

# 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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Safeguarding Officer: Marie Donoghue

Parish Office: 9.00am-12.00am and 1.00pm-4.00pm Monday to Friday. Closed Wednesday afternoon.

"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



22<sup>nd</sup> November 2020

## Solemnity of Christ the King

### Mass Intentions

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November**

**Presentation of the Blessed**

**Virgin Mary**

6.00pm: Holy Souls

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**

**Feast of Christ the King**

8.00am: All Parishioners

9.15am: Lucy M<sup>c</sup>Ginnell RIP

10.30am: Eamon Devlin & John

Conlon RIP

12.00noon: John Morrissey RIP

6.00pm: Holy Souls

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November**

10.00am: Holy Souls

7.30pm: Anne & Tony Holland RIP

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November**

10.00am: Holy Souls

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November**

10.00am: Holy Souls

7.30pm: Siobhan Hanway

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November**

10.00am: Ned Callaghan RIP

7.30pm: Holy Souls

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November**

10.00am: Holy Souls

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November**

9.30am: Redemptorist Deceased  
Parents & Relatives

6.00pm: Holy Souls

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November**

**First Sunday of Advent**

8.00am: Nancy M<sup>c</sup>Goldrick RIP

9.15am: John & Kathleen Joyce RIP

10.30am: Holy Souls

12.00noon: Chris Keane RIP

6.00pm: All Parishioners

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Anabella Maric, Dee Dunstan, Imelda Holland, Catherine Forde, Euston Hurd who are sick.

**Adoration** The Church will be open each day for private prayer between 10.30am and 11.30am.

**WALK WITH ME** Please pick up your Advent Walk With Me booklet, your spiritual journey in preparation for Christmas. A donation of £1.00 please to go in the basket on the table as you leave the church. Thank you.

**BLESSING OF GRAVES:** We are continuing to bless six graves each day during the month of November. This will be through an appointment system so that members of the family can be present and we can still adhere to the social distancing restrictions. Please ring the parish office for a date and time. May our loved ones rest in peace.

**The Holy Souls box** is placed before the Lectern each day during Adoration, for you to place the names of your family and friends who have died. **Please place your offering in the box.** A Mass will be said for the Holy Souls each day during November. A list of those who died during the past year is displayed in the porch.

**Parish Collection:** You can place your offering in the parish office (see opening times above) or in the basket when you leave Adoration on Sunday. Thank you very much.

**Bulletin:** if you know of anyone in the parish who would like a copy of the bulletin, please let the parish office know and our bulletin team will post one through the their door. Please give details to the parish office.

**Deacon Royston Price CSsR** will be ordained on Friday 4th December at 6.30pm. If you would like to contribute towards Deacon Royston's gift please put your offering in a sealed envelope clearly marked 'Deacon Royston's Ordination' and leaving it in the parish office. Thank you.

**ABBEY CHRISTMAS OCTAVE MASS CARD** Don't forget to buy your Abbey Christmas Mass card! Ideal to send to relatives and friends wherever they are in the world. It would be interesting to see how far our Christmas card travels! The picture this year is of the High Altar here at the Abbey in all its finery with the St Thomas of Canterbury drapes - a magnificent piece of needle work. By sending this Octave card, a Mass will be said daily for your relatives and friends from 25<sup>th</sup> December to 1<sup>st</sup> January. The card costs 50p and a donation for the Mass. Octave cards can be purchased as you leave church or from the parish office.

**ERDINGTON FOOD BANK:** Please bring items to the Parish Office between 9-12am and 1-4.00pm during the week, except Wednesday afternoon as the Parish Office is closed. Thank you. Please note if you are bringing fresh produce, this **MUST** be brought to the Hall on Monday. All other produce can be delivered to the Hall by Tuesday at 9.30am. Thank You.

**A FREE CD** of 'Stories by the Fireside' This is a tribute to the late Sr. Sabina who ran the Fireside Centre for many years. 'At a time when the importance of community, family and friends is at the fore front of our minds, "Stories by the Fireside" is a short collection of treasured memories from the Fireside friends and community. **SIFA FIRESIDE** is the primary service for adults over the age of 25 in Birmingham providing everything from crisis relief to long term recovery support. They support 3,500 people a year who are experiencing homelessness or are at risk. We have a limited supply so if you would like a CD, please ring 0121 373 0143 or you can pick one up from the parish office

**Dear Parishioners, Today is a special feast day - Feast of Christ the King. I wish you all a very Happy Feast. Today is also Youth Sunday so let us remember our young people in our schools, colleges and universities. May they keep safe and well and keep their trust in the Lord.**

**We have yet another leak in church! However I don't think it is too big a job. It will be looked at as soon as possible. Is there a patron saint for church roofs??**

**Fr Dickinson went for his appointment last Monday at the fracture clinic and thankfully he will not need surgery! He has a new cast which he will have for 5 weeks. He is in good spirits and thanks parishioners for their kind thoughts and prayers.**

**Have a blessed week. Fr Elias CSsR**

### Christ The King

Almighty and merciful God,  
you break the power of evil  
and make all things new in  
your Son Jesus Christ, the  
King of the universe. May  
all in heaven and earth ac-  
claim your glory and never  
cease to praise you.

Amen..