

Parish of St. Jude the Apostle's Newsletter
Saturday 12th – Sunday 13th September 2026
Twenty - third Sunday in Ordinary Time
A Warm Welcome to all to our Church.
Thank you for joining us for Mass.



St Judes Information **Mass Times** Please see Parish Website

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Parish Centre Office – Mass Cards, Baptismal Candles, Rosary beads are available in Parish Office.

Baptisms are held Monthly in St Judes on the 3rd Sunday and in St Pius X on 1st Sunday. More Information in the Parish Office.

Anniversary Masses etc. Please give one Months' notice. All anniversary and remembrance masses must be booked through the Parish Office.

Newsletter Items If you would like an item added to our Newsletter, please email Parish Office before 4pm Wednesday.

Coeliac Holy Communion Please only approach coeliac Minister if you are coeliac.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 12th September

Brendan Giles (Rec Dec),
Paul Lawlor (1st Anniv),
Mary Pidgeon (13th Anniv),
Bridget & Kevin Mooney (Anniv),

Joe Lyons (Rec Dec),
Con O'Meara (12th Anniv),
Kathleen O'Donoghue (29th Anniv),
Fiona (Get Well)

Sunday 13th September

Mary Jo Tully (Rec Dec),
Maura Daly (Rec Dec),
James Manzor (Anniv),
Margaret Carthy (22nd Anniv),
Elizabeth, Jim & Family (Special Intention).

Mary Melanson (Rec Dec),
Brendan Giles (Rec Dec),
Desmond Samfey (2nd Anniv),
Ivor & Tanya (25th Wedding Anniv)

St Judes: In addition to our weekday Masses (Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 10am), we also have the following times of prayer:
Tues and Thurs: Rosary and Holy Communion 10.00am, Adoration 9.15 to 11.00am. Friday: Adoration 10.30am -1.00pm.
Saturday morning: 10.00am, Prayer Service with Holy Communion.

Sunday Mass Hymns Nos 15, 20, 16, 4

READINGS - Year A

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus. (Sir 27:30 - 28:7)

Resentment and anger, these are foul things, and both are found with the sinner. He who exacts vengeance will experience the vengeance of the Lord, who keeps strict account of sin. Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and when you pray your sins will be forgiven. If a man nurses anger against another, can he then demand compassion from the Lord? Showing no pity for a man like himself, can he then plead for his own sins? Mere creature of flesh he cherishes resentment; who will forgive him his sins? Remember the last things, and stop hating, remember dissolution and death, and live by the commandments. Remember the commandments, and do not bear your neighbour ill-will; remember the covenant of the Most High and overlook the offence.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**Psalms 102:1-4,9-12 R. The Lord is compassion and love,
Slow to anger and rich in mercy.**

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**

It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion **R**

His wrath will come to an end; he will not be angry forever. He does not treat us according to our sins nor repay us according to our faults. **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**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans (Rom 14:7-9)

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to life, it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment:

Love one another, just as I have loved you, says the Lord. Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew (Mt 18:21-35)

Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times. And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master's feet. "Give me time," he said, "and I will pay the whole sum." And the servant's

master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. "Pay what you owe me," he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, "Give me time and I will pay you." But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. "You wicked servant," he said, "I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?" And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart.'

The Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

***God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself,
not counting their trespasses against them,
and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us.***

NOTICES:

Message 1 from Father Pat New Hymnal. As we begin a new season, we are delighted to offer an aid to our singing / musical prayer here in St Jude's. The new hymnal contains many of the hymns used regularly in our liturgies. We hope you will all join more fully in prayerful singing during our Masses. Many thanks to the small but very dedicated team who worked through the Summer to get this project over the line. PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE THE HYMNALS FROM THE CHURCH - Thank you.

Message 2 from Father Pat Accommodation Sought. A very trustworthy mother and her daughter (21) are urgently seeking a new home. If you are, or know a landlord, with a 2/3-bedroom apartment /house for rent please let us know. You would be getting very reliable and highly recommended H.A.P. tenants. Please contact Fr. Pat

St Jude Church collections last weekend First collection € 1,120, Second collection € 975. Very much appreciated, Thank you.

Saints' days during the coming week: 14th – Exaltation of the Holy Cross: the discovery of the True Cross is dated to 14 September 320, and when the churches on Calvary were dedicated in 335, the Cross was venerated there on 14 September, and annually on that date since then; 15th – Our Lady of Sorrows, who united herself to the sacrifice of her Son; 16th – Cornelius, pope, died in 251, and Cyprian, teacher, preacher and martyr; 17th – Hildegard of Bingen, abbess, musician, writer and doctor of the Church.

St Vincent de Paul Collection will be held at all Masses this weekend 12th / 13th September.

CrossCare Collection Annual Appeal will take place at all masses on the 19th and 20th September. Your support, as always, is much appreciated.

Bishop Shanahan National School - Retirement of Ms. Noreen Healy

After a teaching career spanning 41 years, the last 31 of which were here in Bishop Shanahan National School, Ms. Noreen Healy is retiring as Principal this weekend. Appointed Deputy Principal in 2016 and then Principal in 2021, she seamlessly continued the work of her wonderful predecessors in guiding and shaping our school into a dynamic and caring place of learning. We thank Ms. Healy for the immense commitment and contribution that she made to our school over the years and we wish her a long, happy and healthy retirement.

But when one door closes, another one opens. Noreen is leaving the school in the capable hands of the in-coming Principal Ms. Elaine Gaynor, who brings in the start of a new era for the school. We wish her every success in this demanding role.

Irish Province of Carmelites invites you to Come and See. For men aged 20-40 years who are discerning a vocation. A weekend to: Explore your future. Explore becoming a Carmelite Friar. When – September 11th to 13th. Where – Gort Muire, D16 E167. Tel 090 6481160.

Retiree Pilates and Strength Classes will be commencing on Mondays 11.15 a.m. to 12.15 pm. Starting back Monday 7th September. The classes will run until 14th December 2026. Price 15 euro per class. Classes coached by More details can be found on info@cmgfit.com or text 08607598881 for further details.

Note from Massey Bros. in Templeogue Village

“At Massey Bros. in Templeogue Village, we’re here to help local families with care and kindness when they need us most. Our newly refurbished funeral home, including our garden and reflection area, offers a warm, peaceful place to gather, remember and say goodbye. You’re always welcome to pop in for a look around - we’d love to show you the space.

We know that talking about your own funeral isn’t easy, but sharing your wishes can bring peace of mind and make things a little easier for those closest to you when the time comes. If it’s something you’ve been thinking about, our Templeogue team is always here for a friendly chat, with no pressure to make any decisions”