## THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF KIDDERMINSTER

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Revd Thomas Ashcroft, Revd Peter Hesketh (Deacons), In Retirement: Revd Dr Peter Mason
Fifth Sunday in Lent
Psalter Week 1
Pope John Sunday Missal p234
1st/2nd April 2006

Entrance Antiphon: Give me justice, O God, and defend my cause against the wicked; rescue me from deceitful and unjust men, You, O God, are my

efuge.

**Response to the Psalm:** A pure heart create for me, O God.

Gospel Acclamation: Glory to you, O Christ, you are the word of God! If a man serves me, says the Lord, he must follow me, wherever I am, my

servant will be there too. Glory to you, O Christ, you are the word of God!

Preface of Lent I p560

Eucharistic Prayer III p 579

Memorial Acclamation III

Communion Antiphon:

I tell you solemnly: Unless a grain of wheat falls on the ground and dies, it remains a single grain; but if it dies it yields a

rich harvest

At Mass at 10.30 am the readings are from Cycle A, p211ff. The Third Scrutiny will take place, and the Preface will be as given on p214.

Mass times and intentions for the coming week

| ST AMBROSE'S |  |   |
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| Monday       | 7.30 am                                    | Clifford Patrick Ward RIP   |
| Tuesday      | 8.30 am                                    | Intentions of Yvonne Choyce   |
| Wednesday    | 9.15 am                                    | (School) Mariannina Vaccaro RIP   |
| ·            | 11.00 am                                   | Funeral: Laurence Healey RIP  |
| Thursday     | 8.30 am                                    | Elin Young RIP  |
| ,            | 7.30 pm                                    | Penance Service (with individual Confessions)   |
| Friday       | 7.10 pm                                    | Rosary 7.30 pm Holy Communion   |
| Saturday     | 6.30 pm                                    | Joe Farmer RIP  |
| Sunday       | 10.30 am                                   | The People of the Parish  |
|              | 6.30 pm                                    | The Stations of the Cross   |
| OUR LADY'S   |  |   |
| Monday       | 7.30 pm                                    | Holy Communion  |
| Wednesday    | 7.30 pm                                    | The Stations of the Cross   |
| Friday       | 9.00 am                                    | Adoration until 9.45 am   |
| ·            | 10.00 am                                   | In Thanksgiving (Marion and Keith Birch) 50th Wedding Anniversary   |
| Saturday     | 9.30 am                                    | Denis O'Brien RIP   |
| Sunday       | 9.00 am                                    | Grace Evans (Anniversary)   |
| SACRED HEART |  |   |
| Sunday       | 10.30 am                                   | Intention as appointed by Fr Garrett  |
| Confessions: | St Ambrose's<br>Our Lady's<br>Sacred Heart | Saturday 11.45 am – 12.45 pm, 7.15 pm – 7.45 pm and by request Saturday after morning Mass or as announced By request |

Please pray for all in our communities who are sick, especially during the Rosary at St Ambrose's each Friday at 7.10 pm. Mary Collins, William Patrick Bannister, Anthony Piechowicz, Jumper Collins, Rosa D'Oriano, Elizabeth Westwood, Sylvia Jay, Marie Woodfine, Tony O'Dowd, Vera Farley, Gene Whitwam, Mary O'Connor, Martin Cahill, John Power, Eric Whittaker, Joan Whittaker, Daniel Cullen, Ada Wall, Maggie Booton, Keith Southall, Eric Turner, Lilian Insleay, Jean Legierski, Joan and Joe Whitfield, Carmen Thomas, Margaret Norris, Mathilde Bono, Bill Nicholl, Mary Jones, Wilf Bradley, Edith Wilkes, Jo Collins, May Hampsey, Jacqueline Byrne, Christine Barber, John Mullen, Ann Edwards, Bill Pardoe, Sheila Mikulicz, Rene Caulfield, Marion Thompson, Rita Vaccaro, Aniela Slyszyk, Pat Norris, Peter McQuillan, Sheila Dymow, Ivan Watton, Lucy Dudzinski, Pat Coffey, Janet Richards, Liz Ashcroft, Ann Weavers, Phil Eady, Eamon Dalton, Mary Cull, Yvonne Choyce, Jim Valentine, John Rogers, Amelia Gissyng, Kathleen Whatley and Margaret Grimley.

Ministries for the Coming Week:

Church Cleaners: Team B Offertory Counters: Group 8

Altar Servers at St Ambrose's

Weekday mornings Joseph and Thomas Griffin

Saturday 6.30 pm Team B

Sunday 10.30 am

Team A

6.30 pm

Giorgio & Santino Scrocca, Christopher Harler

Eucharistic Ministers Readers

St Ambrose's

Saturday 6.30 pm C Hopkins, R Quinn T Wilson
Sunday 10.30 am D Duncombe, C Geraghty, J Kowalik, J Villa R Amiss
Children's Liturgy: As appointed

Our Lady's

Sunday 9.00 am J da Costa, J Norwood, K Norwood, P Standing P Virr, O da Costa

**PARISH PRAYER:** O God, the Creator and Giver of all things, bless our Parish in this united endeavour. Strengthen our faith, grant us the spirit of sacrifice so that, with Thy Grace, we may provide for the needs of our Parish, glorify Thee and sanctify ourselves. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

**Right to Life:** The Bishops of England and Wales, together with all the Christian Churches, the Jewish Community, the Muslims, Sikhs, Hindus and Buddhists are united in opposition to the Lord Joffe Bill to legalise assisted suicide. Letters, pamphlets and other materials are being distributed at all Masses this weekend and I do urge everyone to respond by writing to members of the House of Lords and urge them to oppose the Bill, due for a Second Reading on 12 May. It does appear that the Government is giving tacit support to this disgraceful attack upon the dignity of human life. Please let all of us act without delay against this threat to life.

