



The Parish of Ss. Thomas & Edmund of Canterbury

Erdington Abbey

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

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CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

PENITENTIAL SERVICE Tuesday (20th) at 7.00pm

CHRISTMAS EVE (Saturday)

Morning: Mass at 9.30am

Evening: 6.00pm : Vigil Mass for Children

11.30: Readings and Carols

12.00: Midnight Mass

CHRISTMAS DAY (Sunday)

Masses: 8am, 9.15am, 10.30am and 12.00noon

Mass Intentions

Saturday 17th December

6.00pm: : Fergus Adams

Sunday 18th December

Fourth Sunday of Advent

8.00am: Carmel Nolan RIP

9.15am: Patrick & Patricia
Devlin RIP

10.30am: Denis O'Sullivan RIP

12noon: Ollie Eivors RIP

6.00pm: All Parishioners

Monday 19th December

10.00am: William O'Meara RIP

11.30pm: Daniel Daly

Requiem

7.30pm: Noel Cashin RIP

Tuesday 20th November

10.00am: Agnes McCann RIP

11.30am: Frank Norris

Requiem

7.00pm: Penitential Service

Wednesday 21st November

10.00am: Mary Walsh RIP

11.30am: Phyllis Carey

Requiem

7.30pm: Mary & Jim
Lawlor RIP

Thursday 22nd December

10.00am: Grace Lee RIP

7.30pm: Mary Carroll RIP

Friday 23th December

10.00am: John & Teresa

Woulfe RIP

Saturday 24th December

9.30am: Elizabeth Wood

6.00pm: Kathleen Boyle

Snr RIP

Sunday 25th December

Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord

8.00am: Octave *

9.15am: Noreen Madden RIP

10.30am Collins, James &

Rose Families RIP

12.00noon: Eileen Sexton RIP

* **Octave Mass for your
relatives and friends.**

**Second Collection today
For the upkeep of the
Church**

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PLEASE PRAY FOR : Dee Dunston, Easton Hurd, Evelyn Rose, Janina Surowiec, Theresa Floyd, Diane McDermott, Peggy Murphy, Gerard Cusack, Maxine Desmond, Alex McClure, David Brewer and Teresa Monteiro who are sick, and Daniela Bujalska who has died.

ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE on Tuesday, 20th December at 7.00pm.

THANK YOU to St Edmund Campion School, for a wonderful Carol Service in the church on Tuesday evening. Their school band, soloist, and choir were fantastic. Thank you also for the retiring collection which raised a total of £243.27 for the Abbey Restoration Fund.

Please note there will be no Confessions on Wednesday and no evening Mass on Christmas Day.

CRIB: Due to the work being done in the St Alphonsus Chapel, we are unable to have the usual crib up in church, but we will have a Nativity Scene in front of the Altar this year.

FLOWERS IN CHURCH IN MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE AT CHRISTMAS:

If you would like to contribute towards the cost of decorating the church for Christmas in memory of a loved one, please leave your donation, with the name of the person you would like remembered, in the parish office **no later than 11.00am on Thursday 22nd**. Thank you. Their names will be displayed in the church porch at Christmas.

DECORATING THE CHURCH: If you have a little time to spare after the 9.30am Mass on Christmas Eve to help decorate the Church we would love to have you on board. All items will be ready, you just have to put them in place. If you can help come to the sacristy after the 9.30am Mass on Saturday 24th. Thank you very much.

ABBEY CHRISTMAS OCTAVE MASS CARD: On sale in the Holy Shop, price 50p. The card promises an Octave of Masses for your relatives and friends from 25th December to 1st January. There is a box in the Holy Shop for your list of intentions and donations. Christmas stock on sale. The Shop is open this Sunday but will be closed on Christmas day. **This coming week the Holy Shop will be open Monday, Tuesday 10.30-12 noon and 2.30-3.45pm. Closed all day Wednesday and open then on Thursday and Friday Morning.**

THE ABBEY DIARIES are late arriving this year. If they do not arrive this week they will be on sale in the New Year, price 75p

CATHOLIC DIRECTORIES on sale in the Holy Shop, price £3.50.

A CHRISTMAS CARD WITH A DIFFERENCE - Bro Benjamin CSsR Feeding Project.. One £10 voucher buys a bag of maize in Zimbabwe. It will feed a child-headed household or a group of Aids orphans for a month. You can buy the Christmas voucher (s) from the Holy Shop on Sunday Morning or the Parish Office during the week.

Quiz & Curry Night Friday 27th January 2023, 7.30pm start, in the Abbey Parish Hall. £5.00 per person, which will include food. Maximum of 6 people per team. Contact Barbara Johnson 07531189333 to book a table, or the parish office 373 0143. All proceeds for the restoration fund.

COFFEE MORNING: Many thanks for all your support. Back again in the New Year.

NO PRAYER GROUP meeting until the New Year.

CHRISTMAS DAY OFFERTORY for the Redemptorist Community

Have a Blessed Week Fr Elias Gweme CSsR