



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. Legion of Mary: Monday 10.45am. Prayer Group: Thursday 8.00pm.

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

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Mass Intentions

Saturday 28th November

6.00pm. Holy Souls

Sunday 29th November

First Sunday of Advent

8.00am. Nancy M^cGoldrick RIP

9.15am. Diane Tsopanis-O'Neill RIP

10.30am. All Parishioners

12.00 noon. Mary Kelly RIP

6.00pm. Holy Souls

Monday 30th November

Feast of St Andrew

10.00am. Catherine Devenney RIP

7.30pm. Mass of Remembrance

Tuesday 1st December

Feast of St Edmund Campion

10.00am. Patricia Wood RIP

Wednesday 2nd December

10.00am. John & Nicholas
Smyth RIP

7.30pm. Jack Renfrey RIP

Thursday 3rd December

10.00am. John Dowling RIP

7.30pm. Bryan Downey RIP

Friday 4th December

10.00am. Mick Finnegan RIP

3.00pm. Holy Hour

Saturday 5th December

9.30am. Joan Birch RIP

6.00pm. Eric Smith RIP

Sunday 6th December

8.00am. All Parishioners

9.15am. Eileen & Maurice
Gilbert RIP

10.30am. Ann Neligan

12.00noon. Ollie Eivors RIP

6.00pm. Mary M^cMahon

Collection: £1,827.89

Upkeep of the Church:
£1,140.00

CAFOD: £28.18

Holy Souls: £12.27

Zimbabwe: £2.70

Thank you very much
for your generosity

Bible Alive
in usual place
for subscribers

Please pray for Anna Warnock who is sick and for Timothy Mulrennan who has died.

EVENING PRAYER today at 5.00pm, please come along and begin Advent well.

WALK WITH ME Please pick up your Advent "Walk With Me" booklet to help you in the coming Year of Mercy. Donations of £1.00 please put in the newspaper box.

MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS: your last days to remember your loved ones. . **On Monday 30th at 7.30pm a service of remembrance will be celebrated for those who have died during the passed year.**

REDMPTORIST ADVENT EXTRA in the porch. £1. Some reflective reading with a children's section in the middle.

HOLY HOUR for the first Friday at 3.00pm (4th Dec). Please join us in this time of veneration, and try and pop in with your children after school.

URGENT are you a drummer or do you anyone who is, please see Fr. Gabby.

ABBEY CHRISTMAS FAYRE Saturday 5th December in the Abbey Hall: 10.00am-1.00pm.

Please come along on the day and give your support. Bring the Children to visit Santa's Grotto, Tombola Stall, Cake stall, face painting, Guess the weight of the cake and lots more.

The Grand Prize Draw will take place at the fayre. Thank you for your very generous donations so far. **Please don't forget its still not too late to bring bottles for the Tombola**, good quality toys, gifts, fancy goods etc. You can bring them to the Parish Office during the week. **Also helpers needed for the Friday evening from 6.00pm and Saturday morning from 7.00am. Please contact the Parish**

Office. PRIZE DRAW RAFFLE TICKETS : Please remember to return counterfoils, money and unsold tickets by 4th of December. You can bring them to the Parish office during the week.

Flowers in Church in Memory of a loved one at Christmas. If you would like to contribute towards the cost of decorating the Church for Christmas in memory of a loved one, please leave your donation with the name of the persons you would like remembered in the Parish Office. Their names will be displayed in the Church Porch at Christmas.

CHRISTMAS OCTAVE CARD on sale in the Holy Shop price 50p. Abbey diaries also on sale 75p. Advent calendars, boxed Christmas cards and other gifts are available for sale.

COFFEE MORNING this Wednesday after the 10.00am Mass. Please come and join us

NATIVITY PLAY: Parishioners and Grandparents are invited to the Reception class Nativity Play at the Abbey School on Tuesday 15th at 2.15pm.

YEAR OF MERCY CD with the music of Mike Stanley RIP, copies from Fr. Gabby. £6.99.

ABBEY 500 + TOTE : No Hit. Winning numbers 2, 3, 4 & 20. No winners from the Abbey this week.

Next Weeks Jackpot will be £1000.00. Be in it to win it!

Rome Pilgrimage April 24-29th 2016. Please pick up your booking form from Fr. Gabby

Parish Priest's Corner Parish Surgery Thursday 3rd 4-6.00pm

A JUBILEE OF MERCY Pope Francis explains: 'My thought first of all goes to all the faithful who, will experience the grace of the Jubilee. I wish that the Jubilee Indulgence may reach each one as a genuine experience of God's mercy, which comes to meet each person in the Face of the Father who welcomes and forgives, forgetting completely the sin committed. To experience and obtain the Indulgence, the faithful are called to make a brief pilgrimage to the Holy Door, as a sign of the deep desire for true conversion. Likewise, I dispose that the Indulgence may be obtained in the churches which are identified as Jubilee Churches. It is important that this moment be linked, first and foremost, to the Sacrament of Reconciliation and to the celebration of the Holy Eucharist with a reflection on mercy. It will be necessary to accompany these celebrations with the profession of faith and with prayer for me and for the intentions that I bear in my heart for the good of the Church and of the entire world.

♪♪ On a lighter note

Did you hear about the two men who stole a calendar? They each got six months.

Fr Gabby C. Ss.R.

