



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*

2nd October 2021

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Saturday 2nd October

6.00pm: Ruta Giluce RIP

Sunday 3rd October

8.00am: Thomas Graham RIP

9.15am: All Parishioners

10.30am: Bridie Gallagher

12.00 noon: Dillon Family

6.00pm: Maher & Hogan

Families RIP

Monday 4th October

St Francis

10.00am: George Hughes RIP

7.30pm: James

O'Donoghue RIP

Tuesday 5th October

10.00am: Pat & Margaret

Mulligan RIP

11.30pm: James Shelley

Requiem

Wednesday 6th October

10.00am: Lane & Murphy Family

7.30pm: Ann M^cNamee RIP

Thursday 7th October

Our Lady of the Rosary

10.00am: Brendan Fleming RIP

7.30pm: Phelan Family

Friday 8th October

10.00am: Ted Broderick RIP

7.00pm: **Thanksgiving Mass**

Saturday 9th October

St John Henry Newman

9.30am: Winnie & Joe Sue

6.00pm: Margaret Beirne

Sunday 10th October

8.00am: Frances Shelley RIP

9.15am: All Parishioners

10.30am: Alan Sajan

12.00 noon: Margaret

Thompson

6.00pm: Cecil Cawley RIP

O Lord, support us all the day long of this troublesome life, until the shades lengthen and the evening comes, the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over and our work is done; then Lord, in your mercy, grant us safe lodging, a holy rest and peace at the last, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

St John Henry Newman.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Dee Dunston, Easton Hurd, Bridget Butler, Phyllis Carey, Evelyn Rose, Janina Surowiec, Stephen O'Reilly, Cathy Booth and Kathleen Walsh who are sick.

MASS OF THANKSGIVING: this Friday 8th October at 7.00pm in thanksgiving for arriving at this stage of moving forward from the coronavirus. The pandemic has affected us all in some way. This is our way of thanking God, for now we can see our families and socialize again and we can worship together. Praise God.

NOVENA TO ST GERARD will start on Friday with a short reflection on the themes of St Gerard. We will celebrate the feast at the 9.30am Mass on Saturday 16th October—another moment to come together to celebrate!

PA SYSTEM: This week we will be having the new PA system fitted in Church. There may be a bit of disruption as you come into Church, therefore on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday there will be no said Rosary. I hope this won't be too disruptive for you. The school will **not** be joining the parish Mass on Thursday. No confessions on Wednesday.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Still a few more half-an-hour slots to be filled! It would help if those parishioners who do not have transport and who come to the 10 o'clock Mass could have the first half-an-hour and those who have transport come a little later on. Please register by visiting or ringing the parish office and leaving your details plus the day and time you would like to adore. Please think about spending some time in quiet personal prayer with Our Lord.

Our Choirmaster, Joe, will be having a heart operation this month and after today will need to be in isolation and of course recuperate after his operation, therefore the choir will not be singing for a few weeks. We wish Joe all the best and will keep him in our prayers.

MINIBUS: If you are willing to be an escort on the minibus which will be on a rota-based system please contact Ronnie Sweeney on 07958 939449. Your help is greatly needed in order to provide this vital service for our parishioners.

THE SVP will be collecting for Erdington Food Bank next weekend. Please leave your donations in the Church Porch. **THE SVP** will be having their monthly retiring collection next weekend to help those in need in the parish.

PRAYER GROUP: meet in the Abbey Hall every Thursday, at 8pm. All are welcome.

BIBLE STUDY: The next meeting will be Monday October 4th at 2pm in the Abbey Hall. New members welcome to learn more about the Word of God.

Second collection today is for the upkeep of the Church.

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

CHILDREN STARTING AT ABBEY PRIMARY SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2022: Information on Local Authority website www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions at the beginning of October 2021. Siblings applying for a place who are not baptised Catholics should make an appointment to see Mr M^cTernan to discuss the implications of this as soon as possible. All parents are encouraged to have a tour of the school on Thursday 4th November 9.30-10.30am and 1.30-2.30pm. Please park in the lower car park. Thank you.

Knights of St Columba thank Parishioners who supported them on their sponsored walk. Web page is open for donations to Sifa Fireside <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/KSC293> or Nicholas Bartleet on 07778 857369.

Dear Parishioners,

I hope parishioners will take notice of the help we need for escorts on the minibus run. Some of our elderly are looking forward to coming to Mass and with your help this will happen! Also to be able to have adoration we need parishioners to sign up for half-an-hour slots so please have a think about it.

It's good news that our new PA system will be fitted this week—just think you will be able to hear my sermons in stereo!!

Have a blessed week. *Fr Elias CSSR*