

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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"Acquire the habit of speaking to God as if you were alone with him, as to the dearest and most loving of friends"
St Alphonsus

31st May 2020

SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST

Mass Intentions Pentecost Sunday

Saturday 30th May

6.00pm: Private Intention

Sunday 31st May

8.00am: Michelle Gill RIP

9.15am: Christopher

Hannify RIP

10.30am: Jack Sweeney RIP

12 noon: Martin Dunne RIP

6.00pm: All Parishioners

Monday 1st June

10.00am: Jo Daly

7.30pm: John Reidy Snr RIP

Tuesday 2nd June

10.00am: Frank Boyle RIP

Wednesday 3rd June

10.00am: David Harris &

Family RIP

7.30pm: John & Kathleen

Joyce RIP

Thursday 4th June

10.00am: Kath Buckley

7.30pm: David Taylor RIP

Friday 5th June

10.00am: Richard Lutwyche RIP

Saturday 6th June

9.30am: Tony Finnegan

6.00pm: Eileen Behan

Sunday 7th June

8.00am: Donal Lynam RIP

9.15am: Doreen Wheelwright RIP

10.30am: Irene & Derek Hillin RIP

12.00noon: Brian M^cCashin

6.00pm: All Parishioners

Prayer to the Holy Spirit Lord,

*By the light of the Holy Spirit,
you have taught the hearts of
your faithful. In the same
Spirit help us to relish what is
right and always rejoice in
your consolation. We ask this
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Anabella Maric, Dee Dunstan, Imelda Holland, James Hageney and Helen M^cCormack who are sick.

PARISH OFFICE: Over the next 3 - 4 weeks alterations will be taking place in the Parish Office. This project has been on the back burner for a while and funds set aside for this essential work. When I say essential, it will bring the Office into Government Safeguarding Guidelines. This will ensure security for pastoral staff. This work will involve moving the computer system, creating a partition wall in the office to make a waiting area and finally painting. In order to keep to the timeline of events, please only visit the parish office if you really need to. I realise this week people will be collecting Gift Aid envelopes, please follow the instructions when collecting your envelopes. Thank you very much.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES: Envelopes will be available to collect from the Hall from 9.30-12noon this week. They will be in numerical order. If you are unable to collect please ring the office to make alternative arrangements.

Masses on Line : Fr Denis McBride CSsR, I have heard many parishioners say how lovely the Sunday Mass is from our house in Chawton. Fr Dickinson and myself listen to Fr Denis' sermon each week, which I must say is most inspiring. If you haven't gone online already then please do so. The Mass is available after 12 midday on Saturdays. Go to Redemptorist publications online mass. Let me know what you think!! You can still receive daily live streaming Mass from St Chad's at 12.15pm each week day. www.stchadscathedral.org.uk choose News and scroll down. **FOOD BANK—IMPORTANT NOTICE!** Due to the work being carried out in the Parish Office please could you bring any food items in the mornings only, 9.30-12noon. If you are bringing perishables, if at all possible, please could you bring them to the Hall on Mondays as our SVP members take the food to the Food Bank early Tuesday morning. If this is not possible, still bring the items as we will try to distribute them. Your continued support is overwhelming and very much appreciated by the Erdington Food Bank. I feel very proud that the Abbey are so responsive to such a needy cause. If you cannot bring items to the Hall yourself, please contact Mike Warom vice president of the SVP on 0121 218 3165.

HELP WITH SHOPPING OR PRESCRIPTION COLLECTION: Thank you to our volunteers who are helping our self-isolating parishioners. We continue to help those in need. If you need help with shopping or collection of prescriptions, the SVP can help. Please contact Mike Warom on 0121 218 3165.

My Dear Parishioners,

This week I would like you to remember in your prayers the children from Year 3 in Abbey school and the children from the parish who would be making their First Holy Communion around this time. The children have worked hard during the first part of the academic year for this wonderful and important occasion in their spiritual journey. Alas it is not known yet when we can safely proceed with the children receiving this sacrament. I ask the parents to continue to nurture their children by attending an online Mass on Sundays and praying with them every day. May the Holy Spirit guide the parents and the children in this difficult time. Some of our children will go back to school tomorrow. I'm sure they will be glad to see their friends and teachers. We must all continue to keep well and safe. *Have a blessed week. Elias CSsR*