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## The Parishes of St Dunstan and St Jude



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### Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April – The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sat 27 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Easter Feria</i>	11.00am	Holy Mass	John McCarron (Ints.)	
		11.30am-12.30pm	<i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i>		
		11.30am-12.30pm and 4.45pm-5.15pm		<i>Confessions at St Dunstan's</i>	
		3.30pm -3.55pm		<i>Confessions at St Jude's</i>	
		4.00pm (St Jude's)	Vigil Mass	People of the Parish	
		5.30pm	Vigil Mass	Jack McHale (RIP)	
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup>	<b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	9.15am (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	Maura Donohoe (RIP 1 <sup>st</sup> Anni.)	
		10.30am with Children's Liturgy	Holy Mass	Cecilia, Joanne and Stanley Enock (Thanksgiving)	
		12noon	Holy Mass	Eileen Kilkenny (RIP Anni.)	
		6.30pm	Holy Mass	Mary Smart (RIP)	
Mon 29 <sup>th</sup>	<b>St Catherine of Sienna</b>	9.30am	Holy Mass with Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, & followed by the Rosary	Marie Chatten (RIP)	
Tues 30 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Easter Feria</i>	9.30am (St Jude's)	Holy Mass	Mena Moran (RIP)	
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	Annette Hughes (Sp Ints.)	
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> May	<i>St Joseph the Worker</i>	9.30am	Holy Mass	Noel Stanley (RIP)	
		7.00pm	Holy Mass	Mark Woodcock (RIP)	
Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<i>St Athanasius</i>	9.30am (St Alban's)	Holy Mass	Con Allen	
		11.30am	Requiem Mass	Catherine Ward	
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<i>Ss Philip and James, Apostles</i>	9.30am	Holy Mass followed by Adoration until evening Mass.	Fr John Peyton (Ints.)	
		7.00pm	Holy Mass with Novena for the Sacred Heart	Daniel Josbin (Thanksgiving)	

**Mass Intentions for next weekend: St Dunstan's:** Saturday 11.00am Patrick Crotty (Special intention), 5.30pm Pat Hardiman (RIP Anni.), Sunday 10.30am Mary Power, 12 noon John O'Connor (RIP), 6.30pm Shiela Peyton.  
**St Jude's:** Saturday 4pm People of the Parish, Sunday 9.15am Michael Steede.

**We pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently:** Kathleen O'Neil, Bernadette Bayliss, Bridie Coughlan, Nora Sheehan, Eugene Devenney, Patrick Harmon, Michael Johnson, and Katheryn Nesbitt.

**We pray also for those who anniversaries occur in April:** Patrick Fitzpatrick (2020), Patrick Rice, Moira Richardson (1996), Martin Holleran (1999), Nora Flynn (1994), Hughie O'Halloran (2000), Nora Joyce (1984), Kelvin Ward (2023), Maeve Crawler (2001), Patrick Rice, Peter Campbell (1977), Charlie Graham, William Scott (1995), Eileen Shortt (1995), V M Devasia, Frederick Oakley (2012), Thomas Byrne, David Power, Joe Cuneen, Theresa Mullen, John Mockler, Fionan Rafferty, Chris Murray, Martin Conway, and Michael O'Looney.

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

### Welcome to Mass on this Fifth Sunday of Eastertide!

**A heartfelt congratulations and an assurance of prayers go to Monsignor Timothy Menezes and Canon Richard Walker who, this week, have both been nominated Auxiliary Bishops-Elect, for service in our Archdiocese.** We are of course very proud to say that Bishop-Elect Tim is a son of this parish. Both of our new bishops-elect will no doubt appreciate our prayers as they prepare for their episcopal ordination and for their new ministry among us.

**CAFOD has begun an Emergency Appeal for Aid in Sudan,** where 25 million people are in immediate need for humanitarian assistance due to extreme violence and food shortages. 8 million people have already fled their homes, and another 7 million people are at risk of famine-like conditions by this June. At the direction of the Archbishop also, we have seen it fit to have **a second collection** for this appeal **next weekend.**

**Gift Aid and Planned Giving Envelopes:** There are still boxes of envelopes to be collected in both churches. If you haven't collected your box, please could you collect your envelopes today, so we are able to claim Gift Aid on your donations moving forward. Please could you let the Parish office know if:

- You have had a change of circumstances and no longer require your envelopes.
- You have changed your address.
- If you have recently signed up to donate to church by Standing Order, and do not require your box for the second collection envelopes.

**We welcome into our Parish community** Ivy-Rose Evans-Johnson who was Baptised at St Jude's last weekend. Michael Johnson RIP was also baptised into the Church at home on his deathbed.

**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 NQT's right up to the most experienced teachers on UPS3. More details on the school website at: <https://www.ourladyoflourdesprimary.com>

**Missio/ Mill Hill Collecting during 2023** A grand total of £2,605.58 was raised through our Red Boxes and donations to Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries this last year. Thank you! Our community is part of a worldwide network of people supporting missionaries overseas through prayer and financial assistance. Your support of Missionary Priests, like Fr Ignatius MHM, working with a rural community in Uganda, enables people to come together to celebrate the Eucharist and to work together to improve the lives of the whole community. Do visit [missio.org.uk](http://missio.org.uk) to find out more about their work.

**The Youth Group** meets this Sunday 28th April 5pm until 6.15pm followed by mass at 6.30 pm. After this session, due to other commitments and the availability of the leaders, **we have decided to move youth group back to alternate Friday evenings 6pm - 7.30pm until the end of this academic year.** The dates are therefore: Friday's 10th May, 24th May, 7th June, 21st June, and 5th July. We are also really looking forward to welcoming both some new faces and any old faces who couldn't make it when we met on Sunday's.

