

**Holy Communion and Confirmation** If your child is making their Holy Communion or Confirmation, please bring their Baptism Certificate into Parish Office as soon as possible.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE to all Parish Volunteers** In compliance with Diocesan requirements all volunteers who work in any aspect of Parish life must attend a Child Protection Information Session once every three years. This is an essential part of being a volunteer and helps us to meet the requirements of the Annual Child Protection Audit. Just under half of our Parish Volunteers attended one of these sessions in February 2025 and I now encourage all others to attend on the next locally organised session as follows: **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March in St Pius X.**

Otherwise, further dates for the diocese are as follows:

Rush, St Maur's Church 21<sup>st</sup> Feb, Ballyfermot, Cherry Orchard -25<sup>th</sup> Feb,  
Sandyford - 4<sup>th</sup> March, Dalkey Church -11<sup>th</sup> March  
Booterstown Parish Centre -19<sup>th</sup> March, Ballinteer Church -24<sup>th</sup> March.

Please also make sure you register on the day as this will form part of our Child Protection Records. Fr Pat McKinley, PP

**Sacred Heart Messenger and Irish Catholic** available in Parish Office.

**Stations of the Cross during Lent - St Pius X Church** Easter is the most significant feast of the Church Year. During Lent, we have the opportunity to prepare ourselves through prayer, meditation, fasting and works of mercy. To help in that preparation we will have the Stations of the Cross each Friday evening during Lent at 7.30pm in St Pius X Church. Please join us for this time of prayer.  
**A SINCERE THANK YOU** to all who were able to respond to last Sunday's appeal in support of the great and much needed outreach of Merchants Quay. The response in St Judes and St Pius X was wonderful. All items and offerings will be passed on to personnel of Merchants Quay during this coming week, who are very grateful for your generosity. Thank you once again.

**Day of Prayer for Survivors & Victims of Abuse** Pope Leo XIV has asked that the First Friday of Lent be a day of prayer for healing for those who have been abused in our Church. The 10am Mass this Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Feb in **St Jude** will be a special Mass for Survivors and Victims of Abuse. We invite all those affected in any way by abuse to come to the 10am Mass in St Judes and / or to the evening **Stations of the Cross** that same day at 7.30pm in St Pius X.

**Trócaire Lenten Boxes** As we will soon begin the Holy Season of Lent, Trócaire Lenten Boxes are now available in the church porches, for us to take home as a reminder of the poor who seek and deserve every assistance from us.

**Children's Lenten Countdown 2026** For the Lenten Season, we have prepared a Lenten Countdown for children. The Countdown has suggested daily activities and good deeds for each day of Lent. Copies are available in the church porches and can also be downloaded from our parish website, from the young parishioners page. We invite you to take home or download a copy from the website for your children / grandchildren to help them actively engage in our preparation for Easter.

**Parish of St. Jude the Apostle's Newsletter**  
**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2026**

**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time, Year A.**

**A Warm Welcome to all to our Church.**

**Thank you for joining us for Mass.**



**Mass Times**

**St Judes:** Mon (except BH), Wed, Fri 10.00am // **Sat** 5.30 pm // **Sun** 10.00am.

**St Pius X:** Tue, Thu 10.00am // **Sat** 7.00pm // **Sun** 11.30am //

**St Pius X First Friday** 7.00pm. **Taize Mass:** **St Jude's Feb 22nd.** 7.30pm

**St Judes Additional Information**

Tuesday morning Prayer Service and Holy Communion 10.00am

Thurs morning Rosary and Holy Communion 10.00am, Adoration 9.15 to 11.00am  
Friday morning Adoration 1030am -1.00pm.

Saturday morning 10.00, Prayer Service with Holy Communion.

Confessions on request to Fr. Pat

**St Judes Parish Office Opening Hours:** Monday, Wednesday, Friday 09.30 – 12.30. Closed Tuesday & Thursday.

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**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> 5.30pm**

Ann Wade (Rec Dec), Lily Delaney (Rec Dec),  
Helen Sheehan (15<sup>th</sup> Anniv), Joan Moylan (Anniv),  
Jim Pendergast (Anniv) Brendan Dromey (Anniv),  
Maureen, Marie and Ricky (Annivs), Conor McFeeney (B/Day Rem).

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> 10.00am**

Patrick Collard (Anniv), Brendan Dromey(Anniv),  
Mary Ryan (Anniv), Catherine Higgins (Anniv),  
Michael Lawlor (4<sup>th</sup> Anniv), Michael Ryan (Anniv),  
Peggy Leyden (21<sup>st</sup> Anniv), Joan Barbour (9<sup>th</sup> Anniv),  
Betty Lawlor (45<sup>th</sup> Anniv).

