

The Parish of Ss. Thomas & Edmund of Canterbury

Erdington Abbey

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**HOLY WEEK**

**MONDAY: Masses: 10.00am.**

**TUESDAY: Mass:10.00am.**

**WEDNESDAY: Masses 10.00am No Confessions.**

**HOLY THURSDAY: Mass of the Last Supper: 8.00pm.**

**GOOD FRIDAY: Solemn Liturgy of the Passion 3.00pm**

**HOLY SATURDAY: Easter Vigil : 9.00pm**

28<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Palm Sunday

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> March**

**Palm Sunday**

6.00pm. Ita Henson RIP

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March**

8.00am: Johnny Carrabin RIP

9.15am: Miss Orange RIP

10.30am: All Parishioners

12.00 noon: Pam Madden RIP

6.00pm: Bridie Kiernan

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March**

10.00am: Pat & Malcolm Turner

7.00pm Penitential Service

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> March**

10.00am: Christy Reid RIP

7.00pm: Penitential Service

**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March**

10.00am: Mary E Kelly RIP

**Maundy Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April**

**8.00pm: Mass of the Last Supper**

Eucharistic Ministers & Readers

**Good Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April**

**3.00pm: Liturgy of the Passion**

**Holy Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> April**

**9.00pm: Easter Vigil:**

John Boxwell,

Toni-Marie Conlon &

Shannon Scarlett

**Easter Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> April**

8.00am: Julie Barnes RIP

9.15am: Martha D'Souza RIP

10.30am: Kathleen Holian RIP

12.00noon: Andrew Howley RIP

6.00pm: All Parishioners

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Fr. John Kearns, Dee Dunston, Imelda Holland, Catherine Ford, Easton Hurd, Stephen O'Reilly and Michael Rafferty who are sick and Anton McEvilly who has died..

**HOLY WEEK:** This year the directive from the Bishops Conference in England and Wales is that our Holy Week is to be celebrated in its simplest form. As I said in last weeks Bulletin, we are in a better position this year than last year and for this we must be very grateful. Let me go through what will be happening: **For our penitential services on Monday (29th) and Tuesday (20th) at 7.00pm, we have done our utmost to accommodate the number of parishioners adhering to social distance rules. Those who have ticked to say you will be present please could I ask that you have your name and contact details with you, this will prevent congestion on arrival.**

**Maundy Thursday:** The Church will be opened at 8.15pm. When the Church has reached its capacity parishioners will be directed to the Hall where they can watch the live-streaming. Readers and Eucharistic Ministers will be recommissioned at a later date. Please note there will be no symbolic 'Washing of the Feet' and no watching at the altar of repose after the service. Thank you.

**Good Friday:** The Church will be open at 2.15pm. Again when the church has reached its capacity the stewards will direct parishioners to the Hall where they can watch the live-streaming. There will be a collection for The Holy Places at this service. Please note there will be no Morning prayer, Walk of Witness or preached Stations of the Cross.

**Easter Vigil:** The Church will open at 8.15pm. Although our candidates will not be receiving the sacraments on this occasion, they will be present and remembered at this Mass. Once again if needed we will use the Hall for live-streaming. Please note there will be no Morning Prayer.

**TRACK AND TRACE IS REQUIRED FOR ALL SERVICES.**

**Live-streaming location: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/erdingtonabbeyparish>**

**STEWARDS MEETING:** Please could all stewards who have very kindly volunteered themselves for stewarding over the Triduum come to a meeting this Wednesday (31st) at 6.30pm in the Church. We will go through the services to make sure we are well organised and each service runs smoothly –thank you. If you are unable to attend please let Claire know.

**CHURCH FLOWERS FOR EASTER** If you would like to sponsor flowers in the Church for Easter in memory of a loved one please leave their name and donation in the Parish Office by Wednesday (31<sup>st</sup> March). A list of those to be remembered will be placed in the church porch for Easter.

**PARISH OFFICE** will be **closed** from **Good Friday until Monday 12th April**. If you wish to see a priest during this time please ring 0121 373 0143.

**HOLY SHOP** will remain closed until Monday 12th April.

**GIFT AID ENVELOPES:** As quite a few Gift Aiders signed up for the standing order, it has been necessary to reduce the Gift Aid envelopes. This means that we need to consolidate the envelope numbers; therefore, when you receive your new box it will most probably have a new number. We cannot start this process until after the 11th April (the end of the tax year) and so the envelopes for next year will not be available until late April. Thank you very much for all the offertories we receive.

*Dear Parishioners,  
As you can see we have tried to make the services in Holy Week as safe and as reverent as we possibly can. Whether at home or in Church, let us make this Holy Week a week to remember!*

*Let us be spiritually united as a community in our Lord's Passion and Resurrection. Have a Blessed Holy Week.*

*Fr Elias CSSR*