

**Parish of St. Jude the Apostle's Newsletter, Sunday, 28th April 2024**  
***A Warm Welcome to all to our Church. Thank you for joining us for Mass.***

**Weekend Masses** Saturday evening - 6.30pm.  
Sunday morning - 10.00am and 12.00 noon.

**Weekday Mass:** 9.30am Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.  
Thursday morning 09.30, Rosary and Holy Communion.  
Saturday morning 10.00, Prayer Service with Holy Communion.



**Taize Mass:** Our final Mass for this season is on 28th April at 7.30pm.  
As usual it will be offered for all those doing exams and those supporting them.  
All welcome; please bring a friend!

<b>Parish Office Opening Hours:</b>	Monday, Wednesday, Friday 09.30 – 12.30. Closed Tuesday, Thursday. Phone +353 (0)1 4600127, Eircode D6W YH51. Parish website <a href="http://www.stiudesparish.net">www.stiudesparish.net</a>
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### 5th Sunday of Easter

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (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.

*The word of the Lord* **Thanks be to God**

**Responsorial Psalm (Ps 21: 26-28. 30-32)**

**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**

**A reading from the first letter of St John. (1 Jn 3:18-24)**

His commandments are these: that we believe in his Son and that we love one another. 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 the 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 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.

*The word of the Lord* **Thanks be to God**

## **Alleluia, alleluia!**

Make your home in me, as I make mine in you, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty. **Alleluia!**

## **A reading from the holy Gospel according to John. (Jn 15:1-8)**

Jesus said to his disciples: '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.'

*The Gospel of the Lord*

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

*I am the true vine, and you are the branches.*

*Whoever remains in me, bears fruit in plenty.*

## **NOTICES:**

**Trócaire Boxes:** Trócaire Boxes can be returned to the parish office.

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

**Vacancy for Parish Secretary:** Enquiries to [stjudesparishoffiwillington@gmail.com](mailto:stjudesparishoffiwillington@gmail.com)

**First Communion & the Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Please pray for our children who will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time during the coming week. We wish them, and their families and teachers well in the final preparations for receiving their First Holy Communion on 15th and 16th May 2024.

**Parish Centre Shop** First Holy Communion, Confirmation cards and gifts, Baptismal Candles, Rosary beads and lots more in stock. Opening hours same as Parish Office.

## **Anniversaries this weekend:**

### **Sat 27th, 6.30pm:**

Maura Crawford (Anniv), Gerry Crawford (Anniv), Ethel Lee 37<sup>th</sup> (Anniv), Richard Comerford Snr. (55<sup>th</sup> Anniv), Ritchard Comerford (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv), Gretta Lynch (6<sup>th</sup> Anniv).

### **Sun 28th, 10.00am:**

Peter O'Neill Dec'd (80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Remembrance), John O'Shea (Rec. Dec.), Tom McGrath (Rec. Dec.), Deirdre Fehily (Rec. Dec.), Mary Flanagan (Rec. Dec.), Donors Intention.

### **Sun 28th, 12.00 noon:**

Fr. Patrick Aikens (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv), Margaret Igbetar (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv), David Connolly (Anniv), Maura Roberts (Anniv), Eamon Griffin (Rec. Dec.), Gerry (Get Well).