



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

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

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MASSES: 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 & 4.30pm

Parish Office 9-12 and 1-4pm closed Wednesday afternoon. Holy Shop 10.30-12.00 and 2.30-3.45pm. Closed all day Wednesday

"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

12th March 2023

Third Sunday of Lent

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Mass Intentions

Saturday 11th March

6.00pm: Phil Boylan RIP

Sunday 12th March

3rd Sunday of Lent

8.00am: Eileen Lennon RIP

9.15am: Alfred Thompson RIP

10.30am: Jean Turner RIP

12.00 noon: All Parishioners

6.00pm: Bill Watson

Monday 13th March

10.00am: Molly O'Sullivan RIP

11.30am: May Doble **Requiem**

7.30pm: Patricia Flanagan RIP

Tuesday 14th March

10.00am: Jerry Sweeney

Wednesday 15th March

Feast of St Clement

10.00am: Rachel Upham RIP

7.30pm: Annabella Maric RIP

Thursday 16th March

10.00am: John & Anne

Molloy RIP

7.30pm: Tony O'Connor RIP

Friday 17th March

Feast of St Patrick

10.00am: Pat Cunnane RIP

12.30pm John

Kearney **Requiem**

Saturday 18th March

9.30am: Elizabeth Rouse RIP

6.00pm: Josie McLaughlin

Sunday 19th March

4th Sunday of Lent

8.00am: Sr Ancilla

9.15am: All Parishioners

10.30am: Patrick & Patricia

Devlin RIP

12.00 noon: Mr Cooney

6.00pm: Fr John Brookes RIP

*Retiring Collection
today
for the SVP*

*Thank you
for your generosity*

PLEASE PRAY FOR : Dee Dunston, Easton Hurd, Janina Surowiec, Theresa Floyd, Maxine Desmond, Alex McClure, David Brewer, Teresa Monteiro and Rose Reddan who are sick and for Stephen Daly and Bridie Kiernan who have died.

RCIA Candidates: Please keep in your prayers the candidates: Aimee Baxter, Olivia Hambling and Claudio Geraci, who will be received into the Church at Easter.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS every Friday after the 10.00am Mass.

CHURCH FLOWERS FOR EASTER If you would like to sponsor flowers in the church in memory of a loved one please leave the name and donation in the parish office. A list of those to be remembered will be in the church porch on Easter Sunday.

PENITENTIAL SERVICE will be on **Tuesday** 4th April at 7.00pm. There will be several priests available for confession.

Eucharistic Ministers and Readers: Your evening of Recollection will be on **Thursday 30th March at 7.00pm** Please make a note of this date in your diary. Thank you.

ABBEY PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: Monday 5th June to Friday 9th June.

Information leaflets available in the church porch. Booking forms available in the Parish Office. Please contact Nicholas Bartleet for further details on 07778857369.

EDMUND CAMPION CATHOLIC SCHOOL: Presents BORN FOR THIS, The Way of the Cross, in the Church, on Monday 3rd April at 6.00pm. All welcome.

FAITH ALIVE: Catechism study group will be meeting in Room 2 in the Parish Centre, on Wednesdays from 5.45pm to 6.45pm. If you are interested, please come along.

Abbey Restoration Project Update 8 March 23: Fund raising has been very positive with over £84,000 raised to date and in the next tax year we will receive additional sums from the gift aid declarations many of you have signed. We will also benefit from a VAT refund, as restoration work to listed buildings is currently exempt from this tax. The bad news is that we still do not have sufficient funds to start the next phase of work and to date we have not received any grant monies. We do also have a delay, as the bat survey cannot be started until May, so plenty of time to help with donations! Phase two works are due to be finished towards the end of April dependent upon delivery of replacement stones. The asbestos report has been received and the work on the flue is now scheduled for completion this week. You can now all see our fundraising sign facing Lidl!

SPONSORED BIKE RIDE: Our training ride will be Saturday 18th March. All over 16's welcome but please call Martin on 07979936777 to let him know you will be joining us.

A BIG THANK YOU to Kate Crehan who has organised another Soul and Motown Night in aid of the Abbey Restoration Fund. This month Kate raised a total of £450.00. Well done, and thanks to all who supported the evening.

WARM WELCOME: Every Tuesday 10.30-2.00pm to all parishioners and friends. Tea, coffee, sandwiches, lunch and craft club available to all. Require transport? Call 07958939449. **CRAFT AND CHAT** group, meet Tuesday 11.00 to run within the warm welcome. All welcome. The SVP has received funding to provide free food, toilet-tries and pet food. Available to collect at the Warm Welcome.

THIS WEEKEND is the SVP retiring collection and Foodbank donations. Thank you for your donations in support of the SVP

St PATRICK'S CELEBRATION COFFEE MORNING: Come and join us this Wednesday in the Hall, after the morning Mass.

PRAYER GROUP: Thursday 16h March at 8pm. Speaker Mary McGoughey, lecturer at Oscott College. All welcome.

THE FAMILY OF the late Frank Neary would like to thank everyone for their support, words of comfort and offers of Mass for dad. A Mass will be offered for your intentions.