



**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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SUNDAY: 6.00pm (Vigil Sat) 8.00, 9.15, 10.30, 12.00, 6.00pm  
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 10.00am. 7.30pm. Tuesday, Friday 10.00am Saturday 9.30am  
Confessions: Wednesday 10.30am-11.00am Saturday 10.00-11.00am and 4.30-5.00pm  
Novena Service: Wed: 7.00pm.

Parish Office 9-11am and 1-4.30pm. Holy Shop Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10.30-12.00noon and 2.30-3.45pm Closed Wednesdays

21<sup>st</sup> May 2017

Sixth Sunday of Easter

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**Mass Intentions**

- Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May**  
6.00pm. Pat Daly RIP
- Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May**  
8.00am. All Parishioners  
9.15am. Michael Kenny RIP  
10.30am. Ted & Joan Kenny  
12 noon. C. M. Chandy RIP  
6.00pm. Tom Downey RIP
- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**  
10.00am. Seamus Madden RIP  
7.30pm. Angela Armitt
- Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May**  
10.00am. Philomena  
McGoldrick RIP  
11.00am. Mary *Ne Requiem*
- Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May**  
10.00am. Kitty Driscoll RIP  
7.30pm. Graham Allcott &  
Dave Pugh RIP
- Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May**  
10.00am. Frank Healy RIP  
7.30pm. Phil Hird RIP
- Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May**  
10.00am. Martin Swan
- Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May**  
9.30am. Mick Quinn RIP  
6.00pm. Ashan de Silva
- Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May**  
**Solemnity of the Ascension  
of the Lord.**  
8.00am. All Parishioners  
9.15am. Steve Flood RIP  
10.30am. Matilda Ferdinando RIP  
12.00 noon. Collis Family  
6.00pm. Pauline Richards RIP

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Gaynor Mackey and Mae Sarl who are sick and for Eileen Sullivan who has died.

**New Grotto:** I hope you have noticed the new statue which came from Hawkstone, which we have now enshrined to make a small grotto over looking the Abbey. My thanks to the Parishioner who generously paid and erected the mantle which covers Our Lady. Fr Maurice will bless the new shrine on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May after the 10am m Mass. Please do not place flowers or plants at the grotto as it will be looked after. Thank you.

**THE SVP** would like to thank you for your donations for the Erdington Food Bank and your generous donations for the SVP retiring collection last week. The SVP are also looking for volunteers to help in their shop in Erdington. Please ring Shelia: 382-9021.

**May Procession** will be at 3.00pm this afternoon (21<sup>st</sup>). Please join us for our annual procession around the grounds, in honour of Our Lady.

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** Please if you can spare some time to watch before the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesdays between 11.00am and 12.00noon please contact the Parish Office. *Adoration will finish on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May until Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June for the half term break.*

**SUNG VESPERS:** next Sunday at 5.00pm. If you have never been to this form of prayer give it a try next Sunday.

**THE PARISH OFFICE** will be closed from Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May until Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June. If you need to see a priest during this time please telephone 0121 373 0143.

**COFFEE MORNING:** No Coffee Morning for the next two weeks.

**PROJECT MANAGER** required for New Heights Community Project. Visit [www.fatherhudsons.org.uk](http://www.fatherhudsons.org.uk) for an application form or e-mail [personel@fatherhudsons.org.uk](mailto:personel@fatherhudsons.org.uk) quoting post reference number P1139. Closing date 26th May—Interviews 8th June 2017. See Poster in porch.

**SPRING FAIR:** In aid of League of Friends for John Taylor Hospice at Erdington Methodist Church, Station Road, Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May at 10.00am.

Community Fun Day & Jumble Sale at Malcolm Locker Youth Centre .See poster in the porch.

**ABBEY 500 + TOTE:** Winning numbers 6, 7, 11 & 21. No winner. Henry Mulhern and Eileen Gardner had three correct numbers and each receive £18.00.

**Be in it to win it! NEXT WEEKS JACKPOT £1,000**

**Parish Priest's Corner**

I received another dose of chemotherapy on Tuesday and from that I was told I needed a blood transfusion so I was back in hospital on Wednesday receiving blood. I have another treatment of chemotherapy next Tuesday, following that a Pet Scan on the 1<sup>st</sup> June and then an appointment to see my consultant to see where I am! Please continue to pray for me.

♪♪ *On a lighter note*

*Two boys were walking home after Mass after hearing a strong sermon from the priest about the devil. One said to the other, "What do you think about all this Satan stuff?" The other boy replied, "Well, you know how Father Christmas turned out. It's probably just your dad!"*

*Fr. Gabby C.Ss.R.*

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