

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

1<sup>st</sup> March 2020

First Sunday of Lent

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## Mass Intentions

### Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> February

6.00pm: Bernadette Davey RIP

### Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March

#### First Sunday of Lent

8.00am: Hilda & Geoff Green RIP

9.15am: Eileen Gilbert RIP

10.30am: Margaret M'Ilkenny RIP

12 noon: Sheila Kilmartin RIP

6.00pm: All Parishioners

#### Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March

10.00am.: Helena Majewicz RIP

7.30pm : Philip Harison RIP

#### Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

10.00am: Abraham Mathew

#### Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March

10.00am: John Reaney RIP

7.30pm: Con & Kitty Driscoll RIP

#### Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March

10.00am: Arthur Murray RIP

1.00pm: Julia Hamilton *Requiem*

7.30pm: Abbey Prayer Group

#### Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March

10.00am: Daniel Burgess RIP

#### Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March

9.30am: Mary T. Daly RIP

6.00pm: Michael M'Mahon RIP

#### Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March

#### Second Sunday of Lent

8.00am: All Parishioners

9.15am: Roddy & Delia Delaney RIP

10.30am: Siobhan Crean &

Catherine Lyne RIP

12.00noon: Thanksgiving

(Davoren)

6.00pm: Mrs M'Loughlin RIP

Collection: £1,659.66

Survive Miva: £1,617.09

CAFOD: £12.17

Zimbabwe: £1.50

Holy Souls: £9.52

2nd Collection:

Cathedral Maintenance

Thank you for your generosity

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Anabella Maric, Dee Dunstan, Kathleen Boyle Snr and Tess Reidy who are sick and for Julia Hamilton and Mary Forbes who have died.  
**CORONA VIRUS.** Having discussed the situation about the Corona Virus and the effect of spreading any unnecessary germs it has been agreed in many parishes that the handshake at the sign of peace be removed and a verbal greeting of the words 'Peace be with you', 'And also with you' be said. Eucharistic Ministers please come into the sacristy before ministering to sanitise your hands before Mass. Holy water will remain in the font, it is up to individuals if you wish to use it. These are all precautionary measures that need to be put into practice in order to prevent any such virus spreading within the community. Thank you.

**HEALTH AND SAFETY PERSON.** If you have any training in this area or you are willing to go on a training course to become the Health and Safety Advisor for the parish, please speak to Fr Elias. Thank you.

**AT THE RITE OF ELECTION** this afternoon, the Abbey will be presenting their Catechumens and Candidates to the Archbishop at 3.00pm at St Chad's Cathedral. They will be received into the church at Easter. Please pray for them.

**THE SVP** will be collecting food items for the Erdington Food Bank next weekend. We are very grateful for any donations.

**THE NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP:** Please think about honouring Our Lady by attending each Wednesday at 7.00pm.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** on Thursday evenings of Lent at 7.00pm and after the 10.00am Mass on Friday during Lent.

**LENT EXTRA & WALK WITH ME :** your daily reading during Lent. Please pick up your copy from the church porch, £1.00. Please put all monies in the newspaper box.

**LEGION OF MARY:** Legionaries will be recruiting new members after Masses this weekend. Julianne Benjamin, President of the Legion in Birmingham, will speak at the 10.30am and 12.00noon Masses today. Leaflets are available in the Church Porch.

**COFFEE MORNING** this Wednesday after the morning Mass.

**E UCHARISTIC MINISTERS & READERS EVENING OF RECOL-LECTION:** Thursday 2nd April. Please make a note of this in your diary.

**Lenten Penitential Evening will be on Tuesday 7th April at 7pm.**

**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 no later than Wednesday 1st April. A list of those to be remembered will be in the church porch on Easter Sunday

**PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2020** 17th—21st August. 3 star accommodation at Hotel Beau Site. 30 places available at a fixed cost. Information sheets available from the church porch and booking forms available at the Parish Office.

**HOLY SHOP:** St Patrick's day cards and Mother's day cards on sale.

**ABBEY 750 + TOTE :** No jackpot hit. Winning numbers 6,19, 21 & 22. No winners from the Abbey this week. **Next Week's Jackpot £700.00**

## Parish Priest's Corner

So Lent is truly upon us! I hope you think about all the opportunities the parish is offering you during this season. Let us journey together in prayer. Have a blessed week. Fr Elias