#### ST AMBROSE'S PARISH KIDDERMINSTER The Rectory, Birmingham Road, Kidderminster DY10 2BY (01562 822839) SACRED HEART & OUR LADY, Berrington Road, Tenbury Wells Parish Clergy: Fr Douglas Lamb, Revd Adam Nicholls, Revd Charles Duncombe In Retirement: Revd Thomas Ashcroft, Revd Dr Peter Mason. In Formation: Richard Tovey. E-mail: stambrosekidderminster@btinternet.com Website: www.stambrosekidderminster.org.uk Week commencing December 28<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Holy Family Sunday: Year B Psalter Week 1 CTS Sunday Missal p. 101 **Response to the Psalm:** He, the Lord, is our God. He remembers his Covenant for ever. **Gospel Acclamation:** At various times in the past and in various different ways, God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; but in our own time, the last days, He has spoken to us through His Son. **Preface II of the Nativity of the Lord:** p.553 Eucharistic Prayer I: p.591 **Mystery of Faith: III** FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK: M. St. Thomas of Canterbury, Th. Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God, F. St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory of Nazianzen, S. The Most Holy Name of Jesus. MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK ST. AMBROSE'S 10.00 am Monday Brian Martin RIP 10.00 am Kathleen Feehily RIP Tuesday Wednesday 10.00 am Sr May Bernadette Egan RIP Peggy Conboy RIP Thursday 12 noon 9.00 am - 9.45 am Adoration Friday 10.00 am Deceased of Power Family 7.10 pm Rosarv 7.30 pm (Old Rite) Les Thorley RIP Saturday 9.00 am Intentions of Helen Drew 11.00 am Sunday Alfonso & Gioconda Salsano RIP 3.00 pm (Old Rite Mass) Archbiship Couve de Murville RIP 6.00 pm The People of the Parish SACRED HEART 9.00 am Iraqi Children RIP Sunday **CONFESSIONS:** St Ambrose's: by request. Sacred Heart: by request. MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK **Altar Servers for morning Mass:** Volunteers please. **Eucharistic Ministers** Readers St Ambrose's Sunday 11.00 am: R Barber, G Bennett, M Bradley, C Vass, M Darbyshire A Colclough, E Darbyshire D David.

# P Bowdler, E Davies.Sacred HeartSunday 9.00 am:T Cole, J Moore.D Lee

T Alexander, H Bearne, M Bowdler,

Church Cleaners: Team E

Sunday 6.00 pm:

## **Offertory Counters:** Group 4

M Hesketh, M Weaver

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially: Fr Paul Chavasse, Joan Aylott, Albert and Elsie Barr, Peggy Baynton, Christina Bickley, Margaret Blizard, Frank Bourke, Alan Bullock, Linda Button, Catherine Carroll, Nigel Collier, Nora Collins, David Connolly, Rob Conway, Julie Cook, Elsie Corti, Rob Cotgrave, Jane Cox, Paul Crowley, Eamonn Dalton, Joni Dunlea, Sr Maureen Fay, Anthony Georgieff, Frances Graves, Diane Grovenor, Robert Hale, Shirley Hale, May Hampsey, Margaret Harley, Mary Harris, Christine & Tom Hopkins, Vicki Houghton, Cindy Jones, Tom Jones, Jan Joyce, John Joyce, Marie Lane, Audrey Little, Bridget Locke, Arwen Lockley, Michael and Margaret McKeever, Joe McLaughlin, Peter McQuillan, Michael Maffei, Marjorie Male, Petronilla Marciante, Lee Maund, Margaret Metcalf, Sheila Mikulicz, Jeannie Morrison, Kitty Murray, Andrew Neale, Delia Nepi, Kate Nicholls, Margaret Norris, Pat Norris, Billie O'Keeffe, Beatrice 'Myrtle' O'Mahoney, Jean O'Shaughnessy, Katherine O'Sullivan, Daniel Oxenham, Joyce Parker, Jackie Peck, Jo Peters, Chris Price, Janet Richards, Harold Salter, Rita Simmonds, Jonathan Slater, Cecil Smith, Marie Stokes, Margaret Strangward, Colette Stride, Edward Sutton, Carmen Thomas, Jim Thomas, Vera Toman, Frances Tovey, Jean Villa, Patricia Virr, Edith Wilkes, Jake Wolfenden and Anne Youde.

**Thanks:** Christmas comes and goes, and we resume Parish life soon enough. However, it is at such time that we often seem at our best – with musicians, servers, Ministers, flower arrangers and everyone else all pulling together to make our Churches look beautiful, and our liturgies be worthy of the great feasts. As always, the Tenbury Community arranged the Carol Service and Mass with great care; the Family Mass at the Vigil in Kidderminster came together well, and the Masses at Midnight and on Christmas morning were worthy celebrations. Thanks to all who contributed in every way. A special word of appreciation is appropriate for Joel Douglas, the Sacristan in Kidderminster, who put in many additional hours during the early part of the week.

