, when arranging a funeral, to have a week for the funeral in mind and then look around at different firms to see what they can do.

Confessions are at the normal advertised times from next weekend. 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.**

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. Standing order forms can be requested from the Parish office.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES. If you didn't pick up your box last weekend from St Dunstan's, could you do so today!

The envelopes for St Jude's have unfortunately been delayed in transit from the suppliers. We are hoping to receive this in the next few days.

Mission/Mill Hill Could all St Dunstan's red mission box holders bring their boxes or use the brown envelope if provided to church on the weekend 10th(evening) and 11th April. I will be at the car park entrance to the church before the start of the Masses. Thank you all for your continued support for the missions.

Bishop Challoner TSA is currently working with around 40 Primary and Secondary schools in the Birmingham area to help new teachers into the profession. Anyone is welcome to join for a free online information event on **Wednesday 28th April at 6pm** or **Thursday 13th May at 5pm** to find out more about the School Direct / PGCE route into this exciting and rewarding profession. See www.bctsa.org for details, or email teachingschool@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk.

COLLECTIONS

	St Dunstan's	St Jude's
Gift Aid	£ 980.48	£ 119.00
Non-Gift Aid	£ 630.98	£ 86.31
March Standing Orders	£1,419.00	£232.00

If you would like a standing order for, please contact the Parish Office.

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.

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.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY MASS

FIRST READING

Acts 10:34,37-43

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

***R: This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad!***

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.
Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.' **R.**

The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.
I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds. **R.**

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in his eyes. **R.**

SECOND READING

Colossians 3:1-4

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

SEQUENCE

Christians, to the Paschal Victim
offer sacrifice and praise.
The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb;
and Christ, the undefiled,
hath sinners to his Father reconciled.

Death with life contended:
combat strangely ended!
Life's own Champion, slain,
yet lives to reign.

Tell us, Mary:
say what thou didst see
upon the way.

The tomb the Living did enclose;
I saw Christ's glory as he rose!
The angels there attesting;
shroud with grave-clothes resting.

Christ, my hope, has risen:
he goes before you into Galilee.
That Christ is truly risen
from the dead we know.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed:
let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL READING

John 20:1-9

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.