

Parish of St. Jude the Apostle's Newsletter
Saturday 25th, Sunday 26th January 2025
3rd Sunday Ordinary Time, Year C
A Warm Welcome to all to our Church.
Thank you for joining us for Mass.



Mass Times

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

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

St Judes Additional Information

Tuesday morning Prayer Service and Holy Communion 10.00am

Thursday 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.

Taize Mass: Sunday 26th January 7.30pm.

St Judes Parish Office Opening Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 09.30 – 12.30. Closed Tuesday & Thursday.
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Sunday Morning Mass Hymn Refrain

He sent me to give the good news to the poor, tell prisoners that they are prisoners no more, tell blind people that they can see, and set the downtrodden free, And go tell everyone the news that the kingdom of God has come, and go tell everyone the news that God's kingdom has come.

Set your heart on higher gifts, on the things that come from your Maker in Heaven. These three gifts are all that remain: faith hope and love, and the greatest is love.

Anniversaries this weekend:

Sat 25th 5.30pm:

Anne McGann (3rd Anniv),
Timothy Dennehy (Anniv)
Mary O'Grady (Rec Dec),
William and Angela Griffin (Special Int).

Lily and Donal O'Connell (Annivs),
Brenda Finn (4th Anniv),
Thomas Morris (Anniv),
Mary Durkin (Rec Dec),

Sun 26th 10.00am:

Brid Quinn (Rec Dec),
Claire Byrne (9th Anniv),
Mary Smith (24th Anniv),

Maureen Lavin (Rec Dec),
John Long (Rec Dec),
John Kelliher (51st Anniv),
Patrick Phipps (Anniv).

NOTICES:

Parish Centre Office Shop - Mass Cards, Baptismal Candles, Rosary beads, Opening hours same as Parish Office (above). **Gift shop is now closed.** However, there are still a small selection of items available in Parish Office.

Bookings for Anniversary Masses etc. Please note that all anniversary and remembrance masses can be booked through the Parish Office. Opening hours Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9.30am – 12.30pm.

Taize Mass: Sunday 26th January 7.30pm. All Welcome.

St Jude the Apostle 50th Celebrations: - In 2025 it will be 50 years since the parish of St Jude the Apostle became a parish. Our Church was opened on the 7 December 1975. We are looking for volunteers to help us celebrate this occasion. Volunteers from our fellow parishioners in St Pius X very welcome. Anyone who would be willing to serve on a committee to plan and organise events should contact either: the parish office, a member of the Parish Council, Tommy Hartnett or Liam Dolan.

Donations We are very pleased to announce that St Judes Parish donated €1,600.00 to Laura Lynn Hospice and €1,600 to Brother Kevin Capuchin Day Centre. Thank you very much for your generosity.

Child Protection Information Sessions for Volunteers

To comply with Diocesan Policy, **all** Parish Volunteers must attend an Information Session every three years. All those currently in ministry are asked to please take advantage of the coming dates in order to comply with this requirement. The most convenient location for volunteers from St Judes Parish is **Mt Argus on 12th February at 7.30pm**

All Dates / Venues of Sessions Feb 5th Sandyford Parish Ctr 7pm,
Feb 13th Newtownpark Church 7pm, Feb 18th Donaghmeade 7.30pm

March 11th Navan Road Parish 7pm, March 12th Johnstown Parish 7pm
Volunteers will be asked to sign in at the sessions so that all parishes can be advised who has attended from their parish.

Online Enrolment for the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy

Communion Parents of 6th class children and 2nd class children are invited to enrol their children for the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion, to be celebrated in May this year. The online enrolment can be completed through the links on our parish website.

We would kindly ask parents to complete the enrolment by Friday 7th February 2025. This will enable the parish to keep parents informed about any developments in the preparation for the Sacraments. Our Family Mass on the second Saturday of each month is a central element of your child's preparation for the Sacrament and therefore can we ask you to please make the effort to attend each month.

Link for registration for **Communion** <https://forms.gle/kWiJ1DhKb5AtudSv7>

Link for registration for **Confirmation** <https://forms.gle/MM9jfzZdycgeX1bp9>

Please Note: You will also need to drop a copy of your child's Baptism Cert into the Parish Office (Mon, Wed and Fri 9.30 - 12.30.) Certs are available from the church where your child was baptised.

