



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

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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

23<sup>rd</sup> May 2021

## SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST Year B

### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

6.00pm: Michael Kenny RIP

#### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> May

#### Solemnity of Pentecost

8.00am: Gerry O'Leary RIP

9.15am: Leif Anderson RIP

10.30am: John Kelly RIP

12.00 noon: Alice Feeney RIP

6.00pm: All Parishioners

#### Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May

10.00am: Margaret Lennon

No Evening Mass

#### Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May

10.00am: John Egan RIP

#### Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May

10.00am: Liz Murray RIP

No Evening Mass

#### Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May

10.00am: Steven Flood RIP

No Evening Mass

#### Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May

10.00am: Pauline

Richards RIP

#### Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> May

9.30am: Brother Liam

6.00pm: Bridie McGreevy &

Brian Jones RIP

#### Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> May

8.00am: Fr Patrick Joyce RIP

9.15am: Kathleen Eustace RIP

10.30am: Victor Lafite RIP

12.00 noon: Frank

O'Sullivan RIP

6.00pm: All Parishioners

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

Today we celebrate the wonderful feast of Pentecost. I wish you all a happy day. May His Spirit be upon you and your families and refresh your inner being so that His love will go forth from you to all you meet.

**A WARM WELCOME TO FR ISAAC DAVIS CSsR.** Fr Isaac is a fellow Redemptorist from Zimbabwe who has been appointed to the Abbey. Father was actually appointed to come and work in the parish eighteen months ago, but because of the Covid outbreak he was unable to come to the UK. He arrived in the UK on the 1st May but had to quarantine in a hotel for 10 days before arriving at the Abbey. I look forward to ministering in the parish with Father and I am sure he will receive the usual Abbey welcome from you all.

**PASTORAL LETTER:** As you are now aware today we received a letter from the Archbishop for the Feast of Pentecost. Copies available on the table as you leave the church this week and next week.

**THE PARISH OFFICE** will be closed from Friday 28th May until Monday 7th June. If you wish to speak to a priest during this time please ring 0121 373 0143. **PLEASE NOTE:** do not bring any **FOOD ITEMS** to the Hall during the week beginning Monday 31st May. Our regular SVP food Bank collection will be on Sunday 13th June. Thank you.

**THE ROSARY:** We continue to say the Rosary each day in Church. The Holy Father, Pope Francis, has given us special intentions for each day this Marian Month. We will continue before morning Mass on Monday to Saturday.

**HOLY SHOP:** Holy Communion, Confirmation Cards and gift sets are on sale in the Shop. Opening times Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10.30-12.00 and 2.30-3.45pm. Closed all day Wednesday. Please wear a face mask when entering the shop. Thank you. Get all your cards before the half term holiday!

**St Paul's Girls School** are looking to appoint a Lay Chaplain to work term time at the school. If you are interested please contact via the schools email address enquiry@stpaulgl.bham.sch.uk

*Lord, by the light of the Holy Spirit you have taught the hearts of your faithful. In the same Spirit help us to relish what is right and always rejoice in his consolation.*

*Through Christ Our*

*Lord*

*Amen.*

*Dear Parishioners, Pentecost draws the close of the Easter season. May we rejoice through our celebrations during Eastertide and look forward to the relaxing of the restrictions so that we can come together and celebrate as a parish community in the way we should.*

*I thank our stewards for their time and service to our parish community. It has been quite an eventful week with Redemptorists visiting the Abbey and of course Fr Isaac arriving during the week. It has been good to catch up with our visitors and hear what is happening in the Province.*

*Only one week till half term—parents I bet you can't wait!*

*Have a Blessed week*

*Fr Elias CSsR*