



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

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MASSES: Saturday: 6.00pm (Vigil) Sunday: 8.00, 9.15, 10.30, 12.00, & 6.00pm.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 10.00am. Saturday 9.30am

Confessions: Wednesday 10.30am and Saturday 10.00am in the Abbey Hall after Mass.

7th February 2021

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Saturday 6th February

6.00pm: O'Brien Family

Sunday 7th February

8.00am: Liz Murray RIP

9.15am: Roddy & Delia Delaney

10.30am Colins & Rose

Families RIP

12.00 noon: All Parishioners

6.00pm: Margaret & James

Lennon RIP

Monday 8th February

10.00am: Bernie Heskin RIP

No Evening Mass

Tuesday 9th February

10.00am: Desy Maguire RIP

Wednesday 10th February

10.00am: Ian Moulton

No Evening Mass

Thursday 11th February

10.00am: Con & Kitty

Driscoll RIP

No Evening Mass

Friday 12th February

9.00am: William Gannon RIP

10.00am: Fr. Patrick Joyce

Requiem

Saturday 13th February

9.30am: Mai & Michael

Cusack RIP

6.00pm: Fr John Peyton

Sunday 14th February

8.00am: Julia Joseph

9.15am: Maureen Joyce RIP

10.30am: Maureen Flinter RIP

12.00 noon: All Parishioners

6.00pm: Sharron Gillespie

PLEASE PRAY FOR : Annabella Maric, Dee Dunston, Imelda Holland, Catherine Ford, Easton Hurd, Julie Barnes and Stephen O'Reilly who are sick.

FUNERAL MASS FOR FR. PATRICK JOYCE RIP: Fr Joyce will be received into Ss Mary & John's Church on Thursday 11th February with Mass at 6pm. The Requiem Mass will be here at the Abbey on Friday 12th February at 10.00am. His Grace Archbishop Bernard will be the main celebrant with other clergy from the diocese. Please remember we cannot have large numbers attending either the reception or the requiem, attendance will be by invite only. There will be stewards in the porch adhering to the track and trace system, please be respectful of this. I am pleased to say both the reception at Ss Mary and John's and the requiem at the Abbey will be live-streamed, just follow the address: www.facebook.com/groups/frjoycefuneral

Please note also that the usual 10 o'clock Mass on Friday 12th February will be moved to 9.00am due to the funeral. If you are coming by car it would be helpful if you could park off site so that the car park can be free for visiting clergy and members of Fr Joyce's family. Thank you very much.

CHURCH OPENING TIMES: During this period of lockdown our Church remains open for Mass. There will be the usual 10.00am morning Mass Monday to Friday and the 9.30am Mass on Saturday morning. The weekend Masses remain the same: Saturday 6pm(Sun), Sun: 8.00am. 9.15am. 10.30am 12.00noon and 6.00pm. There will be no 7.30pm Mass in the evening. **Confessions**: We will continue to have confessions in the Hall on Wednesday after the 10am Mass and Saturday after the 9.30 Mass.

THE PARISH OFFICE will remain open during the week from 9-12.00 and 1-4.00pm. Closed Wednesday afternoon. If you need to visit the office, please ensure you wear a face mask. Thank you. **HOLY SHOP** is closed during lockdown but you can get your Abbey Diary as you leave the church! Please place 75p in the basket. Thank you.

WALK WITH ME. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday 17th February and the diocese 'Walk with me' books are available at £1.00 each as you leave the church today.

THE SVP will be having their monthly retiring collection next weekend.

ERDINGTON FOOD BANK: Thank you for your continued donations to the Erdington Food Bank, they are very grateful for all the food handed in each week from the Abbey. We have had word through our SVP members that the Food Bank is struggling with providing meals for the homeless as so many are calling in and resources are running low. So we have an urgent appeal to ask if more parishioners could donate food. We will be going back to the arrangement before lockdown— every second Sunday of the month we will have the Erdington Food Bank Appeal. This will be for you to bring food items when you come to Mass and leave them in the porch. This will start from next Sunday. You can still bring items of food into the parish office during the week between 9-12 and 1-4pm. Thank you..

HELP WITH SHOPPING OR PRESCRIPTION COLLECTION: Reminder: during this lockdown period, if you or someone you know needs help with necessary shopping for groceries or collection of prescriptions, the SVP can help. Please contact Mike Warom (SVP Vice President) on 0121 218 3165 or the Parish Office 0121 373 0143 to arrange help for both of the above. Thank you.

PHONE BUDDY: Thank you to those who have volunteered to be a 'phone buddy'. This is another way the Abbey reaches out to those who need that little extra support. If someone you know, is feeling isolated and would like to keep in contact with other parishioners over the phone, please let us know and we can arrange this. Thank you.

*Dear Parishioners,
I hope you are all still coping with the lockdown. If you haven't had your vaccine yet, we will pray that you will have it soon.*

I hope you all have a good week.

Fr Elias CSSR