

**ST AMBROSE'S PARISH KIDDERMINSTER**

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**Twenty-eighth Sunday Year C Psalter Week 4 CTS Sunday Missal p1072 Week commencing: 9 October 2016**

**Response to the Psalm:** The Lord has shewn his salvation to the nations.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: You have the message of eternal life.

**Preface IV of Sundays:** p569 **Eucharistic Prayer:** I p591 **Mystery of Faith: I**

**Feast Days this week:** **Tues:** St John XXIII **Wed:** St Wilfrid **Thurs:** St Edward the Confessor **Sat:** St Teresa of Avila

**MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK:**

**ST AMBROSE'S**

Monday	8.30 am	Danny Beahan RIP
Tuesday	8.30 am	Alfred and Doris Stewart, and Norman Heath RIP
Wednesday	9.15 am	Michael O'Shaughnessy RIP
Thursday	11.30 am	Mick Galvin RIP
	7.30 pm	Adoration until 9.00 pm (Compline 8.45 pm)
Friday	9.30 am	Adoration until 10.15 am
	10.30 am	Peter McQuillan RIP
Saturday	9.00 am	Jim Friar RIP, followed by Rosary and Novena prayers for the sick
Sunday	11.00 am	Joy Wallace RIP
	6.00 pm	Bernard Grovenor RIP

**SACRED HEART**

Sunday	9.00 am	The People of the Parish
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**CONFESSIONS:** St Ambrose's: Saturday 11.45 am – 12.45 pm, and by request  
Sacred Heart: By request

**MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK:**

**Altar Servers for morning Mass:** Thomas Wright, Connor Vessey

**Eucharistic Ministers**

St Ambrose's:	Sunday 11.00 am	S Elcock, C Ellwood, E Fox, B Galvin, C Geraghty, D Gillett
	6.00 pm	J Gavan, M Hesketh, V Page, T Rock, J Stanley
Sacred Heart:	Sunday 9.00 am	E O'Neill, M Peyton

**Readers**

Family Mass (Confirmation Commitment)
P Young, M Hesketh
J Moore

**Church Cleaners:** Team F

**Offertory Counters:** Group 4

**Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially:** Ann Aylott, Teresa Baker, Olena Barchuk, Albert and Elsie Barr, Joan Batty, Catherine Blount, Jennifer Bush, Linda Button, Martin Cahill, Rupert Caple, Anne Catchpole, Fr Paul Chavasse, Nigel Collier, Helena Collins, Nora Collins, Rob Conway, Bunty Cook, Julie Cook, Elsie Corti, Rob Cotgrave, Eamonn Dalton, Sarah Dalziel, Angeline Doherty, Sr Maureen Fay, Lena Finella, Catherine Freemantle, Martha Graham, Tess Grantham, Frances Graves, Fr Christopher Greaney, Diane Grovenor, Shirley Hale, Ken Harler, Margaret Harley, Mary Harris, Canice Heavern, Cindy Jones, John Joyce, John Kean, Wendy Kowalewicz, Audrey Little, Bridget Locke, Arwen Lockley, Joe McLaughlin, Gaetana Maffei, Michael Maffei, Marjorie Male, Francesca Marciante, Petronilla Marciante, Margaret Metcalf, Sheila Mikulicz, Jeannie Morrison, Pat Motteram, Sr Breda Murphy, Jacqui Murray, Kitty Murray, John Neale, Delia Nepi, Kate Nicholls, Margaret Nicholls, Margaret Norris, Pat Norris, Billie O'Keeffe, Jean O'Shaughnessy, Katherine O'Sullivan, Amelia Piatek, Revd Philip Prince, Janet Richards, Harold Salter, Joseph Samways, Pauline Samways, Jackie Sands, Louise Sireshek, Edward Sutton, Tony Taylor, Jim Thomas, Vera Toman, Frances Tovey, Ernest Vincent, George Watkins, Keith Weaver, Lyndon Whatley, Edith Wilkes and Anne Youde.