**Eternal Rest:** Please pray for Laurence Healey (Lol) who died peacefully in Westley Court Nursing Home earlier this week. His Funeral Mass is on Wednesday at 11.00 am, prior to burial in the Cemetery.

**Anniversary:** Next Wednesday is the first anniversary of the death of Sister Mary Modwena of Jesus, a Poor Clare of Hawarden. She was born in Kidderminster, and a convert to the Catholic faith.

**Readers' Rotas (St Ambrose's):** Would readers please note that new rotas are available at the back of Church.

**Walk With Me:** An Eastertide edition of 'Walk with Me' will be available on individual order, and it will deal with family issues. Calendars will also be available. Please indicate this weekend if you wish to order copies.

**The Tablet (The International Catholic Weekly):** This is the third week when we will be offering free copies of The Tablet at the back of both Churches at all Masses.

**Quarterly Newsletter:** Please collect copies of the newly published Newsletter as you leave the Church today. It has been produced in a different way. It will be distributed free, but anyone wishing to make a donation may do so in the basket provided. Please use the Newsletter as a point of contact for those who may be interested in our Parish but are, at present, non-participant.

**The Third Scrutiny:** During Mass at 10.30 am we pray, as a Parish Community, for those who will be entering Full Communion with us at the forthcoming Easter Vigil: Collette Brijmohan, Wellington Chimalizeni, Peter Court, Caroline Douglas, Arwen Lockley, Jordan Lowe, Julie Sorrentino and Jenny Wilcox.

**Coffee and Teas:** Provided in the Borromeo Hall after 10.30 am Mass today by the SVP and next Sunday by the FOSAS. The new rota for after Easter is now available. Many thanks to all the participating groups for continuing to provide this opportunity for parishioners to get together over a cuppa.

**Lent Talks:** The final talk in this series 'Our Parish and Me' will be given this evening during Stations of the Cross at St Ambrose's at 6.30 pm. Our Parish Renewal Coordinator, Marion Phillips, will round off this very worthwhile exercise.

Union of Catholic Mothers: meets on Monday at 8.15 pm in the Montini Room.

Whist Drive: A friendly afternoon of card playing in the Borromeo Hall each Wednesday at 2.00 pm. All are welcome.

**Catholic Men's Society:** Our next discussion meeting takes place on Wednesday, 5 April in St Ambrose's Rectory at 7.30 pm. All men of the Parish are invited to come along. You will be made welcome.

**Service of Penance for Lent:** The Service of Penance with visiting priests to hear Confessions, will be at St Ambrose's on Thursday, 6 April at 7.30 pm

**Society of St Vincent de Paul:** The next meeting will take place on Friday, 7 April at 8.00 pm in the Hall/Rectory. New members welcome.

**Parish Passover Supper:** Wednesday, 12 April, 7.00 pm in the Borromeo Hall. Please sign today if you wish to attend. If you have signed but then can't attend please delete your name or contact Danuta Duncombe (K746748) so that correct numbers are catered for. Thank you.

Holy Week Services: The times of Holy Week Services (the Triduum) are as follows

Holy Thursday 7.30 pm The Mass of the Last Supper

Good Friday 10.30 am Procession of Witness from Baxter Church. Service at the Town Hall
3.00 pm The Solemn Liturgy of Our Lord's Passion
7.30 pm United Service of all Christian Churches (St Ambrose's)

Holy Saturday 8.30 pm The Easter Vigil

**Pope Benedict XVI:** The first anniversary of the election of Pope Benedict is on Wednesday, 19 April. There will be an evening Mass of Thanksgiving at 7.30 pm, followed by a shared supper of celebration in the Adams Lounge.

**Her Majesty, the Queen:** There is to be a Dinner in the Borromeo Hall on Friday, 21 April to celebrate the 80<sup>th</sup> birthday of Her Majesty, the Queen. The Parish Priest is providing the wine, and a parishioner has kindly offered Champagne for the Toast. Please sign the lists at the back of our Churches, to help with catering. The Dinner will be preceded by Mass at 7.30 pm.

**New Life Together:** Are performing an anthology of hymns, psalms and Roger Jones's songs, entitled 'Chords of Love' on Sunday, 23 April at 6.30 pm in St Ambrose's Church. All are most welcome.

**Our Lady of Walsingham:** The Annual Pilgrimage to Walsingham, promoted by the Catholic Men's Society, takes place on Saturday, 6 May. If sufficient parishioners would like to join the pilgrimage it is hoped to run a coach from Kidderminster. The pilgrimage is available to all parishioners. Would all who wish to go please put their names on the lists at the back of Church. A small deposit of £5.00 will be required my mid-April to secure a place.

## **Finances:**

- i Thank you for last week's collection of £1031.64. (Envelope scheme £219.80, Loose £811.84)
- ii CAFOD received donations of £24.35.