**Parish Centre Office** – Mass Cards, Baptismal Candles, Rosary beads are available in Parish Office. **Baptisms** are held Monthly in St Judes on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday and in St Pius X on 1<sup>st</sup> 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

## READINGS

## Year A.

### A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus (Sir 15:15-20)

If you wish, you can keep the commandments, to behave faithfully is within your power. He has set fire and water before you; put out your hand to whichever you prefer. Man has life and death before him; whichever a man likes better will be given him. For vast is the wisdom of the Lord; he is almighty and all-seeing. His eyes are on those who fear him, he notes every action of man. He never commanded anyone to be godless, he has given no one permission to sin. *The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

**Psalm** (118:1-2.4-5.17-18.33-34)

### R. They are happy who follow God's law!

They are happy whose life is blameless, who follow God's law!  
They are happy those who do his will, seeking him with all their hearts. R  
You have laid down your precepts to be obeyed with care.  
May my footsteps be firm to obey your statutes. R  
Bless your servant and I shall live and obey your word.  
Open my eyes that I may consider the wonders of your law. R  
Teach me the demands of your statutes and I will keep them to the end.  
Train me to observe your law, to keep it with my heart. R

**A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians** (1 Cor 2:6-10)  
We have a wisdom to offer those who have reached maturity: not a philosophy of our age, it is true, still less of the masters of our age, which are coming to their end. The hidden wisdom of God which we teach in our mysteries is the wisdom that God predestined to be for our glory before the ages began. It is a wisdom that none of the masters of this age have ever known, or they would not have crucified the Lord of Glory; we teach what scripture calls: the things that no eye has seen and no ear has heard, things beyond the mind of man, all that God has prepared for those who love him. These are the very things that God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit reaches the depths of everything, even the depths of God. *The Word of the Lord.* **Thanks be to God.**

*Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening:  
you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!*

### A Reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew (Mt 5:17-37)

(*For Shorter Form, read between → ←*) → Jesus said to his disciples: ← 'Do not imagine that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets. I have come not to abolish them but to complete them. I tell you solemnly, till heaven and earth disappear, not one dot, one little stroke, shall disappear from the Law until its purpose is achieved. Therefore, the man who infringes even one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be considered the least in the kingdom of heaven; but the man who keeps them and teaches them will be considered great in the kingdom of heaven. 'For → I tell you, if your virtue goes no deeper than that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never get into the kingdom of heaven. 'You have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: You must not kill; and if anyone does kill he must answer for it before the court. But I say this to you: anyone who is angry with his brother will answer for it before the court; ← if

a man calls his brother "Fool" he will answer for it before the Sanhedrin; and if a man calls him "Renegade" he will answer for it in hell fire. So then, if you are bringing your offering to the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your offering there before the altar, go and be reconciled with your brother first, and then come back and present your offering. Come to terms with your opponent in good time while you are still on the way to the court with him, or he may hand you over to the judge and the judge to the officer, and you will be thrown into prison. I tell you solemnly, you will not get out till you have paid the last penny. → You have learnt how it was said: You must not commit adultery. But I say this to you: if a man looks at a woman lustfully, he has already committed adultery with her in his heart. ← If your right eye should cause you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; for it will do you less harm to lose one part of you than to have your whole body thrown into hell. And if your right hand should cause you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; for it will do you less harm to lose one part of you than to have your whole body go to hell. 'It has also been said: Anyone who divorces his wife must give her a writ of dismissal. But I say this to you: everyone who divorces his wife, except for the case of fornication, makes her an adulteress; and anyone who marries a divorced woman commits adultery. → Again, you have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: You must not break your oath, but must fulfil your oaths to the Lord. But I say this to you: do not swear at all, ← either by heaven, since that is God's throne; or by the earth, since that is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, since that is the city of the great king. Do not swear by your own head either, since you cannot turn a single hair white or black. → All you need say is "Yes" if you mean yes, "No" if you mean no; anything more than this comes from the evil one. ← *The Gospel of the Lord*

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*O God, you read our hearts and you know us even better than we know ourselves.*

*Lent is an opportunity to reconnect with Christ (Pope Francis)*

## NOTICES:

**St Vincent de Paul Local Conference monthly collection** at Masses last weekend amounted to €2020. Thank you so much for your generosity.

**Folk Group Mass** every second Saturday. Next Folk Mass Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Taize Mass Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> 7.30pm.** All Welcome

**Relationship Care / Accord Dublin** The annual collection for the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family will take place next weekend 14th/15th February. It will replace the Share collection at Masses.

**Stations of the Cross** This First Friday of Lent, the 20<sup>th</sup> February, at 7.30pm in St Pius X, we commence the praying of the Stations of the Cross every Friday of Lent. Please join us for this powerful Lenten Prayer and Devotion, bring a friend.

**The Horticultural Society** will meet this coming Wednesday 18th February at 7.30pm in St Mary's Room, in Pius X Church.

**Epilepsy Purple Awareness Day** will take place Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> March.