The next **Men's Rosary in the City** will be on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> 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.

**The Annual Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage:** An invitation is extended to married couples, those celebrating a milestone anniversary and those preparing to marry this year, to the annual Mass for Marriage at St Chad's Cathedral on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May at 12 Noon, followed by light refreshments. Find out more at: [www.vocations.org.uk/marriage-mass](http://www.vocations.org.uk/marriage-mass).

**The Legion of Mary** at St Dunstan's meets on Saturday mornings in the Conference Room at 9.30am, and at then on Monday evenings at 6.15pm in St Jude's Church. All are welcome!

**May Procession on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May after 9.30am Mass:** After this Mass, Our Lady will be crowned and then the children of St Dunstan's will lead a May Procession that heads on down Kings Heath High Street and back down to the school. All are welcome to join the procession.

## COLLECTIONS:

	St Dunstan's	St Jude's*
Gift Aid:	£ 334.00	£
Non-Gift Aid:	£ 1076.99	£
Fabric Fund:	£ 347.32	£



You can donate to the Church (with or without Gift Aid) using this QR Code. Do this by scanning this code with the camera of your phone.

There is a **Second Collection** this week for **The Clergy Training Fund** and next week we will have a collection for the **Emergency CAFOD Appeal**.

\*Figures to be given next week.

**Real Ale and Cider Festival: We are still 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. Please could you email the Parish Office if you are interested.

**Parish Tote:** We will be starting a Parish Tote for St Dunstan's and St Jude's on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May.

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 cards will be available in church from Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May, with the first draw taking place on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 10<sup>th</sup> June.

We are still looking for Agents 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, or preferably email, Fr John and we will provide everything you will need.

**How did the Ignatian Adventure go (so far)?** Fr Toby was sad not to be able to journey with people 1:1 during the Lenten Journey and is now hoping to arrange to meet participants slowly over the course of the coming weeks. Those that would like to share the headlines of their experience, the graces received, and even any questions that linger, are invited to contact him directly via email expressing their interest along with their telephone number – he will then phone to organise a good time to do so. Fr Toby is also happy to receive a brief email by way of evaluation – What worked well? How could it be improved when he offers it again? Some honest, but constructive feedback is sought.

Those who missed the adventure this time can stay tuned for an online version of the journey coming soon. Those who want more, by way of progressing to the later stages of St Ignatius' *Spiritual Exercises* can also stay tuned for more in the coming months.

Fr Toby is also planning a **Pilgrimage to the Ignatian Places** in Spain and hopes to launch it for booking in the near future!

The **Journey in Faith** continues on Tuesday's at 7.45pm in the Conference Room.

**Little Lambs** is a chance for a coffee and chat with other parents, grandparents and carers whilst young children play. Come and join us in the Conference Room from 10.15am to 12.15pm on Friday's.

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## SUNDAY 28TH APRIL

DOORS OPEN AT 7PM  
EYES DOWN AT 7.45PM

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FREE EVENT PARKING

**Lectio Divina** is in the Conference Room after morning Mass every Monday, where one is invited to read and reflect on God's Word, usually the Gospel of the day.

**Living and Praying the Divine Will** also continues at 14 Forest Rd, Moseley, on Wednesday at 12noon.

## READINGS FOR SUNDAY MASS

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### COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, constantly accomplish the Paschal Mystery within us, that those you were pleased to make new in Holy Baptism may, under your protective care, bear much fruit and come to the joys of life eternal.

### FIRST READING

*Acts 9:26-31*

When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they could not believe he was really a disciple. Barnabas, however, took charge of him, introduced him to the apostles, and explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken to him on his journey, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the Hellenists, and argued with them, they became determined to kill him. When the brothers knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him off from there to Tarsus.

The churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**R: You, Lord, are my praise in the great assembly.**

My vows I will pay before those who fear him.  
The poor shall eat and shall have their fill.  
They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him.  
May their hearts live for ever and ever! **R:**

All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord,  
all families of the nations worship before him;  
They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth;  
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust. **R:**

And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him.  
They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come,  
declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn:  
'These things the Lord has done.' **R:**

### SECOND READING

*1 John 3:18-24*

My children, our love is not to be just words or mere talk, but something real and active; only by this can we be certain that we are children of the truth and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence, whatever accusations it may raise against us, because God is greater than our conscience and he knows everything. My dear people, if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience, we need not be afraid in God's presence, and whatever we ask him, we shall receive, because we keep his commandments and live the kind of life that he wants. His commandments are these: that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and that we love one another as he told us to. Whoever keeps his commandments lives in God and God lives in him. We know that he lives in us by the Spirit that he has given us.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Make your home in me, as I make mine in you.  
Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty.

**Alleluia!**

### GOSPEL READING

*John 15:1-8*

Jesus said:

'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that bears no fruit he cuts away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes to make it bear even more. You are pruned already, by means of the word that I have spoken to you. Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself, but must remain part of the vine, neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty; for cut off from me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me is like a branch that has been thrown away – he withers; these branches are collected and thrown on the fire, and they are burnt. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask what you will and you shall get it. It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much fruit, and then you will be my disciples.'

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Graciously be present to your people, we pray, O Lord, and lead those you have imbued with heavenly mysteries to pass from former ways to newness of life.

*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 or [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concerns.*