



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

The parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No. 234216

Served by the Redemptorists since 1922

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MASSSES: 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.

"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

25th April 2021

Fourth Sunday of Easter Year B

Mass Intentions

Saturday 24th April

6.00pm: Mary Tooth RIP

Sunday 25th April

8.00am: All Parishioners

9.15am: Michael Scally RIP

10.30am Tony Collins RIP

12.00 noon: Connor Family RIP

6.00pm: Fr Allen

Monday 26th April

10.00am: Richard & Mona

Murphy RIP

No Evening Mass

Tuesday 27th April

10.00am: Kate & John Lawlor

Wednesday 28th April

10.00am: Bridie & Martin

Molloy RIP

11.30am: Gordon Ashton

Requiem

No Evening Mass

Thursday 29th April

St Catherine of Siena

10.00am: Annie McGrath RIP

No Evening Mass

Friday 30th April

10.00am: Cynthia Sweeney RIP

Saturday 1st May

9.30am: Chandy Alex &

Annakutty Mathew RIP

6.00pm: Gerard Murphy RIP

Sunday 2nd May

8.00am: All Parishioners

9.15am: Teresa Moloney RIP

10.30am: Annamma

Philip RIP

12.00 noon: Betty Lordan &

Mary Coll RIP

6.00pm: Mary Hartley RIP

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Dee Dunston, Imelda Holland, Catherine Ford, Easton Hurd, Stephen O'Reilly and Michael Rafferty who are sick.

Today is Vocations Sunday when we pray especially for vocations to the Priesthood, Deaconate and Religious Life. Let us pray especially for our own Redemptorist Congregation that the Good Shepherd will lead men and women to new pastures in his ministry.

Vocations prayer: Good shepherd of our souls, you who know your sheep and know how to reach the human heart. Stir the hearts of those people who would follow you but cannot overcome doubts and fears. You who are the Word of the Father, the Word which enlightens and sustains hearts, conquer with your Spirit the resistance and delays of indecisive hearts. Awaken in those whom you call the courage of love's answer: 'Here I am, send me.'

THANK YOU for your donations today for the Diocesan Clergy Training Fund.

9.15am Mass: Parents you have been very slow at coming forward with your children to offer to read at the 9.15 Mass. Please think seriously about this and ring the office (373-0143) during the week or pop in after dropping or picking up your children from school to put your child's name down on the rota. Thank you.

MAY PROCESSION: Unfortunately we are not quite at the stage where we can have large numbers of people coming together in procession so therefore this year's May Procession will not go ahead.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES: Thanks to those who picked up their envelopes last week, hopefully more parishioners will have done the same this week. If you haven't, you can collect your box during the week from the parish office. Please see office opening times below. Thank you.

Catholic Newspapers: It was not viable for us to have the papers to sell as we were losing money each week! If you wish to have a newspaper delivered free please go to www.thecatholicuniverse.com or ring 0161 820 5722.

Confessions: We will continue to have confessions in the Hall on Wednesday after the 10am Mass and Saturday after the 9.30 Mass.

HOLY SHOP : Opening times Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10.30-12.00 and 2.30-3.45pm. Closed all day Wednesday. Holy Communion and Confirmation cards and gifts on sale at the Holy Shop. Please wear a face mask when entering the shop. Thank you.

THE PARISH OFFICE 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.

Haven't you noticed something missing this week? Where is Fr Elias, I hear say? Well he has taken the opportunity, while Fr Kieran has been here, to take time to have a rest. We hope that a good rest will be just as good as a holiday in Zimbabwe! We hope every day is turning out to be a 'Blessed Day'. All will be back to normal this coming week.

*You are a mystery as deep
as the sea; the more I
search, the more I find, the
more I find the more I
search for you.
When you fill my soul I
have an ever-greater hun-
ger and I grow more fam-
ished for your light. I de-
sire to see you, the true
light, as you are. Amen.
St Catherine of Siena*