



The Parish of Ss. Thomas & Edmund of Canterbury
Erddington Abbey

The parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No. 234216

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MASSES: Saturday: 6.00pm (Vigil) Sunday: 8.00, 9.15, 10.30, 12.00, & 6.00pm.

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 10.00am & 7.30pm. Tuesday & Friday 10.00am. Saturday: 9.30am.

Wednesday Novena 7.00pm. Confessions: Wednesday 10.30am and Saturday 10.00am & 4.30pm

"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

12th September 2021

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Saturday 11th September

6.00pm: Healy & Kelly Families

Sunday 12th September

8.00am: Sheila & Michael
 O'Connell RIP

9.15am: Colin Heeley RIP

10.30am: Alex & James RIP

12.00 noon: Mary Carroll RIP

6.00pm: All Parishioners

Monday 13th September

St John Chrysostom

10.00am: Norbert & Pauline
 Richards RIP

7.30pm Carol Carpenter RIP

Tuesday 14th September

Exultation of the Cross

10.00am: Halliwell Family

12.30pm: Betty Daly **Requiem**

Wednesday 15th September

Our Lady of Sorrows.

10.00am: John Hanbury RIP

7.30pm: Philomena Fields RIP

Thursday 16th September

Ss Cornelius and Cyprian.

10.00am: Kathleen Lunham

11.00am Alan Crawford

Requiem

7.30pm: Private Intention

Friday 17th September

10.00am: Eve Kelly RIP

11.00am: John Farrell **Requiem**

Saturday 18th September

9.30am: Brenda Isdale RIP

6.00pm: Catherine Fallon

Sunday 19th September

8.00am: All Parishioners

9.15am: Maureen Doggrell RIP

10.30am: Franciszek

Skrakowski RIP

12.00 noon: Mary Carroll RIP

6.00pm: Margaret Kavanagh RIP

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Dee Dunston, Easton Hurd, Bridget Butler, Phyllis Carey, Evelyn Rose, Janina Surowiec and Maureen Roberts who are sick and James Shelley, Lizzie Rouse (nee Mackey) and Engelina Karimupfumbi who have died.

SVP: Thank you for your food donations today. The **SVP** will also be having their monthly retiring collection today. Thank you.

MINIBUS: The **SVP** would like to re-introduce collecting parishioners who are unable to get to Mass on their own on Sunday by arranging to pick them up from their home using the facility of the minibus to bring them to the 10.30 Mass each Sunday. If you think you would benefit from this service please contact Ronnie Sweeney (**SVP** member) on 07958939449. May I take this opportunity to thank the **SVP** members for all the work they do in the parish.

Young Adult Group Mass will be at 7:30pm on Monday 13th September here at Abbey, preceded by half- an- hour Adoration and Confessions, and followed by some socialising.

Flower Group: I would like to restart the flower group now that we are coming back to normal times! There will be a meeting this Friday 17th September at 5.00pm in the back sacristy. As before we will start a rota for groups to prepare the flowers in the Church. It will entail collecting the flowers and preparing them for the various statues in the Church or, for the more experienced, an arrangement on Our Lady's altar. This will need to be done as near to the weekend as possible so that they are fresh for the weekend. If you are interested please come to the side sacristy door on the 17th September. Why not come along and give it a go!

NEW PA SYSTEM IN CHURCH: Due to supply difficulties for some of the parts, the installation has been delayed.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS: Last call: if you are interested in joining the classes please contact the Parish Office to arrange for an appointment with Fr. Elias.

Next week there will be a second collection for Home Mission Sunday.

THE KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA are holding their annual sponsored walk in Sutton Park to raise funds for Sifa Fireside in Digbeth. Donations can be given on line:

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/KSC293> or on a pledge form. Please join the Knights and help raise funds for the homeless. Meet at Holy Trinity Sutton Coldfield after 10am Mass Saturday 25th September. Please contact Nicholas Bartleet for further details on 07778857369.

THE ANNUAL DEIOCESAN THANKSGIVING MASS for Marriage will take place on Saturday 9th October, 12noon at St Chad's Cathedral. If you are celebrating a milestone anniversary during 2021 (from your 1st up to 60th (every 5 years), and every year over 60) please email Lianne Pap (Marriage and Family Life Co-ordinator) marriage.mass@rcaob.org.uk for your names to be listed in the Mass.

O Jesus, your cross is life-giving! Your death and resurrection brought us salvation. Through the Holy Spirit, open our hearts so that we may be able to know that without sacrifice, we can never be your disciples. Amen.

Dear Parishioners, It was unfortunate that the fitting of the new PA system couldn't go ahead as planned. I'm not sure at this moment when the work will take place but at least it is in hand. I've heard that the 10.30 mass attenders enjoyed singing last week and the choir have been lubricating their voices ready to sing next week at this Mass. Hopefully it won't be long before we can have singing back again at the 9.15 and the 6.00pm Masses. My nephew had the chance to join the Church choir. I was quite surprised—I never thought he had it in hymn! Have a blessed week. *Fr Elias CSSR*