**The Montini Group:** We had an encouraging start to this year's programme of matters of the Faith, for those who wish to deepen their knowledge of Our Lord and His Church, for those wishing to return to the practice of the Faith, and for those who would like a gentle introduction to the Catholic Church. Our theme on Tuesday, from 7.45 pm in the Montini Room, is 'Prayer and Action: the Life of the Christian'. Please come, preferably bringing a new member.

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**Harvest Mass and Luncheon:** The bad weather did nothing to upset a very happy occasion at our Church in Tenbury last Saturday. Our thanks to the Tenbury parishioners for an uplifting Mass, and an excellent lunch in two marquees erected in the Church grounds. The wonderful sum of £250 was raised for 'Shooting Stars', a charity based in Tenbury and supported by our congregation.

**Departed:** Two of our most committed and respected parishioners died last weekend. For many years Jean Villa was an Additional Minister of Holy Communion, especially to some members of the Italian community. She died at home on 30 September, surrounded by her family. Her Funeral is on Tuesday, 18 October, at 11.00 am. Peggy Baynton lived in Lorne Street for well over sixty years. She helped her daughter, Christine Hopkins, to establish our Children's Liturgy of the Word. She had been a Catholic for a little over 20 years and she, too, died with her family around her, at home in Lorne Street on Monday evening. Her funeral arrangements will be announced.

**Union of Catholic Mothers:** Meets on Monday at 7.30 pm in the Borromeo Hall. Any ladies wishing to join us will be made most welcome.

**Kidderminster Deanery:** The Clergy of the Deanery will be meeting at St Ambrose's on Tuesday. Midday prayer will be at 11.05 am.

**Confirmation:** As already announced, Bishop Robert Byrne will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation during Mass at 7.00 pm on Tuesday, 6 December. We hope that it will be possible for us to nominate a Prayer Sponsor for each candidate from among our parishioners. The role of the Prayer Sponsor is to accompany the candidate in prayer during the weeks of Preparation. Parishioners willing to be a Prayer Sponsor are asked to sign the lists at the back of our Churches. The first meeting in preparation for Confirmation (parents, candidates, catechists, teachers and clergy) will be in the School Hall on Wednesday, 12 October at 6.30 pm.

**Catholic Men's Society:** The St Ambrose's Branch of the Catholic Men's Society will meet in the Rectory on Wednesday, 12 October at 7.30 pm. Brother George Nixon has attended the Consultative Group meetings and will help to prepare the Branch members for their part in the Celebrations planned for 2017. New members will be most welcome.

**Quiz Night:** With the Valentines Choir on Friday, 14 October at 7.30 pm in the Borromeo Hall. Entrance £2.50 per person, in teams of 4-6. Bar available.

**Hagley School:** Invites you to attend their annual Open Day on Saturday, 15 October, from 9.00 am until 12 noon. There will be demonstrations, performances and displays which reflect the range of opportunities offered at Hagley Catholic High School. A tour of the school lasts approximated two hours, so guests are advised to arrive between 9.00 and 10.00 am.

**Autumn Triple Concert:** Featuring New Dimensional Experience Choir, Holy Trinity Inner Choir and Chamber Choir, and Cookley Community Choir on Saturday, 15 October at 7.30 pm, at St Mary's Church, Kidderminster. Tickets are £6 each from Trinity Methodist Church, St Mary's Church, Holy Trinity, Kemp Hospice and NDE Choir (see poster). All proceeds to Kemp Hospice.

**UCM Cake Sale/Quiz Sheets:** There will be a cake sale in the Borromeo Hall on Sunday, 16 October, after 11.00 am Mass, in aid of the UCM Project (Charities – SMA (Spinal Muscular Atrophy) and SANDS (Stillborn and Neonatal Deaths). Also, Quiz Sheets will be on sale at £1 each, towards the Project (prize of a gift card), and will be available during the cake sale, in the Hall after both Masses of from the Adams Lounge. The Quiz Sheets can be completed at home and returned to Chris Vass or any UCM member by 30 October.