Readings

A reading from the book of Nehemiah (Ne 8:2-6. 8-10)

Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, consisting of men, women, and children old enough to understand. This was the first day of the seventh month. On the square before the Water Gate, in the presence of the men and women, and children old enough to understand, he read from the book from early morning till noon; all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law. Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden dais erected for the purpose. In full view of all the people — since he stood higher than all the people — Ezra opened the book; and when he opened it all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people raised their hands and answered, 'Amen! Amen!'; then they bowed down and, face to the ground, prostrated themselves before the Lord. And Ezra read from the Law of God, translating and giving the sense, so that the people understood what was read. Then Nehemiah — His Excellency — and Ezra, priest and scribe (and the Levites who were instructing the people) said to all the people, 'This day is sacred to the Lord your God. Do not be mournful, do not weep.' For the people were all in tears as they listened to the words of the Law. He then said, 'Go, eat the fat, drink the sweet wine, and send a portion to the man who has nothing prepared ready. For this day is sacred to our Lord. Do not be sad: the joy of the Lord is your stronghold.' *The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

Psalm (Ps 95:1-3.7-10) R your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life.

The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul.

The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple. R

The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart.

The command of the Lord is clear, it gives light to the eyes. R

The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever.

The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just. R

May the spoken words of my mouth, the thoughts of my heart,

win favour in your sight, O Lord, my rescuer, my rock!. R

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians (1 Cor 12:12-30)

(For Shorter Form, read between → ←). → Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink. Nor is the body to be identified with any one of its many parts. ← If the foot were to say, 'I am not a hand and so I do not belong to the body', would that mean that it stopped being part of the body? If the ear were to say, 'I am not an eye, and so I do not belong to the body,' would that mean that it is not a part of the body? If your whole body was just one eye, how would you hear anything? If it was just one ear, how would you smell anything? Instead of that, God put all the separate parts

into the body on purpose. If all the parts were the same, how could it be a body? As it is, the parts are many but the body is one. The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I do not need you,' nor can the head say to the feet, 'I do not need you.' What is more, it is precisely the parts of the body that seem to be the weakest which are the indispensable ones; and it is the least honourable parts of the body that we clothe with the greatest care. So our more improper parts get decorated in a way that our more proper parts do not need. God has arranged the body so that more dignity is given to the parts which are without it, and so that there may not be disagreements inside the body, but that each part may be equally concerned for all the others. If one part is hurt, all parts are hurt with it. If one part is given special honour, all parts enjoy it. → Now you together are Christ's body; but each of you is a different part of it. ← In the Church, God has given the first place to apostles, the second to prophets, the third to teachers; after them, miracles, and after them the gift of healing; helpers, good leaders, those with many languages. Are all of them apostles, or all of them prophets, or all of them teachers? Do they all have the gift of miracles, or all have the gift of healing? Do all speak strange languages, and all interpret them? *The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God.*

Alleluia, alleluia! The Lord has sent me to bring the Good News to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives. Alleluia!

A Reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke (Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21)

Seeing that many others have undertaken to draw up accounts of the events that have taken place among us, exactly as these were handed down to us by those who from the outset were eye-witnesses and ministers of the word, I in my turn, after carefully going over the whole story from the beginning, have decided to write an ordered account for you, Theophilus, so that your Excellency may learn how well founded the teaching is that you have received.

Jesus, with the power of the Spirit in him, returned to Galilee; and his reputation spread throughout the countryside. He taught in their synagogues and everyone praised him. He came to Nazara, where he had been brought up, and went into the synagogue on the sabbath day as he usually did. He stood up to read, and they handed him the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll he found the place where it is written: The spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for he has anointed me. He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives and to the blind new sight, to set the downtrodden free, to proclaim the Lord's year of favour. He then rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the assistant and sat down. And all eyes in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to speak to them, 'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Before you speak, let your words pass through three gates.

At the first gate ask yourself "**Is it true**"?

At the second gate ask, "**Is it necessary**"? At the third gate ask, "**Is it kind**"?

Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.