THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF KIDDERMINSTER

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OUR LADY & ST. PIUS, Canterbury Road, Habberley (01562 748474) SACRED HEART & OUR LADY, Berrington Road, Tenbury Wells

B.R.C.D.T.R. Registered as a Charity Parish Clergy: Fr Douglas Lamb

Revd Thomas Ashcroft, Revd Peter Hesketh (Deacons) & In Retirement: Revd Dr Peter Mason

Twenty fifth Sunday of Year B Psalter Week 1 Pope John Sunday Missal p. 830 September 23rd/24th, 2006.

Entrance Antiphon: I am the Saviour of all people, says the Lord. Whatever their troubles, I will answer their cry, and I will always

be their Lord.

Response to the Psalm: The Lord upholds my life.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the light of the world, says the Lord, anyone who follows me will have the light of life.

Alleluia!

Preface, Eucharistic Prayer & Memorial Acclamation: As appointed by the Celebrant.

Communion Antiphon: You have laid down your precepts to be faithfully kept. May my footsteps be firm in keeping your commands.

Feast Days this week: T. SS Cosmas & Damian, W. St Vincent de Paul, F. St Michael, St Gabriel, St Raphael, S. St Jerome.

Mass Times and Intentions for the Coming Week

St. Ambrose's

Monday7.30 a.m.Philip Hopkins RIPTuesday7.30 a.m.Emily Kinsella RIP9.15 a.m. Leonard Eynsham's Intentions (School Class to attend)

Wednesday 7.30 a.m. Margaret Bohan RIP 8.30 a.m. Rita Preston's Intentions.

Thursday 7.30 a.m. Isabel McKeever 8.30 a.m. Noreen McDaid's 90th Birthday Intention

7.30 p.m. Adoration until 10pm (Compline 9.45 p.m.)

Friday 7.10 p.m. Rosary 7.30 p.m. Intentions of Mr & Mrs J Cook

Saturday 9.00 a.m. Fr David Hutt RIP 6.30 p.m. John Weaver (Anniv)

Sunday 10.30 a.m. Barney Murray RIP 6.30 p.m. October Devotions & Benediction

Our Lady's

Monday 7.30 p.m. Rose Standing RIP

Wednesday 7.30 p.m. Adoration until 8.30pm (Prayers for Vocations)

Friday 9.00 a.m. –9.45 a.m. Adoration 10.00 a.m. Betty Lavelle RIP

Saturday 9.30 a.m. Francis Carey RIP Sunday 9.00 a.m. Ruby Smith RIP

Sacred Heart

Sunday 10.30 a.m. The People of the Parish

Confessions: **St Ambrose's:** Saturday: 11.45am-12.45pm 7.15pm-7.45pm and by request.

Our Lady's: Saturday: after the morning Mass or as announced.

Sacred Heart: 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, Martin Cahill, John Power, Eric Whittaker, Ada Wall, Maggie Booton, Keith Southall, Eric Turner, Lillian Insleay, Jean Legierski, Joe and Joan 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, Aniela Slyszyk, Pat Norris, Peter McQuillan, Sheila Dymow, Ivan Watton, Lucy Dudzinski, Janet Richards, Liz Ashcroft, Phil Eady, Sheila Mikulicz, Rene Caulfield, Marion Thomson, Rita Vaccaro, Eamonn Dalton, Mary Cull, Jim Valentine, Amelia Gissyng, Kathleen Whatley, Margaret Grimley, Stella Griffith, Agnes Millichap, Jean McHugh, Arwen Lockley, Maria Bradley, Peggy Baynton, Margaret Tillott, Jack Adams, Peter Lock, Rita Preston, Tom Healey, Joseph Samways and Jo Kean.

