

NOTICES:

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. I now encourage volunteers to attend session as follows: Dalkey Church -11th March, Booterstown Parish Centre -19th March, Ballinteer Church -24th March. Please also make sure you register on the day as this will form part of our Child Protection Records. Fr Pat McKinley PP.

Taize Mass Sunday 8th March 7.30 pm.

Celebrant Bishop Eamonn Walsh. All welcome

Stations of the Cross during Lent - St Pius X Church To help in the preparation for Lent 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.

St Vincent De Paul Collection all Masses on this weekend 7th/8th March

Family Mass Saturday 14th March in St Pius X at 7pm.

Farewell Mass for White Fathers. A Mass of appreciation for the support that the White Fathers have given our parishes will be held on Friday 20th March in St Judes at 7pm followed by refreshments. Please come to express your appreciation.

Kimmage Manor Lenten Talks Time to think about your Christianity. Each Wednesday during Lent, presenters / guests will speak about their life's story which includes their faith. Come and listen, ask questions. Talks take place each Wednesday March 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th in Lower Community Room, Spiritan Missionary Residence at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

Pilgrimage to Lourdes 3rd- 7th August 2026 (4 nights) I hope to travel to Lourdes in August with a small group from St Pius X, and a number of other Dublin Parishes led by my brother, who is a Priest of the Dublin Diocese. At this time, I am looking for an expression of interest in order to gauge possible numbers travelling (places are limited). The cost is €945.00 (full board) per person sharing (single supplement of €196.00 applies and price does not include travel insurance). Please let me know if you are interested in the trip in August – you can phone or text me, Deacon Gerry, to 086 842 1513 / gerryplarkin@outlook.com

Pilgrimage to Knock 25th April both St Judes and St Pius X churches. We will be organising a bus (same as last year). Collection points St Pius X 8.30 sharp and leaving St Judes at 9 a.m. sharp. The price is €25. If interested please call into the Parish Office in St Judes or St Pius X to register your interest.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. This Sunday 8th March Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament St Pius X from 3-4pm concluding with Benediction.

Scripture Group St Pius X Church this coming Wednesday 11th March at 7.30pm in the Sacristy. All are welcome.

Active Retirement Association will meet Monday 9th March at 11am in St Mary's Room St Pius X Church. All are welcome.

Parish of St. Jude the Apostle's Newsletter
Saturday 7th Sunday 8th March 2026
3rd Sunday of Lent, Year A.
A Warm Welcome to all to our Church.
Thank you for joining us for Mass.



Mass Times Please see Parish Website.

St Judes 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 10.30am -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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Parish website www.stjudesparish.net

Father Pat - Landline 01 4063330 / Email fionnlaoich@yahoo.ie

Mass Intentions

Saturday 7th 5.30pm

Annie Conlon (Anniv),

Dan Tracy (8th Anniv),

Gerry Crawford (48th Anniv),

Baby Paudie Breen and Family (Get Well),

Valerie Maguiness (Months Mind),
James, Jane, Tim, William Masterson (Annivs),

James O'Hare (16th Anniv),

Yvonne McGovern (B/Day Wishes),

Kathleen Donnellan (Get Well).

Sunday 8th 10.00am

Aileen Buckley (Rec Dec),

Michael Quinn (2nd Anniv),

Rosie Mahon (10th Anniv),

Gerard McKinney (30th Anniv),

Bridget Kavanagh (Anniv),

Olive Harverty (3rd Anniv),

Larry O'Neil (23rd Anniv),

Ian Dignam (B/Day Remembrance).

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.

READINGS**Year A.****A reading from the book of Exodus.** (Ex 17:3-7)

Tormented by thirst, the people complained against Moses. 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt? they said. 'Was it so that I should die of thirst, my children too, and my cattle?' Moses appealed to the Lord. 'How am I to deal with this people?' he said. 'A little more and they will stone me!' The Lord said to Moses, 'Take with you some of the elders of Israel and move on to the forefront of the people; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the river, and go. I shall be standing before you there on the rock, at Horeb. You must strike the rock, and water will flow from it for the people to drink.' This is what Moses did, in the sight of the elders of Israel. The place was named Massah and Meribah because of the grumbling of the sons of Israel and because they put the Lord to the test by saying, 'Is the Lord with us, or not?' *The Word of the Lord.* **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm (94:1-2.6-9) **R O that today you would listen to his voice: 'Harden not your hearts.'**

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us.

Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. **R**

Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. **R**

O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' **R**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans. (Rm 5:1-2.5-8)

Through our Lord Jesus Christ by faith we are judged righteous and at peace with God, since it is by faith and through Jesus that we have entered this state of grace in which we can boast about looking forward to God's glory. This hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us. We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man – though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die – but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners. *The Word of the Lord.* **Thanks be to God.**

Lord, you are really the saviour of the world; give me the living water, so that I may never get thirsty.**A Reading from the holy Gospel according to John** (Jn 4:5-42)

(For Shorter Form, read between → ←). → Jesus came to the Samaritan town called Sychar, near the land that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well is there and Jesus, tired by the journey, sat straight down by the well. It was about the sixth hour. When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink.' His disciples had gone into the town to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, 'What? You are a Jew and you ask me, a Samaritan, for a drink?' – Jews, in fact, do not associate with Samaritans. Jesus replied: 'If you only knew what God is offering and who it is that is saying to you:

Give me a drink, you would have been the one to ask, and he would have given you living water.' 'You have no bucket, sir,' she answered 'and the well is deep: how could you get this living water? Are you a greater man than our father Jacob who gave us this well and drank from it himself with his sons and his cattle?' Jesus replied: 'Whoever drinks this water will get thirsty again; but anyone who drinks the water that I shall give will never be thirsty again: the water that I shall give will turn into a spring inside him, welling up to eternal life.' 'Sir,' said the woman, 'give me some of that water, so that I may never get thirsty and never have to come here again to draw water.' ← 'Go and call your husband' said Jesus to her 'and come back here.' The woman answered, 'I have no husband.' He said to her, 'You are right to say, "I have no husband"; for although you have had five, the one you have now is not your husband. You spoke the truth there.' → 'I see you are a prophet, sir' said the woman. 'Our fathers worshipped on this mountain, while you say that Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship.' Jesus said: 'Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know; for salvation comes from the Jews. But the hour will come – in fact it is here already – when true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth: that is the kind of worshipper the Father wants. God is spirit, and those who worship must worship in spirit and truth.'

The woman said to him, 'I know that Messiah – that is, Christ – is coming; and when he comes he will tell us everything.' 'I who am speaking to you,' said Jesus 'I am he.' ← At this point his disciples returned, and were surprised to find him speaking to a woman, though none of them asked, 'What do you want from her?' or, 'Why are you talking to her?' The woman put down her water jar and hurried back to the town to tell the people, 'Come and see a man who has told me everything I ever did; I wonder if he is the Christ?' This brought people out of the town and they started walking towards him. Meanwhile, the disciples were urging him, 'Rabbi, do have something to eat;' but he said, 'I have food to eat that you do not know about.' So the disciples asked one another, 'Has someone been bringing him food?' But Jesus said: 'My food is to do the will of the one who sent me, and to complete his work. Have you not got a saying: Four months and then the harvest? Well, I tell you: Look around you, look at the fields; already they are white, ready for harvest! Already the reaper is being paid his wages, already he is bringing in the grain for eternal life, and thus sower and reaper rejoice together. For here the proverb holds good: one sows, another reaps; I sent you to reap a harvest you had not worked for. Others worked for it; and you have come into the rewards of their trouble.' → Many Samaritans of that town had believed in him on the strength of the woman's testimony when she said, 'He told me all I have ever done,' so, when the Samaritans came up to him, they begged him to stay with them. He stayed for two days, and when he spoke to them many more came to believe; and they said to the woman, 'Now we no longer believe because of what you told us; we have heard him ourselves and we know that he really is the saviour of the world.' *The Gospel of the Lord.* **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

In the midst of the ordinary things, loving God, you call us to the deeper realities: your thirst for us and our thirst for you.