



# The Parish of **Ss. Thomas & Edmund of Canterbury** **Erdington Abbey**

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SUNDAY: 6.00pm (Vigil Sat) 8.00, 9.15, 10.30, 12.00, 6.00pm

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 10.00am. 7.30pm. Tuesday, Friday 10.00am Saturday 9.30am

Confessions: Wednesday 10.30am-11.00am Saturday 10.00-11.00am and 4.30-5.00pm

Novena Service: Wed: 7.00pm. Legion of Mary: Monday 10.45am. Prayer Group: Thursday 8.00pm.

Parish Office 9-11am and 1-4.30pm. Holy Shop Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10.30-12.00noon and 2.30-3.45pm Closed Wednesdays

Sixth Sunday of ordinary time A

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16<sup>th</sup> February 2014

### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> February

6.00pm. Mary & John Fitzpatrick RIP

#### Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February

8.00am. Hilda & Geoff Green RIP

9.15am. Corrigan Family RIP

10.30am. Bridie Dunne RIP

12 noon. Michael & Elizabeth

Franklin & Rita Hodgkiss RIP

6.00pm. All Parishioners

#### Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February

10.00am. Sylvia Edmonds RIP

7.30pm. Aleykutty Thomas RIP

#### Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February

10.00am. Deirdre Taylor

12.00noon Wasyl Tatarczuk

### Requiem

#### Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February

10.00am. William Gannon RIP

7.30pm. Private Intention

#### Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February

10.00am. Phyllis Carey

7.30pm. Sr. Terese Mary

#### Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February

10.00am. Nathan Danks

#### Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> February

9.30am. Marcella Power

6.00pm. Gerard Short RIP

#### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February

8.00am. All Parishioners

9.15am. Jean Clayton RIP

10.30am. Brendan Fleming RIP

12.00noon. Sean Johnson RIP

6.00pm. Darren McGrory RIP

Collection: £2,088.39

CAFOD: £22.48

Holy Souls: £17.90

Zimbabwe: £8.80

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection:

Catholic Education Service

Thank you for your  
generosity

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Helen Hartley, John Morrissey, Michael Murphy, Norah Brennan and Tom Smith who are sick.

**HALF TERM HOLIDAY:** Hopefully the weather will not spoil this time. Enjoy!

**NO ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT THIS WEEK:** The Church will be closed after morning Mass during the week.

**HOLY SHOP:** Open mornings only this week, 10.30am until 12.00noon, closed all day Wednesday.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** For SVP shop in Central Square, High Street. Just call into the shop during the day between 10.00am and 4.00pm.

**ANYONE FOR BRIDGE?** It has been suggested that a Bridge Drive be held in the Abbey Hall on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2014 in aid of the Heating Fund. The formula would be a 1.30pm start with a good quality tea served at approx. 3.15pm. Play would cease at 4.45pm with the Prize giving at 5.00pm. If you would like to participate as a player, or helper with the refreshments, please contact Peter Towers on 308 7047. A minimum number to justify the event would be 10 tables i.e. 40 players.

**The RYM Young Adult Group (18-35years)** The next meeting is Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm in the Abbey Hall. Why not join us for a time of faith and friendship?

**The RYM Youth Group (12-17years)** Next meeting is Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February from 7-8.30pm in the Abbey Hall. If you are interested in joining either group please contact Paul Murphy (Co-ordinator of Youth Ministry) on 0775 123 7473 or email paul.murphy@redemptorists.co.uk. *You can also follow us on Twitter @RYM-GB.*

**NO COFFEE MORNING** this Wednesday (19<sup>th</sup>) back to normal next week

**ABBEY 500 + TOTE:** Winning numbers were 2, 10, 12 & 19. MP Kelly and A. H Brookes had three correct numbers and each receives £36.00

Next Weeks Jackpot will be £850.00

Be in it to win it!

Archbishop Vincent Nichols will be made a Cardinal at the next Consistory, on 22<sup>nd</sup> February. The Bishops have suggested that the parishioners in the Archdiocese of Liverpool, Birmingham and Westminster might together make him a financial gift as a sign of our congratulations and affection for him at this time, and in recognition of the honour now bestowed on him by Pope Francis. So Archbishop Vincent would like the gift to go to the "Friends of the Holy Land" of which he is a valued Patron. So next Sunday we will have a second collection for this.

### Parish Priest's Corner No Parish Surgery this Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>

A lot of Christians look upon their faith as a set of commandments to be obeyed and practices to be faithfully kept. Jesus' message to us today is: our faith is much more than rules and observances imposed from outside. Our faith is within us, in our hearts, and that faith tells us what to do; the Spirit is prompting us. But remember we can do nothing without Jesus. He is our model and our strength and we are united to him. We ask in him this eucharist to help us see and do what is right.



On a lighter note

Aspiring student psychiatrists from various colleges were attending their first class on emotional extremes. 'Just to establish some parameters.' said the professor, to the student from Oxford University, 'What is the opposite to joy?' 'Sadness,' replied the student. 'And the opposite of depression?' the professor asked the young lady from Cambridge. 'Elation', said she. 'And you sir,' he said to the young man from Devon. 'How about the opposite of woe?'. He replied, 'Sir, I believe that would be giddy-up.'

Fr. Gabby C.Ss.R.

