

Taize Mass Sunday 22nd 7.30pm. Celebrant Fr. Brian McKay OC from Terenure College. All very welcome.

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 the next locally organised session as follows: **Tuesday 3rd March in St Pius X.**

Otherwise, further dates for the diocese are as follows:

Ballyfermot, Cherry Orchard -25th Feb, Sandyford - 4th March,
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

Stations of the Cross during Lent - St Pius X Church Easter is the most significant feast of the Church Year. During Lent, we have the opportunity to prepare ourselves through prayer, meditation, fasting and works of mercy. To help in that preparation 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.

Lenten Prayer from Fr Gerry FAST LENT

Fast from judging others;	Feast on Christ dwelling in them.
Fast from fear of illness;	Feast on the healing power of God.
Fast from words that pollute;	Feast on speech that purifies.
Fast from discontent;	Feast on gratitude.
Fast from anger;	Feast on patience.
Fast from pessimism;	Feast on hope.
Fast from negatives;	Feast on encouragement.
Fast from bitterness;	Feast on forgiveness.
Fast from self-concern;	Feast on compassion.
Fast from suspicion;	Feast on truth.
Fast from gossip;	Feast on purposeful silence.
Fast from problems that overwhelm;	Feast on prayer that sustains.
Fast from anxiety;	Feast on faith.

Young Adult Faith and Friendship Group The next meeting will take place this coming **Wednesday 25th February at 7.30pm** in the Sacristy here in St Pius X. The group is open to the 18-30 age group, for informal chat about faith of young people today, sharing experiences and expectations of the Church today. If you are interested please do come along on Wednesday or have a chat with Fr Pat or D Gerry. All are very welcome.

Legion of Mary The Annual Mass for the Beatification of Servant of God Alfie Lambe takes place on Sunday 1st March at 12.30pm in St Agnes's Church Crumlin. Chief Celebrant is the Papal Nuncio His Excellency Luis Mariano Montemayor.

Parish of St. Jude the Apostle's Newsletter
Saturday 21st - Sunday 22nd February 2026
1st Sunday of Lent, Year A.

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 Feb 22nd. 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.

Email stjudesparishwillington@gmail.com

Phone +353 (0)1 4600127, **Eircode D6W YH51.**

Parish website www.stjudesparish.net

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

Mass Intentions

Saturday 21st 5.30pm

Maureen Kenny (Rec Dec),

James Furlong (3rd Anniv),

Tom and Peggy Lahiff (Sp Int),

Anon (Sp Int),

Valerie Maguinness (Rec Dec),

John Connell (10th Anniv),

Mary and John Crean (Sp Int),

Mary Malone (B/Day Rem).

Sunday 22nd 10.00am

Ray Colgan (Months Mind),

Catherine Harrington (Anniv),

Alli McDonnell (Anniv),

Christina Carey (24th Anniv),

Mary Fox (Rec Dec),

Mary and Patrick Byrne (Annivs),

Terry White (Anniv),

Pete Figgis (1st Anniv),

Eileen Daly (B/Day Rem).

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

READINGS

Year A.

A reading from the book of Genesis (Gen 2:7-9; 3:1-7)

The Lord God fashioned man of dust from the soil. Then he breathed into his nostrils a breath of life, and thus man became a living being. The Lord God planted a garden in Eden which is in the east, and there he put the man he had fashioned. The Lord God caused to spring up from the soil every kind of tree, enticing to look at and good to eat, with the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the middle of the garden. The serpent was the most subtle of all the wild beasts that the Lord God had made. It asked the woman, 'Did God really say you were not to eat from any of the trees in the garden?' The woman answered the serpent, 'We may eat the fruit of the trees in the garden. But of the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden God said, "You must not eat it, nor touch it, under pain of death."' Then the serpent said to the woman, 'No! You will not die! God knows in fact that on the day you eat it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods, knowing good and evil.' The woman saw that the tree was good to eat and pleasing to the eye, and that it was desirable for the knowledge that it could give. So she took some of its fruit and ate it. She gave some also to her husband who was with her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened and they realised that they were naked. So they sewed fig-leaves together to make themselves loin-cloths. *The Word of the Lord.*

Thanks be to God.

Psalm (Ps 50:3-6.12-14.17) **R Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we have sinned.** Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness. In your compassion blot out my offence.

O wash me more and more from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin. **R** My offences truly I know them; my sin is always before me. Against you, you alone have I sinned; what is evil in your sight I have done. **R** A pure heart create for me, O God, put a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, nor deprive me of your holy spirit. **R**

Give me again the joy of your help; with a spirit of fervour sustain me.

O Lord, open my lips and my mouth shall declare your praise. **R**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans (Rm 5:12-19)

(For Shorter Form, read between → ←).

→Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned.← Sin existed in the world long before the Law was given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of 'law-breaking,' yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law. Adam prefigured the One

to come, but the gift itself considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man's fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift. The results of the gift also outweigh the results of one man's sin: for after one single fall came judgement with a verdict of condemnation, now after many falls comes grace with its verdict of acquittal. →If it is certain that death reigned over everyone as the consequence of one man's fall, it is even more certain that one man, Jesus Christ, will cause everyone to reign in life who receives the free gift that he does not deserve, of being made righteous. Again, as one man's fall brought condemnation on everyone, so the good act of one man brings everyone life and makes them justified. As by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by one man's obedience many will be made righteous.← *The Word of the Lord.* **Thanks be to God.**

Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

A Reading from the holy Gospel according to Mathew (Mt 4:12-23)

Jesus was led by the Spirit out into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, after which he was very hungry, and the tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to turn into loaves.' But he replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.' The devil then took him to the holy city and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God' he said, 'throw yourself down; for scripture says: He will put you in his angels' charge, and they will support you on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.' Jesus said to him, 'Scripture also says: You must not put the Lord your God to the test.' Next, taking him to a very high mountain, the devil showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. 'I will give you all these', he said, 'if you fall at my feet and worship me.' Then Jesus replied, 'Be off, Satan! For scripture says: You must worship the Lord your God and serve him alone.' Then the devil left him, and angels appeared and looked after him. *The Gospel of the Lord* **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Lord, in you we live and move and have our being.

NOTICES:

DIVINE MERCY CONFERENCE Friday 27th, Saturday 28th February & Sunday 1st March Main Hall, RDS, Ballsbridge D.4.

Kimmage Manor Lenten Talks Each Wednesday during Lent presenters / guests will speak about their life's story which includes their faith. The first talk Weds 25th Feb in Lower Community Room, Spiritan Missionary Residence. All are welcome.