

Messages from Father Pat - Funeral Ministry Team.

We continue to experience change and development in our parishes as we find new ways to support each other in a rapidly changing world. In our diocese the Building Hope process is guiding us in new ways of being church together. One such innovation is the introduction of Lay led Funeral Teams across the diocese. Lay Funeral Ministers are people of faith and prayer who have been trained to assist in leading prayer at funerals. Here in St Jude's / St Pius X we now have one team of Lay Funeral Ministers trained to support families in prayer. Going forward, our lay ministers lead prayers at gravesides and crematoriums. They will also lead families in prayer in funeral homes or family homes as requested. Our new lay ministers will be commissioned for service at the 11.30 am Mass in St Pius X church on Sunday 1st November, the feast of All Saints.