**Sadness:** Last Saturday morning, **Vincenza Seminerio**, of Comberton Road, died very suddenly, though she had been in failing health for some time. In the evening, **Joe Metcalfe** (well known former teacher at St. Ambrose's and Hagley Schools) died in Worcester Hospital soon after major surgery. He recently celebrated his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. Funeral arrangements will be announced when they are available. Please pray for the two bereaved families.

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Please collect a copy of the list of Ministers for January from the back of Church. I am grateful to Brian Taylor who has volunteered to draw up the monthly rota.

**Coffees/Teas:** will be provided in the Borromeo Hall after 11.00am Mass today by the **Rambling Group & the Choir** and next Sunday by the **Ambrosians & the CMS**.

**Parish Centre New Year's Eve Party:** Disco 7:30 pm to late in the Adams Lounge. Adults  $\pounds 3.00$ , children  $\pounds 1.50 -$  please come into the Adams Lounge and pay before the night. Come along and have a great night with us.

Old Rite: A Sung Mass in the Old Rite (Extraordinary Form) will be offered in St. Ambrose's next Sunday at 3.00 pm.

**Living Embers:** The Wyre Forest Women's Ecumenical Fellowship will meet on Wednesday January 7<sup>th</sup> at Trinity Methodist Church. Prayers at 9.30 am, coffee at 10.00 am and the Fellowship at 10.30 am. Please see noticeboard for further details.

**Kidderminster Street Pastors:** The Street Pastors are organizing an Open Morning at St Mary's Chantry on Saturday  $10^{th}$  January from 9.30 am. If you are interested in becoming a Street or Prayer Pastor or just to see what we do, please come along; you will be made very welcome. Breakfast refreshments will be available too – a good reason to come along.

#### Finances:

Thank you for the offertory last week of £943.23 (Envelope Scheme £342, Loose £601.23).

- ii We have received three donations, totaling £200 towards the electrical repairs that were necessary in our Church. Thank you for so much generous support.
  - iii We are very grateful for the tremendous support for the Christmas Draw which raised well over £500. Thanks for the very kind donation of excellent prizes, and those who folded tickets and made the draw.

### From the Registers:

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**Baptism:** The following were baptized in our Parish during 2014:

Michael Mayson, Mary Quilligan, Grace Ridgway, Amelia and Lydia Challis, Leighton O'Driscoll, Kody Grant, Jasmine and Imogen Grant, Kerry Jones, Casie and Katie O'Connor, Adriane Smirnoff-Cull, Sonny Jones, Ellis O'Doherty, James Oluyide, Elliot Crisp, Oliver Kielar, Melodie Jones, Logan Marcham, Isabella Sorano, Fia-Bella Maffei, Franky Percy, Romell Comiling, Mary Smith, Kian Taylor-Mills, William Cowley, Archie Godfrey, Olivia Raymond, Fintan Murrihy-Lloyd, Ruby May-Mills, and Thomas Holland. Please remember these children and their families in your prayers.

**Marriage:** Please pray for God's continued blessing on the couples who were married in St. Ambrose's this year: Peter Janes and Mary Heffernan; Jonathan Hickman and Mary Buano; Mario Maffei and Georgina Locke; Lee Jeffries and Melissa Hutton; Richard Lloyd and Caroline O'Shaughnessy; Victor Large and Jessica Asuncion; Alun Campbell and Lisa Mahoney; Bryan Gill and Jade Powell.

**Death:** We pray for the eternal rest of James Gallagher, Pam Cunningham, Betty Goulding, Denis Kimberlin, John Cunningham, John Bryant, Jadwiga Sadowski, Paul Havard, Muriel Nicholl, Patricia O'Brien, Iris Miller, Eamonn Carroll, Ann Preece, Neville Freemantle, Irene Hughes, Lydna Law, Jeff Skitt, Courtney Davies, Moira Hollis, Kathleen Keene, Nancy Ruffinato, Maria Corbo, Brian Martin, Ellen Lloyd, Tena Hawkins, Michael McCormack, David Lord, Irene Potts, Mary Owen, Molly Charuk, Angel Patton, Marian Smith, Maureen Whitehouse, Lynn Kerrigan, John Mahoney, Vincenza Seminerio and Joe Metcalfe. We pray, also, for Bernard Dixon, Ron Freemantle, and all other friends of our Parish. May they rest in peace.

**Borromeo Hall/Adams Lounge:** Available for functions of all kinds: parties, receptions, etc. Please contact Mary Preston 07513 295817 or 07742 730680.

Every Friday: Folk Music in the Adams Lounge with visiting musicians/singers and instrumentalists. Free admission 8.00pm - late.