

Parish of St. Jude the Apostle's Newsletter
Saturday 17th Sunday 18th January 2026
2nd Sunday Ordinary Time
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 Jan 25th.** 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 17th 5.30pm

Raymond Power (Months Mind),
Tony + Aidan Mahon (Anniv),
Gemma Crennan (7th Anniv),
Michael Fallon (5th Anniv),

Sr. Mary Haden (Rec Dec),
Sean Crowley (Anniv),
John Long (2nd Anniv),
Daniel Kirwan (7th Anniv),
John Fallon 25th Anniv),
Patrick Tuite (60th Anniv).

Sunday 18th 10.00am

Derek Lynch (Months Mind),
Maura Tarpen (Anniv),
Gerry Farrelly (Anniv),
Patrick Fox 27th Anniv),
Pat Fox Jnr (21st Anniv).

Elizabeth Doyle (Anniv),
Eoin Heraty (Anniv),
Carmel Fox (2nd Anniv),
Peter McInerney (10th Anniv),

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.

Bookings for Anniversary Masses etc. Please give one Months' notice. All anniversary and remembrance masses must be booked through the Parish Office.

NOTICES:

Father Pat is always available to meet people and discuss issues that his Parishioners might have. He can be contacted on his land line 01 4063330 or his email fionnlaoich@yahoo.ie.

St Vincent de Paul collection last weekend amounted to €2,200.00. A HUGE THANKS for your continued support and generous donations. We really do appreciate it and it makes a huge difference to people's lives.

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 one of the following dates that have been arranged locally.

Wednesday 4th February in St Jude the Apostle Church at 7.30pm.

Tuesday 3rd March in St Pius X Church at 7.30pm.

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

Cosy Corner Cafe – We are hiring We are delighted to announce we are recruiting again for the new year. We are looking for team members available between 09:00 and 15:30, Monday to Saturday. Please drop a note into Café or contact Tom or Ciara in the Café.

The Parish Centre have rooms to rent for 2026.

Room 1 is available on Wednesday, Thursday and Fridays 9am until 12pm. Parish Hall is available Thursday Morning 11.15am until 12.30pm, and Thursday Afternoon 2pm until 3.30pm. Please contact Paddy in the Parish Office or alternatively email the office stjudesparishwillington@gmail.com

St Judes choir is looking for new members.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins this Sunday 18th January.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is a privileged moment of prayer, encounter and dialogue. It is an opportunity to recognise and receive the richness and value that are present in the other, the different, and to ask God for the gift of unity." – *Archbishop Dermot Farrell*

Catholic Schools Week 2026 This year, Catholic Schools Week will run from 18th to 24th January with the theme, *Normal Lives, Called to Holiness*. Inspired by Pope Francis' reflection on Blessed Carlo Acutis, the 2026 theme invites pupils, teachers, families, and parishes to explore the call to holiness as something both universal and accessible. Holiness is not for a few, but for all; not reserved for religious professionals or mystics, but for every student, teacher, parent, (and grandparent!) living each day in friendship with Jesus Christ.

TheWay.ie Is a new digital platform set up by the Irish Bishops' Conference dedicated to sharing the Good News and the witness of the Catholic Church in Ireland. It is intended to help people discover the faith, live the faith and pass on the faith. It is for both seekers and followers. You may access the way from our parish website home page.

READINGS Year A.

A reading from the prophet Isiah (Is 49:3,5-6)

The Lord said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I shall be glorified'; I was honoured in the eyes of the Lord, my God was my strength. And now the Lord has spoken, he who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, to gather Israel to him: 'It is not enough for you to be my servant, to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back the survivors of Israel; I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.'

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm (Ps 39:2,4,7-10) R. Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will.

I waited, I waited for the Lord
and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry.
He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God R
You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings, but an open ear.
You do not ask for holocaust and victim. Instead, here am I. R
In the scroll of the book it stands written that I should do your will.
My God, I delight in your law in the depth of my heart. R
Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly.
My lips I have not sealed; you know it, O Lord. R

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians (1 Cor 1:1-3)

I, Paul, appointed by God to be an apostle, together with brother Sosthenes, send greetings to the church of God in Corinth, to the holy people of Jesus Christ, who are called to take their place among all the saints everywhere who pray to our Lord Jesus Christ; for he is their Lord no less than ours. May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us; to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!

A Reading from the holy Gospel according to John (Jn 1:29-34)

Seeing Jesus coming towards him, John said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. This is the one I spoke of when I said: A man is coming after me who ranks before me because he existed before me. I did not know him myself, and yet it was to reveal him to Israel that I came baptising with water.' John also declared, 'I saw the Spirit coming down on him from heaven like a dove and resting on him. I did not know him myself, but he who sent me to baptise with water had said to me, "The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is going to baptise with the Holy Spirit." Yes, I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God.

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

We have come to know and to believe in the love that God has for us.

Over 60? Help to keep the brain cells and white brain matter alive and working well by getting out of your house and doing physical exercise. Doctors recommend 20 minutes a day or 150 minutes exercise per week if you can do it. This is your opportunity to walk with friends or family and build your stamina. Additionally it is good to talk. **Podcast Brendan O'Connor show Saturday 10th Jan Prof Brendan Kelly Your Brain - four stages of life.**