

Parish of St. Jude the Apostle's Newsletter
Saturday 4th December, Sunday, 5th December 2025
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 10.30am -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.
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2nd Sunday of Christmas, Year C. 5 January 2025.

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus (Si 24:1-2.8-12)

Wisdom speaks her own praises; in the midst of her people she glories in herself. She opens her mouth in the assembly of the Most High, she glories in herself in the presence of the Mighty One; "Then the creator of all things instructed me, and he who created me fixed a place for my tent. He said, 'Pitch your tent in Jacob, make Israel your inheritance.' From eternity, in the beginning, he created me, and for all eternity I shall remain. I ministered before him I the holy tabernacle, and thus was I established on Zion. In the beloved city he has given me rest, and in Jerusalem I wield my authority. I have taken root in a privileged people in the Lord's property, in his inheritance.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm (Ps 147:12-15.19-20) & The Word was made flesh and lived among us.

O praise the Lord, Jerusalem! Zion, praise your God!

He has strengthened the bars of your gates, he has blessed the children within you. R

He established peace on your borders, he feeds you with finest wheat.

He sends out his word to the earth and swiftly runs his command. R

He makes his word known to Jacob, to Israel his laws and decrees.

He has not dealt thus with other nations; he has not taught them his decrees. R

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians (Ep 1:3-6. 15-18)

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ. Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determining that we should become his adopted sons and daughters, through Jesus Christ, for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved. That will explain why I, having once heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus, and the love that you show towards all the saints, have never failed to remember you in my prayers and to thank God for you. May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to you, O Christ, proclaimed to the pagans;

Glory be to you, O Christ, believed in by the world. Alleluia!

A Reading from the holy Gospel according to John (Jn 1:1-18)

(For Shorter Form, read between > <)

>In the beginning was the Word: the Word was with God and the Word was God.

He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things came to be, not one thing had its being

but through him. All that came to be had life in him and that life was the light of men, a light that shines in the dark, a light that darkness could not overpower. <

A man came, sent by God. His name was John. He came as a witness, as a witness to speak for the light, so that everyone might believe through him. He was not the light, only a witness to speak for the light. >The Word was the true light that enlightens all; and he was coming into the world. He was in the world that had its being through him, and the world did not know him. He came to his own domain and his own people did not accept him. But to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God, to all who believe in the name of him who was born not out of human stock or urge of the flesh or will of man but of God himself. The Word was made flesh, he lived among us, and we saw his glory, the glory that is his as the only Son of the Father, full of grace and truth. <

John appears as his witness. He proclaims: 'This is the one of whom I said: He who comes after me ranks before me because he existed before me'. Indeed, from his fullness we have, all of us, received – yes, grace in return for grace, since, though the Law was given through Moses, grace and truth have come through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God; it is the only Son, who is nearest to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

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

NOTICES:

Family Mass Saturday 11th January St Judes 5.30pm, everybody welcome.

We encourage families with young children and in particular those preparing for the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation to join us for this Mass.

Youth Café Saturday 11th January St Judes after 5.30pm Mass.

Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord / Monday 6th January – Mass Times

St Judes - 10.00am // St Pius X – 10.00am and 7.00pm evening Mass

Parish Centre Office Shop - Mass Cards, Baptismal Candles, Rosary beads, Opening hours same as Parish Office (above).

Parish Centre Gift Shop Clearance Sale – Everything 50% OFF Gifts for all occasions (Cash Only)

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.

Cosy Corner Café – Mon - Fri 8.30am – 3.30pm / Sat 10am - 4pm. (Tom 083 1838006).

Toddlers World A fun interactive music class, suitable from 4 months to 4 years and beyond. Mon, Thurs and Fri in St Judes Pastoral Centre 9.45am – 11am. Contact Amanda 086 1700806 to book. Reopening Mon 6th January 2025 0930-1230.

Thank you! We would like to say a big thank you to all who helped in so many ways to celebrate Christmas. Thank you to all who helped clean, prepare and decorate the church and to all who assisted in the preparation and celebration of all aspects of the Christmas liturgies. Thank you one and all!

New Year Wishes We wish one and all the Lord's Blessing during the year ahead.

May you be blest in family, faith, community and friendships.

May you be blest as lived, in education, work, volunteering or retirement.

May you be blest as needed with renewed health, wisdom, and strength.

May you be blest with hope, joy and peace, in gift from God. **Amen**

PILGRIMAGE OF HOPE, PEACE FOR GAZA Labryinth Walk, Silent Procession, Lunch, Film (Budrus), Conversation with Father Damian Farnon, Chaplain with Irish Troops in Lebanon, Prayer Vigil, Date: Monday 6th Jan, Time: 12pm – 5pm, Venue: Manresa Jesuit Centre of Spirituality, 426 Clontarf Road, Dollymount, Dublin D03 FP52.

Anniversaries this weekend:

Sat 4th 5.30pm: Ann Tiernan (Rec Dec), Pat Kennedy (Rec Dec), Irma Delvin (Months Mind), Sheila O'Brien (19th Anniv), Daniel Kirwan (5th Anniv), Ann and Teresa Morris (Annivs), Christy Dunne (B/Day Rem), Seamus and Bridie Sullivan (Annivs).

Sun 5th 10.00am: Eileen Dunne (Rec Dec), Tommy and Frances Halpin (Annivs), Aindreas (Andy) McEntee (28th Anniv), Lily Crowe (16th Anniv), Ita, Tony and Liam Mulally (Annivs), Pat Dunleavy Senior (Annivs), Pat Dunleavy Senior (Annivs), Tom and Mary Myler (Annivs).

To all who would accept him, he gave the power to become children of God.