THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF KIDDERMINSTER

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Parish Clergy: Fr Douglas Lamb, Fr Philip Garrett (resident in Tenbury Wells) Revd Thomas Ashcroft, Revd Peter Hesketh (Deacons), In Retirement: Revd Dr Peter Mason **Fifth Sunday of Eastertide** Psalter Week 1 Pope John Sunday Missal p420 13th/14th May 2006

Entrance Antiphon: Response to the Psalm: **Gospel Acclamation:** Preface of Easter VI p561 **Communion Antiphon:**

Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous deeds; he has revealed to the nations his saving power, alleluia.

You, Lord, are my praise in the great assembly.

Alleluia, alleluia! Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty. Alleluia!! **Memorial Acclamation I**

Eucharistic Prayer I p566

I am the vine, and you are the branches, says the Lord; he who lives in me, and I in him, will bear much fruit.

Mass times and intentions for the coming week

ST AMBROSE'S In Thanksgiving (MW) Funeral: Yvonne Choyce RIP Monday 8.30 am 10.45 am 7.30 am (with Morning Prayer) Kitty Heffernan RIP Tuesday 8.30 am Wednesday Mina May Carolan 8.30 am Thursday Intentions of Bridie Kealey 7.30 pm Adoration until 10.00 pm (Compline 9.45 pm) 7.10 pm 7.30 pm Patrick J Nangle RIP Friday Saturday 3.00 pm Marriage: Martin Neale and Christine Smith 6.30 pm Elena Larkin RIP 10.30 am The People of the Parish Sunday 6.30 pm May Devotions and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament OUR LADY'S 7.30 pm Holy Communion (Prayer Group) Monday Wednesday 7.30 pm May Devotions (Prayers for Vocations) 9.00 am Adoration until 9.45 am Friday 10.00 am Mike McCormack and deceased parents 9.30 am Hylton Gosnell RIP Saturday Sunday 9.00 am James Lloyd RIP SACRED HEART Sunday 10.30 am Celebrant's Intention Saturday 11.45 am - 12.45 pm, 7.15 pm - 7.45 pm and by request Confessions: St Ambrose's Our Lady's Saturday after morning Mass or as announced

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, 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, Jim Valentine, John Rogers, Amelia Gissyng, Kathleen Whatley, Margaret Grimley, Agnes Millichap and Jean McHugh.

Ministries for the Coming Week:

Sacred Heart

Church Cleaners: Team D **Offertory Counters:** Group 6 Altar Servers at St Ambrose's Weekday mornings Friday 7.30 pm Daniel and Niall Cullen Elliott Kelsall, Benito Maffei Team A Saturday 6.30 pm Sunday 10.30 am Team B

May Devotions: Nicholas O'Sullivan, Joseph and Thomas Griffin 6.30 pm

By request

Eucharistic Ministers Readers St Ambrose's Saturday 6.30 pm T Alexander, R Quinn A Conway Sunday 10.30 am A Colclough, T Hart, J Kowalik, C Vass D Reynolds Children's Liturgy: Our Lady's As appointed

Sunday 9.00 am B Gavan, J Gavan, J Scully, L Whatley C Cassidy, M Loftus

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

Robert Grealy: As we announced last Sunday, Robert Grealy has been accepted as a student for the Priesthood in this Archdiocese. He is to begin his preparation at Valladolid in Spain in September, and in September 2007 he will join Ben Kelly at St Mary's College, Oscott. Our Parish is greatly blessed to receive these two vocations. We must maintain our prayers for vocations, and especially for Ben and Robert. The Day of Prayer at St Ambrose's was postponed from last Wednesday because of the Sacristy refurbishment. As soon as the work is completed we shall rearrange so that we have the opportunity to reflect on our responsibility towards our Clergy and Seminarians.

Baptism: This afternoon, the Revd Peter Hesketh will baptize Sophia Cappella. Congratulations to her family.

Wedding Bells: Next Saturday, Dr Peter Mason will bless the marriage of Martin Neale and Christine Smith. We pray for their future happiness.

Requiescat: The funeral of Yvonne Choyce is at 10.45 am tomorrow, prior to cremation in Stourbridge. May she rest in peace.

