



The Parish of **Ss. Thomas & Edmund of Canterbury**

Erdington Abbey

The parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No. 234216

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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.

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

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12th March 2017

Mass Intentions

Saturday 11th March

6.00pm. Sean Johnson RIP

Sunday 12th March

2nd Sunday of Lent

8.00am. Michael Lambe & Family

9.15am. Lane & Murphy Family RIP

10.30am. Michael Farrell RIP

12.00 noon. Mackessy Family RIP

6.00pm. All Parishioners

Monday 13th March

10.00am. Jack Farrelly & Sharon Smyth RIP

7.30pm. Frances Watchorn

Tuesday 14th March

10.00am. Tom & Winifred Madden RIP

Wednesday 15th March

10.00am. Sr. Patricia McGrath

7.30pm. James Mooney RIP

Thursday 16th March

10.00am. Ivy Wright RIP

7.30pm. Sigitas Valancius RIP

Friday 17th March

St Patrick's Day

10.00am. John O'Malley RIP

1.30pm. Josie O'Neill *Requiem*

Saturday 18th March

9.30am. Elizabeth Birch

6.00pm. Kitty M'Donnell RIP

Sunday 19th March

3rd Sunday of Lent

8.00am. Coleen Tunney RIP

9.15am. Margaret & James O'Hara

10.30am. Sandra Boland

12.00 noon All Parishioners

6.00pm. Deborah Pettifer RIP

PLEASE PRAY FOR Betty Lordan and Jim Wiseman who are sick and for Josie O'Neil and Shirley Burl who have died.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS at 7pm on Thursdays and after the 10.00am Mass every Fridays during Lent.

Penitential Service: Tuesday 11th April at 7.30pm. Please think about this important sacrament and receive its benefits.

CAFOD LENT FAMILY FAST DAY: Thank you for your support of CAFOD's long - term development work through these Fast Day contributions. Please place your **CAFOD envelopes in the red basket** at the offertory collection.

THE SVP will be collecting food items for the Erdington Food Bank this weekend. Thank you for your donations. The retiring collection for the SVP will be next week.

ECUMENICAL SERVICE for all affected by cancer, at St Chad's Cathedral on Sunday 19th March at 3.00pm, with His Grace Archbishop Bernard and guest speakers.

The RYM Young Adult Group (18-35years) Meeting on Tuesday 14th March at 7pm outside Starbucks inside New Street station, for the Homeless Mission. Paul Murphy will be leaving this post at Easter. I thank him for his time here.

COFFEE MORNING this Wednesday after the 10.00am Mass. Please join us this week for our St. Patrick's Day celebration.

HOLY SHOP: St Patrick's Day cards and badges and Mothers Day cards now on sale.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2017: Monday 21st to Friday 25th August. Total cost for a shared room £590. Booking forms available from the Parish Office. Flying from Birmingham on a schedule flight. 30 places booked and available at current price. Further details from Nicholas Bartleet on 07778857369.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT help needed on Fridays from 10.30-11.00am and 11.00am-11.30am. If you can help please contact the Parish Office.

CHURCH FLOWERS FOR EASTER If you would like to sponsor flowers in the church in memory of a loved one please leave the name and donation in the parish office. A list of those to be remembered will be in the church porch on Easter Sunday.

ARCHDIOCES OF BIRMINGHAM PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM: Saturday 13th May. Led by the Right Rev. Robert Byrne. Contact Diocesan Organiser Tel: 0121 440 8263. See Poster in Porch.

JUMBLE SALE AND FUN DAY: At Malcolm Locker Youth Centre, off Rogerfield Rd, B23 5UR. On Saturday 18th March 11am-2pm. 0121 382 7961. See poster in porch.

ABBEY 500 + TOTE: No Hit. Winning numbers 1, 13, 20 & 24. Bridget Boxwell had three correct numbers and receives £32.00.

Next weeks Jackpot £1,000.00. Be in it to win it!

Parish Priest's Corner

I had a good report from my oncologist on Monday. I now have to try and start having certain foods by mouth. Also during the week I had a visit from the Dietician who is also pleased with the weight I have put on so far. Its up to me now to grow into my clothes again!

I hope you are doing well with your Lenten exercises, remember we have daily masses here which I encourage you to attend during this season. I also want to highlight the **Penitential Service on Tuesday 11th April at 7.30pm.**

Thank you once again for the masses you have requested for me and all your prayers.

♪♪♪ *On a lighter note*

A man walked into a Pizza shop to order a pizza. "Certainly said the assistant what kind would you like?" "Pepperoni" said the man. When the pizza was ready the assistant said "Would you like it cut into six or eight?" "Oh six" replied the man, "I couldn't possibly eat eight!"

Fr. Gabby C.Ss.R.

Collection: £2,029.15
Cathedral
Maintenance: £982.86
CAFOD: £45.45
Holy Souls: £44.79
Zimbabwe: £5.80

Family Fast
CAFOD Envelopes

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