



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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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

26th March 2023

Fifth Sunday of Lent

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Mass Intentions

Saturday 25th March

Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord

6.00pm: Mary Carroll RIP

Sunday 26th March

5th Sunday of Lent

8.00am: Ray & Barbara Johnson

9.15am: Claire Burden RIP

10.30am: All Parishioners

12.00 noon: Imelda Holland RIP

6.00pm: John & Bridget

Carey RIP

Monday 27th March

10.00am: Monica Murphy RIP

7.30pm: Dem & Leigh

Geoghegan RIP

Tuesday 28th March

10.00am: Kitty McElhone RIP

Wednesday 29th March

10.00am: Raymond & Martin

Cooney RIP

7.30pm: Amado Barba RIP

Thursday 30th March

10.00am: Shirley Fenando

11.30am: Bridie Kiernan

Requiem

7.30pm: Bridie Doherty RIP

Friday 31st March

10.00am: Tess & John

Reidy RIP

Saturday 1st April

9.30am: Mary E Kelly RIP

6.00pm: Alan & Philomena

Romney & Family RIP

Sunday 2nd April

Palm Sunday

8.00am: All Parishioners

9.15am: Pat Badger

10.30am: Daisy McCullagh RIP

12.00 noon: Frank Neary RIP

6.00pm: Andrew Howley RIP

**Next week,
second collection for
the Upkeep of
the Church**

**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 John Trapett and Mary McGorman who have died.

RCIA Candidates: Our candidates will undertake the third scrutiny today at the 10.30am Mass.

Please keep the candidates and the RCIA team in your prayers.

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 by Wednesday 5th April. A list of those to be remembered will be in the church porch on Easter Sunday.

Eucharistic Ministers and Readers: As part of your ministry you are asked to have one evening of recollection. This will take place this **Thursday (30th March), 7.00–8.00pm.**

PENITENTIAL SERVICE will be on **Tuesday 4th April at 7.00pm.** As usual there will be several priests available for confession. This will be the last opportunity for Confessions as the Fathers will be attending the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral on Wednesday 5th April therefore there will be no confessions on Wednesday (5th). So please think about coming on Tuesday 4th April at 7.00pm.

HYMN BOOKS: As you will have been aware our supply of hymn books has been dwindling recently. If you have any at home, please return them to the church or Parish Office. Meanwhile we thank Fr. Kieran, who has managed to source a supply for us.

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.

BIBLE STUDY meet at 10.30am, Mondays in the meeting room at the Abbey Hall.

WARM WELCOME: Every Tuesday 10.30-2.00pm open to all parishioners and friends. There will be 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, toiletries and pet food. Available to collect at the Warm Welcome.

COFFEE MORNING: Come and join us this Wednesday in the Hall, after the morning Mass. This week the reception class from the Abbey School will be coming to join us and will share some songs with parishioners during the Coffee Morning. We are looking forward to welcoming them.

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.

PRAYER GROUP: **Thursday 30th March at 8pm.** Brother Andrew from the Order of Sacred Heart of Jesus will be the speaker. All welcome. Please note the Prayer Group will then take a break for two weeks for Easter.

EASTER EGG RAFFLE in aid of the Abbey Restoration Fund. Raffle tickets will be on sale for £1.00, weekend 1st/2nd April after Mass.

SPONSORED BIKE RIDE: Our next training ride will be on Saturday 1st April, starting from Miller and Carter car park, Boldmere Gate, Sutton Park at 9.00am. All over 16's welcome but please call Martin on 0797936777 to let him know you will be joining us.

PARISH AFTERNOON TEA this wonderful parish event is on Saturday 20th May 2023, 2-4pm. Tickets on sale from the parish office, Monday 27th March, at £7.00 (tickets sell-out very quickly). All proceeds to the restoration fund. If you have donations for the raffle please drop them into the parish centre. **If you are a baker and would like to donate cakes/scones or be part of the team on the day please contact Barbara 0753118933 or the Parish Office 373 0143**

Fr Elias C.Ss.R