CTS Bookstall: This Sunday at St Ambrose's. Some lovely little books about the Marian shrines of Lourdes, Fatima and Medjugore. Orders taken for the new Compendium Catechism – a display copy is available for viewing. Thank you to all those who buy the cakes – this helps to boost the funds for the Bookstall.

Coffee and Teas: Provided in the Borromeo Hall after 10.30 am Mass today by the UCM and next Sunday by the Ambrosian Group.

Austerity Lunch: Please support Christian Aid by attending the Austerity Lunch today at Baxter Church from 12.30 pm.

Songs from the Musicals: The rehearsal today will be at 2.30 pm at the home of Tim and Sophie Heywood, 13 Manor Avenue, Kidderminster.

May Devotions: The Procession in honour of Our Lady will begin this evening in Church at 6.30 pm and move through the School grounds. There is a route amid the building work which we shall attempt to follow, stopping at the Millennium Garden, and concluding in the Rectory garden where Mrs Ellen Lloyd will crown the statue on behalf of the Parish. The UCM will provide tea at the conclusion of our devotions.

Day Trip to Llandudno: Tuesday, 16 May. Leave Stourport at 8.30 am. Pick up at St Ambrose's 9.00 am. Leave Llandudno for home 5.00 pm. Cost per person £11.00, to be paid by 9 May. Enquiries to Phil Eady (01299) 827051.

Friendship Club: Meet on Wednesday, 17 May. Contact Joyce Gavan or Marie Hesketh on K748474.

Ambrosian Group: The monthly shared lunch is in the Borromeo Hall on Thursday at 11.45 am. All retired and semi-retired parishioners are invited to join for a pleasant and leisurely lunchtime.

Italian Night: Tickets are still available for the Italian meal in the Borromeo Hall next Saturday at 7.45 pm. The meal will be cooked by Giovanni Sorrentino, with pudding (tiramisu) courtesy of Joanna Butera. It is bound to be a most enjoyable evening, to which everyone is welcome. Tickets £6 from Joanna Butera or Anne Conway.

Parish Ramble: Next Sunday, 21 May, meeting at 2.00 pm in the car park behind the Parish Church in Martley. A four-mile walk with superb views over the Teme Valley. Maps available at the back of Church. For more information ring Chris Vass (K630949).

Pentecost: Fr Lamb will lead a mini-Vigil of Prayer at Our Lady's on Friday, 2 June, 7.30 pm – 10.30 pm in preparation for Pentecost. It will consist of music, silence, reflection and a Votive Mass of the Holy Spirit at 9.45 pm.

Sacred Heart Pilgrimage to Maryvale: Our Parish Fete day is on 25 June, the same day as the Sacred Heart Pilgrimage to Maryvale. The Principal Celebrant and Preacher at the Pilgrimage Mass will be the Most Revd Maurice Couve de Murville, our retired Archbishop. The Mass is at 3.00 pm, followed by the Blessed Sacrament through the grounds.

Theatre Trips: Fr Lamb is prepared to obtain middle-priced tickets for The Pirates of Penzance (Thursday, 21 September) and La Boheme (Wednesday, 8 November), both performances at the Birmingham Hippodrome. Please notify him of requirements by May. Fr Lamb still has tickets available for Tosca, at the Birmingham Hippodrome, on Tuesday, 6 June, and for Don Giovanni on Friday, 9 June. Enquiries welcome.

Cancellation: "Are Human Rights your concern?" The Nigerian evening planned by Wyre Forest Amnesty International for 9 June is having to be rescheduled for later in the year.

A Request: Please do not put any notices on noticeboards, or leave any materials at the back of any Churches, or in any pews, without prior consultation with the Parish Priest.

Finances:

- i Last week's offertory was £706.11. (Envelope scheme £237.80, Loose £468.31) for which many thanks.
- The collection for the Priests' Training Fund was £174.44. However, the collection was omitted on Saturday evening. Late donations may be made this week.
- iii Donations to CAFOD were £42.45.
- iv Planned giving to the Priests' Training Fund amounted to £79.
- v We acknowledge with gratitude a further donation of £100 from the Whist Drive
- vi The winners of the prizes in the 200 Club for the month of April are: M O'Donnell (no 116) and E Turner (no 180). Congratulations.

Thanks: The Parish Priest is very grateful, and very heartened, by the many messages of support and encouragement that he has received during recent days.