

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



8th March 2020

Second Sunday of Lent

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Mass Intentions

Saturday 7th March

Second Sunday of Lent

6.00pm: Michael M^cMahon RIP

Sunday 8th March

8.00am: All Parishioners

9.15am: Roddy & Delia Delaney RIP

10.30am: Siobhan Crean &

Catherine Lyne RIP

12 noon: Thanksgiving

(Davoren)

6.00pm: Mrs M^cLoughlin RIP

Monday 9th March

10.00am: Jason Humphrys RIP

7.30pm: Barbara Johnson

Tuesday 10th March

10.00am: Des Furey RIP

Wednesday 11th March

10.00am: Holy Souls

11.30am: Mary Forbes *Requiem*

7.30pm: Private Intention

Thursday 12th March

10.00am: Catherine M^cAdams RIP

7.30pm: Fr. Joyce

Friday 13th March

10.00am: Michael Mahon RIP

11.30am: Dorothy

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Saturday 14th March

9.30am: Renee Fahy

6.00pm: Patsy Hallet

Sunday 15th March

Third Sunday of Lent

8.00am: Cathleen Jones

9.15am: Joan Mellody RIP

10.30am: Molly O'Sullivan RIP

12.00noon: Danny McCarthy RIP

6.00pm: All Parishioners

Collection: £1,793.23

Cathedral

Maintenance: £776.76

CAFOD: £ 28.66

Zimbabwe: £2.53

Holy Souls: £6.70

SVP Retiring Collection

Thank you for your generosity

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Anabella Maric, Dee Dunstan, Kathleen Boyle Snr, Tess Reidy and Susan M^cCormack who are sick.

Bi-Centenary of the death of St Clement Hofbauer CSsR.: This great saint who established the presence of the Redemptorist over the Alps into Europe is considered to be the co-founder of the Redemptorist Congregation. This Saturday (14th) the 9.30 Mass will be in his honour. Please come and celebrate with us.

THE SVP will be collecting food items for the Erdington Food Bank this weekend. Thank you for your donations. **SVP monthly retiring collection today.**

CAFOD LENT FAMILY FAST: Please pick up your Cafod envelope when you leave church today and bring it back next week placing it in the red basket during the offertory collection.

A good opportunity to give alms during Lent. Thank you very much..

STATIONS OF THE CROSS on Thursday at 7pm and after the 10.00am Mass on Friday during Lent.

COFFEE MORNING: after the 10.00am Mass. Please come and join us in the Hall.

Eucharistic Ministers and Readers: Your evening of Recollection will be on **Thursday 2nd April** starting with Mass at 7.30pm. Please make a note of this date in your diary. Thank you.

Lenten Penitential Evening will be on **Tuesday 7th April at 7pm.** There will be a number of priests available on the night.

Please keep in your prayers the RCIA candidates who will be received into the Church at Easter.

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.

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

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

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

Visitors outside the church door! Many of you have commented on the ladies who sit outside Church and in the car park with a cup for you to put money in. I have spoken to these ladies to try and assist them, offering them food but they were not forthcoming. After further investigation I think it is more of a business! I am very well aware that you, the parishioners of the Abbey, give so generously with the Food Bank each month and the second collections for various charities and I am very satisfied that your almsgiving is a credit you and the Abbey. So I am advising you not to give money and hopefully they will remove themselves from the premises. Thank you very much.

ABBEY PTFA are delighted to invite you to the comedy fundraiser on Friday 20th March at 7.30pm. Refreshments and snacks at the bar. Tickets £10 each available from Emma 07971633205 or Juliet 07967216369 or via email: ptfachair2@gmail.com.

PET BLESSING SERVICE in the Abbey Primary School play ground, on Friday 20th March at 8.30am. Please enter via the bottom gate. The pets will need to be supervised by an adult who has full control of them.

ABBEY 750 + TOTE: Jackpot No Hit. Mary Mungovan and Y Lafite had three correct numbers and each receive £50.00.

Next Week's Jackpot £725.00

Parish Priest's Corner

The Transfiguration in today's Gospel gives us a clear message from God the Father to listen to his Son, Jesus. We can do this through the Mass, through reading Scripture and through listening to each other. God gives us so many opportunities to come closer to his Son—let us not forget this during these days of Lent. Have a blessed week. Fr Elias