



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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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

10th October 2021

Twenty-Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Saturday 9th October

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

Monday 11th October

10.00am: John Dunn RIP

7.30pm: Maurice Doody RIP

Tuesday 12th October

10.00am: Joe Skrakowski

Wednesday 13th October

10.00am: James O'Hara

7.30pm: John Farrell RIP

Thursday 14th October

10.00am: Phyliss Carey

7.30pm: Betty Daly RIP

Friday 15th October

St Teresa of Avila

10.00am: Kathleen Darby RIP

11.30am: Maureen Roberts

Funeral Service

Saturday 16th October

Feast of St Gerard Majella

9.30am: Maureen & Liam

Tapley RIP

6.00pm: Tony Walsh RIP

Sunday 17th October

8.00am: Ann Baxter

9.15am: Fr John Kearns RIP

10.30am: Elveria & Tony

Collins RIP

12.00 noon: Peter Boyle RIP

6.00pm: All Parishioners

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Dee Dunston, Easton Hurd, Bridget Butler, Phyllis Carey, Evelyn Rose, Janina Surowiec, Stephen O'Reilly, Theresa Floyd, Suzanne Turrell-Derby and Kathleen Walsh who are sick and Maureen Roberts and Cathy Booth who have died.

FEAST OF SAINT GERARD: Our Novena to St Gerard started on Friday with a short reflection on the theme of St Gerard. This will continue each day at Mass. We will celebrate the feast on Saturday 16th October at the 9.30 Mass. I know many of you have a devotion to St Gerard so I am hoping as many of you will join us for the feast on Saturday. Saint Gerard Majella, pray for us.

NEW PA SYSTEM: Our new PA system was installed last week but unfortunately we are still waiting for parts to arrive for the loop system and the cd control panel. This will take about two to three weeks! Nevertheless, I do hope you notice the difference in the sound in Church. Let me know what you think?

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.

THE SVP will begin to bring Parishioners on the minibus, who are unable to get to Mass on their own, next Sunday. If you would like to help either by being a driver or an escort on a rota-based system, this would be very helpful. The more help we get the better the rota system! Please contact Ronnie Sweeney on 07958 939449. Thank you very much to those who have shown an interest and thanks too to the SVP members for organising this vital service for our elderly parishioners.

THANK YOU for your donations to the Erdington Food Bank today.

THE SVP will be having their monthly retiring collection today to help those in need in the parish and the local area.

BLESSING OF GRAVES at the Abbey on Sunday 7th November at 1.00pm

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

MASS COUNT: Today will be the last count.

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'Ternan 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.

Dear Parishioners,

It was good to see parishioners at the Thanksgiving Mass last Friday night and to hear the bells ringing as we came out of Church. May we truly begin to move forward and to keep thanking God for the blessings he has given us.

I am so grateful to so many parishioners who have helped in so many different ways during this past year or more. You have helped to keep the Abbey going in very difficult times—I thank you very much.

Bulletin Blunders: The sermon this morning: Jesus Walks on the Water. The sermon tonight: Searching for Jesus.

Have a blessed day. *Fr Elias CSsR*

St Gerard

passionate lover of Jesus crucified and his mother Mary, you spent your short life helping countless souls by your powerful prayers, especially mothers and families and so earning the title of “The Mothers Saint”

Pray for me that I may obtain what I earnestly ask in the name of Jesus and grant me the grace to accept wholeheartedly God's will in my life.
Amen