

# The Parish of Sts. 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.

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

Holy Shop: 10.30-12noon and 2.30 until 3.45pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday. Closed all day Wednesdays

3<sup>rd</sup> November 2019

Thirty-first Sunday Year C

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## Mass Intentions

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**

**3<sup>1st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary  
Time**

6.00pm: Julie Cronin RIP

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November**

8.00am: All Parishioners

9.15am: Mabel Moran RIP

10.30am: Franciszek Skrakowski  
& Bronislaw Jalowiecka RIP

12.00 noon: Alden Family RIP

6.00pm: Holy Souls

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November**

10.00am: Philip Marron RIP

7.30pm: Holy Souls

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November**

10.00am: Holy Souls

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November**

10.00am: Holy Souls

7.30pm: Holland & Woulfe  
Families RIP

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November**

10.00am: Holy Souls

7.30pm: Eugene Lynch RIP

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November**

10.00am: Holy Souls

11.30am: Kathleen

Turrell-Derby Requiem

**Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November**

9.30am: All Deceased

Redemptorists

6.00pm: Holy Souls

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November**

**Remembrance Day**

8.00am: Holy Souls

9.15am: James Burden RIP

10.30am: John & Shaun

Maloney RIP

12.00 noon: Peter Sexton RIP

6.00pm: All Parishioners

Collection: £1815.18

CAFOD: £13.46

Zimbabwe: £4.10

Holy Souls: £8.27

Thank you for your  
generosity

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Anabella Maric, Dee Dunstan, Kathleen Boyle Snr and Tess Reidy who are sick and for Eileen Gordon (formerly known as Doyle) who has died.

**BLESSING OF GRAVES** at the Abbey today at 1.00pm. Please gather in the Church for a short service. There will be four priests blessing the graves today so hopefully you won't be waiting too long. Other Blessing of Graves as follows: Handsworth 2.30pm on 10th November, Rectory Road 3.00pm on 10th November, Newhall 2.30pm on 17th November and Witton 2.30pm on 24th November.

**MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS:** Holy Souls box is placed in front of the Lectern. **Please put the names of those you wish to be remembered into the box along with your offering.** A Mass will be offered each day in November for the Holy Souls. A list of those who died during the past year will be displayed in the porch and a Mass of Remembrance will be celebrated for them on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm

**Holidays:** If you have been away, welcome back. If you have stayed at home, I hope you have had a rest.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** starts again this Monday (4th) We still need more people to give a half hour if you can, please.

**COFFEE MORNING** on Wednesday after Mass in the Hall. Please come and join us.

**ABBAY PARISH CHRISTMAS FAYRE SATURDAY 7<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER** from 10am-1.00pm, in the Abbey Hall. The next five weeks see the run up to the Abbey Christmas Fayre so I hope you're looking through your cupboards at home to find any suitable items we can use on the tombola or even a gift for the Grand Prize Draw. Read on to get all the information—Thanks! **GRAND PRIZE DRAW** raffle tickets will be given out after Masses this weekend and next. 1<sup>st</sup> prize £400. 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize £100 and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize Panto Tickets plus many other prizes. Tickets 50p each or £2.50per book. We will be handing tickets out in batches of two books. Please do your best to sell them and return the money and completed stubs, together with any unsold tickets to church or the Parish office by 6th December.

**We would also welcome donations such as gift sets or vouchers suitable for the Christmas raffle.** Please leave with Claire or in the Tote hut or take to the Parish Office during the week. **If you can help with setting up the Grotto on the Tuesday evening 26th November from 6pm and also Friday 6th December from 6.00pm or help out on the day, please give your contact details in at the parish office.**

**THE ABBAY CHRISTMAS OCTAVE CARDS** on sale in the Holy Shop price 50p. This year's design features a painting of the Abbey Church by Clive Ashton. The card promises an Octave of Masses for your relatives and friends from 25<sup>th</sup> December to 1<sup>st</sup> January. There is a box in the Holy Shop where you can place your list of intentions and donations. Abbey diaries and Christmas stock now on sale. **PARISHIONERS** are invited to join the Abbey School at their annual Remembrance Day Service on Monday 11th November in the school playground. Please arrive by 10.35am for a 10.45am start. Thank you. RSVP to j.crowhurst@abbeyrc.bham.sch.uk.

**ABBAY PTFA QUIZ NIGHT** on Friday 22nd November 8pm in the School Hall. Teams of up to 8 persons or come and join a team on the night. Bar available. £2 per person.

**ABBAY 500 + TOTE:** No Hit Jackpot this week. Well done to FM Kelly from the Abbey who had three correct numbers and receives £100.00. £100.00 can't be sneezed at, so why not give the Tote a go? £1.00 a week. Next week's Jackpot will be £275.00. Be in it to win it!

## Parish Priest's Corner

I have noticed in the various Shopping areas that the Christmas lights are up and ready to be turned on! And not to be left behind here at the Abbey our preparation for Christmas has started with the Choir practicing their carols and the Christmas Fayre preparations under way. Do take the Grand Prize Draw tickets away with you to sell—Fr Dickinson has already sold two books to me! Have a blessed week Fr. Elias C.Ss.R