

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, Wednesday, Thursday 10.00am & 7.30pm. Tuesday & Friday 10.00am. Saturday: 9.30am.

Wednesday Novena 7.00pm. Confessions: Wednesday 10.30am and Saturday 10.00am.

"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



4th July 2021

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

Mass Intentions

Saturday 3rd July

6.00pm: Bob & Maureen

Cotter RIP

Sunday 4th July

8.00am: All Parishioners

9.15am: James & Margaret

O'Hara & Family

10.30am: Eileen Agar RIP

12.00 noon: Henry Family RIP

6.00pm: Sean Kiernan RIP

Monday 5th July

10.00am: Mary Smith

11.30am: Catherine Forde

Requiem

7.30pm: Patrick Baldwin RIP

Tuesday 6th July

10.00am: Eileen Kilroy

Wednesday 7th July

10.00am: Holy Souls

7.30pm: Mary Carroll RIP

Thursday 8th July

10.00am: Kathleen & Maureen

Smyth RIP

7.30pm: Charlie Moore

Friday 9th July

10.00am: Margaret Lennon

Saturday 10th July

9.30am: Teresa Woulfe RIP

6.00pm: Paul Callaghan

Sunday 11th July

8.00am: All Parishioners

9.15am: Harjinder Sehra

10.30am: Alex James RIP

12.00 noon: Sue McCormack RIP

6.00pm: Dave Hird

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Dee Dunston, Imelda Holland, Easton Hurd, Stephen O'Reilly, Larry Shiel, Phyllis Carey, Bridget Butler, Maureen McCaffery and Caroline Murphy (Rigby), Rita Lewis who are sick and for Chris O'Dea and Margaret Kavanagh who have died.

CONFIRMATIONS: We welcome Bishop David Evans to the parish this Tuesday to confirm 52 of our children from the Abbey School. With the restrictions still in place there are a limited number of places in Church and so I therefore ask parishioners not to attend on but to remember the children in your prayers. I realise also that on an occasion such as this, lots of family members want to attend and I thank the families of our Confirmandi children for their understanding for the small numbers aloud for each family. May the Holy Spirit come deep within us and our Confirmandi children.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS: This Saturday (10th July) we have two classes from the Abbey School making their First Holy Communion. It is a blessing this year that we can have these two occasions where the children make their First Holy Communion in classes and not in groups of six over several weeks. As a parish over the past few weeks we have been praying for our children who are receiving the sacraments. My thanks to the parents and teachers in both the year 6 and Year 3 for preparing the children.

Please Note: Due to Communion there will be **no confessions on Saturday 10th July.**

Next Sunday we have our **Erdington Food Bank**. Please bring your food items to Church with you and leave them in the porch when you arrive. The SVP will be having their retiring collection next week. Thank you for your generosity.

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK IN THE PARISH. If any parishioners who are unable to come to Mass because they are either housebound or sick and would like Holy Communion please contact the parish office. At the moment Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers can not take Holy Communion to the home so either myself, Fr Isaac or Fr Royston will arrange a visit.

YOUNG CATHOLIC GROUP: The first Mass for this group will be at St Nicholas Church in Boldmere, on Tuesday 13th July at 7.00pm. Followed by pizza and drinks in the nearby section of Sutton Park. We would like to encourage many Catholics aged 18-35 to come along.

Restriction update: Funerals 80 attenders. Weddings 80 attenders, Baptisms 30 attenders. All parties must compile a 'Track and Trace' list and all attending must wear facemasks and sanitise hands before entering Church and adhere to social distancing. Thank you.

Reminder: Please remember to bring your own face mask to Church with you. This will help to keep the costs down. Thank you.

THE FAMILY OF CHRISTINA WILLIAMS would like to thank carers, family & friends for their support during her recent illness and to those who attended her funeral. Your prayers have been very much appreciated.

THE FIRST WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND ELDERLY will be on Sunday 25th July 2021. Lianne Pap the Marriage and Family Life Coordinator for the Diocese would like to compile some images of grandchildren giving their grandparents a hug (or a virtual hug). These can be sent to (<https://www.facebook.com/familyministrybrum>; <https://twitter.com/FamilyMinistry>).

Words of Wisdom - What wise words do you remember that your grandparents or elderly have passed onto you? If you would like to share these words of wisdom or would like to join a parish based grandparents groups which will be affiliated to the Catholic Grandparents Association, please email: lianne.pap@rcaob.org.uk. with the subject marked 'Grandparents Group'.

Dear Parishioners,

I am very much looking forward to welcoming Bishop David Evans to our parish on Tuesday evening. I am also looking forward to the children in Year 3 making their First Holy Communion on Saturday; what a blessed time for our parish! I now appeal to you parents to continue to walk forward in the faith and to bring your children to Mass each Sunday to pray with your family within the parish community. Have a blessed week.

Fr Elias CSsR

May the Heart of Jesus
in the Most Blessed
Sacrament be praised,
adored and loved with
grateful affection at
every moment in all
the tabernacles of the
world even until the
end of time.
Amen.