



# The Parish of Ss. Thomas & Edmund of Canterbury Erdington Abbey

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MASSSES: 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*

19<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September

6.00pm: Catherine Fallon

#### Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> 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

#### Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September

**Ss Andrew Kim Tae-gon &**

**Paul Chong Ha-sang and**

**Companions.**

10.00am: Patrick Boylan RIP

7.30pm Jane Donoghue

#### Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September

**St Matthew**

10.00am: Rose Reddan

#### Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September

10.00am: Jack & Alice Cuzick RIP

7.30pm: Maurice Andrews RIP

#### Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September

**St Pio of Pietrelcina**

10.00am: George Donohoe

7.30pm: Pat Loughlin RIP

#### Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September

**Our Lady of Walsingham**

10.00am: Roger Laing

#### Saturday 25<sup>h</sup> September

9.30am: Warom Family

6.00pm: Michael O’Hehir &

Family RIP

#### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September

8.00am: Margaret M<sup>c</sup>Dermott

9.15am: Louise & Ashley

Vaughan

10.30am: All Parishioners

12.00 noon: John & Margaret

Farrell RIP

6.00pm: Margaret Lennon RIP

*God of mercy you chose a  
tax collector, St Matthew,  
to share the dignity of the  
apostles. By his example  
and prayers help us to  
follow Christ and remain  
faithful in your service.  
Amen.*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Dee Dunston, Easton Hurd, Bridget Butler, Phyllis Carey, Evelyn Rose, Janina Surowiec, Maureen Roberts, Stephen O’Reilly and Kathleen Walsh who are sick.

**THE FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS** for our children at the Abbey school and also one child from the parish will take place next Saturday 26th September. This celebration should have taken place last June, but unfortunately for covid reasons they had to be postponed. So it is with great rejoicing that these children will come and receive the Sacrament on Saturday. Please keep these children in your prayers.

**NO CONFESSIONS** next Saturday morning because of the First Communions.

**MASS OF THANKSGIVING:** On Friday 8th October at 7.00pm, there will be a special Mass in thanksgiving for arriving at this stage of moving forward from the coronavirus, which has effected us all in so many different ways. I invite you all to come along and thank God that we have reached this moment.

**PRAYER GROUP:** As a result of the parish getting back to normal, the prayer group will be returning to the Abbey Hall again every Thursday, beginning on 23rd September at 8pm. All are welcome.

**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

**MASS COUNT:** The Mass count will take place over the next four weeks.

**CANDLES ON GRAVES:** A member of staff was taking an annual walkabout around the grounds when they noticed green foliage hanging over a lit candle on the grave. This is very dangerous and was immediately removed as it was a fire safety issue. **PLEASE DO NOT** put lighted candles on any of the graves or cremation plots in the cemetery. Thank you.

**FATHER HUDSON’S ANNUAL COLLECTION will be taken up next weekend**

**THE ANNUAL DIOCESAN 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 please email Lianne Pap (Marriage and Family Life Co-ordinator) marriage.mass@rcaob.org.uk for your names to be listed in the Mass booklet. The Mass is open to all married couples and those preparing to marry in 2021. Closing date to register for the Mass is 1st October.

**KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA:** Sponsored walk in Sutton Park 25th September Proceeds to Sifa Fireside. Donations can be given on line: Or contact Nicholas Bartleet 07778 857369.

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/KSC293> or on a pledge form. Details and sponsor forms in the Porch.

**St John Paul II Multi Academy** - Are currently looking to appoint a Safeguarding Support Officer at St Edmund Campion School. Please visit [www.johnpaulii.co.uk](http://www.johnpaulii.co.uk) for job description and application form or email [hr@sjp2.net](mailto:hr@sjp2.net) for further details. Closing date Friday 24th September, 2021 at noon.

Dear Parishioners,

It was very remiss of me to forget to tell our regular 10 o’clock attenders that the school children will be joining the parish Mass every Thursday morning. You set the good example to our children and I only hope that they will learn from you that the Mass is an important part of our Catholic faith. The 9.15 Mass is well underway with the children reading and leading the offertory procession. Today we have the choir singing at the 10.30 Mass—a real treat for the 10.30 Mass attenders as I know you have missed them. The Church is coming alive again, let us be thankful of that and rejoice in our Thanksgiving Mass on Friday 8th October at 7pm.