#### **Music Notices:**

**Choir Practices:** Combined rehearsals for both of our Sunday choirs resume on Monday, 17 October at 7.15 pm in Church, and continue fortnightly after that (31 October, 14 and 28 November). We will be working towards special music for the Parish initiatives for 2017, the Christmas and Easter seasons, and music for our Sunday Masses. Please make every effort to attend. New members, and those who wish to join the choir for any of these events (including Christmas), are encouraged to come along to rehearsals.

**New Mass Setting:** From this week onwards we will be singing the Belmont Mass by Christopher Walker. This is to be sung by everyone together, and copies will be handed out with your hymn book as you enter the Church. Please join in with confident voice. Your homework challenge, should you wish to accept it, is to type 'Belmont Mass Christopher Walker' into YouTube, and listen to the clear recording found there, so as to prepare diligently for Mass next week.

**Greenhill Pact:** The next meeting for residents of Greenhill will be in the Adams Lounge on Monday, 17 October at 7.00 pm. Any parishioners who live in the Greenhill area are welcome to attend to discuss matters concerned with our locality. The meeting is attended by local councillors, representatives of the police, and other community groups.

**Bible Study:** The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 19 October at the home of Sarah Hutchins, 3 Gaymore Road, Cookley (tel 228077), 2.00 pm for a 2.30 pm start. New members are most welcome.

**Hagley School Sixth Form:** An Information Evening will take place on Thursday, 20 October, at 7.00 pm, at the School. Any children from the area who would benefit from a Catholic Sixth Form education are invited to attend.

**Friends of the Holy Land:** Are holding a Wine Tasting Evening on Friday, 21 October, at 7.30 pm in St George's Hall, Load Street, Bewdley. Tickets are £15 each, and include a bread, cheese and pâté supper. Please do support our efforts to help Christian families in the Holy Land.

**Sixties Night:** In the Borromeo Hall on Saturday, 29 October, in support of the Ex-Servicemen's Association. 8.00 pm – late. Tickets £8 from the Adams Lounge.

**Autumn Concert, Kidderminster Male Choir:** Will be held on Saturday, 29 October, in the Town Hall, Kidderminster, in aid of SSAFA (Soldiers, Sailors and Air Force Association), which provides lifelong support for our Forces and their families. Tickets are £12 each, available from the Town Hall box office and KMC website (see poster).

**HOST UK:** Offer your hand for international friendship! Welcome an adult international student into your home this Christmas, and make the world a little friendlier. Adult international students in the UK face a lonely holiday on a university campus, and would love to spend a few days with you, learning about British culture, experiencing Christmas festivities and telling you about their own country. Hosting is a voluntary position suitable for all ages, and is also available throughout the year with HOST, a charity set up in 1987. To find out more please visit [www.hostuk.org](http://www.hostuk.org), or call 020 7739 6292.

**Knock Shrine Pilgrimage 2017:** It has been decided that the Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Co Mayo, Ireland will take place during the second week of Eastertide, ie week beginning 23/24 April 2017. Full booking details will be published in the near future.

**Large Compost Bin, Free:** Please ring (01562) 753627. Just a little help to empty on garden.

#### **Finances**

- i Last week the Offertory was £727.67, for which many thanks. (Loose plate £401.05, Envelope Scheme £326.62).
- ii Donations to CAFOD were £7.39
- iii We acknowledge with gratitude a donation of £100 from the Craft Club.

**BORROMEIO HALL/ADAMS LOUNGE:** Available for functions of all kinds: parties, receptions, etc. Please contact Peter Grealy on 07513 295817 or 07742 730680.

**BINGO:** Every Tuesday 8.00 pm. **WHIST:** Every Wednesday, 2.00 pm. Please come along and support the Parish Centre.

**FOLK MUSIC:** In the Adams Lounge with visiting musicians/singers and instrumentalists on the second and fourth Fridays of every month. Free admission, 8.00pm – late.