



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

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

**Served by the Redemptorists since 1922**

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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: Monday, Tuesday Thursday and Friday 9-11am and 1-4.30pm. Wednesday: morning only.

Holy Shop: Mornings only 10.30-12noon until September. Closed all day Wednesdays

18<sup>th</sup> August 2019

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**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> August**

6.00pm: Mary & Michael  
Mungovan RIP

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August**

8.00am: Anthony Daly  
9.15am: All Parishioners  
10.30am: Patrick & Agnes  
Finn RIP  
12.00 noon: Seamus & Bridget  
Boyle RIP

6.00pm: Agnes Moloney RIP

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> August**

10.00am: Holy Souls  
7.30pm: Sheila M<sup>c</sup>Gee RIP

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> August**

10.00am: Jackie Wilson RIP

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August**

10.00am: Martin, Kitty & Crissy  
O'Reilly RIP  
7.30pm: Alesandro Perez  
Mejuto RIP

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August**

10.00am: Jane Annett RIP  
7.30pm: Bridie Purcell RIP

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August**

10.00am: Mary Baines RIP

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> August**

9.30am: Maureen  
O' Connor RIP  
6.00pm: Bridget & Kevin  
Mooney RIP

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August**

8.00am: All Parishioners  
9.15am: George Matty RIP  
10.30am: Timothy  
O'Sullivan RIP  
12.00 noon: Tom Boyle  
6.00pm: Harry Renshaw RIP

Collection: £1,848.29

CAFOD: £14.18

Zimbabwe: £2.70

Holy Souls: £3.89

Thank you for your  
generosity

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Fr Gabby, Martin Whelan, Kath Buckley, Anabella Maric, Gretta Lynch, Theresa Bolger, Michael Moore and Dee Dunstan who are sick and for Julie Cronin who has died.

**SVP FOODBANK** Thank you for your generous donations to the Erdington Foodbank

**LOURDES PILGRIMAGE:** The Parish Pilgrimage sets off tomorrow morning (Monday) at 7.00am. Fr Maurice will be leading the Pilgrimage this year. Please place your petitions in the box in front of the lectern by the end of this evening's Mass. All of your petitions will be placed at the Grotto. Each day at Mass we will be saying our prayer for our pilgrims as they in turn will be praying for us at the Grotto.

**LITTLE SISTERS OF POOR** will be here next weekend 24/25 August to take up their annual retiring collection to help them continue their care of the elderly at St Joseph's Home in Harborne. The Little Sisters of the Poor have devoted their lives to care for the elderly in their time of need. One of our parishioners is in residence with the Sisters. I am sure you will give them a generous welcome!

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS** the RCIA Programme will start again in October. This yearly programme will prepare adults who are seeking to become Catholics at the Easter Vigil 11th April 2020. It is also an excellent opportunity for you, as a Catholic, to deepen your understanding of the Faith and accompany those who are making this journey into the Church. Please contact the Parish Office to arrange for an appointment with Fr. Elias on his return.

**CHILDREN WHO ATTEND NON CATHOLIC SCHOOLS:** Parents of children starting Year 3 and Year 6 who attend non Catholics school please contact the Parish Office about your children attending classes in the coming year in preparation for the celebration of their First Communion and/or Confirmation. Please have your child registered before the end of September.

**THE CHURCH** will be closed after the morning Mass during the week. It will be opened again at the usual time during the evening.

**HOLY SHOP** will be open mornings only 10.30-12noon until September. (Closed all day Wednesdays).

**SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SHOP:** If you can spare a few hours a week to volunteer to work in the SVP shop in Central Square, High Street, Erdington, please contact Sheila on 0121 382 9021.

**HOLIDAY CLUB** available at the Abbey Marmadukes Club during the summer holidays 22<sup>nd</sup> July—2<sup>nd</sup> September. Enquiries please phone 07708884762 or 07711202038. (They are based at the bottom of the school drive on the right hand side of the car park).

**WHIST CLUB** meets every Tuesday in the Abbey Hall from 1-3pm. New players more than welcome to come along and join in.

**ABBEY 500 + TOTE:** Winning numbers. 7, 8, 18 & 24. No Jackpot winners this week. No winners from the Abbey this week. Next week's Jackpot will be £725.00

Fr Dickinson writes...

We received an email from Fr Elias to say that on arrival in Zimbabwe he had spent a day with the brethren in Harare and was on his way south to stay with his family. My grateful thanks to Fr Kieran who has done sterling work this past week while I have been out of action with back spasms. Unlike many of you, I have only recently discovered that the problem with having a back is that you can't keep an eye on it yourself, and you need to be a contortionist to administer any medication it needs. And spasms are wily little imps. If you slap a heat pad on one it just moves to a cooler spot and carries on its antics there! Down, boy!