Ministries for the Coming Week

Church Cleaners: Team C Offertory Counters: Group 8

Altar Servers at St Ambrose's

Weekday mornings: Santino Scrocca, Benito Maffei Friday 7.30 p.m.: Martin Evans

Saturday 6.30pm: Team A

Sunday 10.30am: Team C 6.30 p.m. October Devotions: Jonathan Fox, Matthew Stride, Jack Bennett

Eucharistic Ministers Reader

St Ambrose's

Saturday 6.30pm: C Hopkins, B McFarland T Wilson Sunday 10.30am: M Cleary, A Hunt, J Kowalik, S Salsano R Amiss

Children's Liturgy: To be appointed.

Our Lady's

Sunday 9.00am : J Da Costa, K Norwood, V Page, P Standing M Hesketh, B Gavan

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.

Baptism: We welcome Lola Victoria Madeline Hartland to the community of our Parish. She is to be baptised this afternoon.

Anniversary: Next Saturday is the anniversary of the death in 1899 of Fr James McCave, Parish Priest 1870-77).

Teas/Coffees: This week will be provided by the Ambrosians today; and by CAFOD and Parents & Toddlers next week.

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

<u>Whist Drive:</u> Please keep in mind the weekly Whist Drive in the Borromeo Hall every Wednesday at 2pm. Everyone is very welcome, learners included.

U.C.M.: The Union of Catholic Mothers meet on Monday evening at 8.15pm in the Borromeo Hall.

Macmillan Coffee Morning: Countdown to Macmillan Nurse Coffee Morning. As previously announced this takes place on Friday September 29th 2006 from 9am. Please come along and enjoy coffee and biscuits, a raffle and a quiz. Also 'Macmillan Merchandise' will be on sale. We really do need your support to make this event the usual success. Any donations to this wonderful cause may be put in an envelope and handed in at the Rectory. All will be gratefully received. Many thanks.

<u>Kidderminster Valentines:</u> are presenting a Songs of Praise Concert at St Mary's Church on Saturday 30th September at 7.30pm. What are your favourite hymns? There are lists being given out for you to tick your choices and please come along and sing them with us. **<u>Roadpeace:</u>** The Parish Priest has been invited to take part in the Dedication of Road Peace Memorial Stone in the grounds of St Mary's Church on Sunday, October 1st at 3pm. All will be welcome.

<u>October Devotions:</u> The Rosary Devotions for October, and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be at 6.30pm in St Ambrose's on the Sundays of October; and at Our Lady's each Wednesday at 7.30pm.

<u>Christmas Bazaar:</u> Saturday, November 24th. With only two months to the Bazaar we must make preparations and start organising this very important Parish event. Lots of new ideas, etc., need to be discussed and planned to make this event the best ever. There will be a meeting in the Adams Lounge on Sunday 1st October at 8pm for all wishing to run stalls, refreshments, etc., and for anyone willing to help in any way. Donations of any kind, bottles, prizes, 'white elephant', etc., needed.

<u>Day of Prayer at Our Lady's:</u> The Day of Eucharistic Adoration at Our Lady's Church in Habberley is on Tuesday October 3rd. Lists are available at the back of the Church and we ask that people sign to indicate the times that they will be able to attend. It is very important that the Blessed Sacrament is not left unattended at any time during the day. The Diocesan intention is that we should pray for Vocations to the Priesthood. It would be a precious opportunity to pray for our Seminarians, Ben Kelly and Robert Grealy and to pray that others will join them.

<u>Harvest:</u> The School will host a Harvest Festival Mass in Church on Friday, October 6th at 2pm. In the evening there will be a Harvest Supper and Auction in the Club from 7.45pm. More details next week.

<u>Cardinal Newman:</u> The annual pilgrimage to mark the reception of the Venerable John Henry Cardinal Newman into the Catholic Church takes place on Saturday, October 7th 2006. The Chief Celebrant and Preacher will be Monsignor Anthony Stark, Master of the Guild of Our Lady of Ransom. Intending pilgrims please sign lists in our Churches.

<u>Our Lady's Rainbows & Brownies</u> will be celebrating Harvest Festival at Mass on Sunday 8th October. Donations of produce gratefully received. Proceeds to CAFOD.

<u>Music for Middlebrows:</u> The group meets again on Sunday, October 8th from 7.45pm in the Borromeo Room to listen to performances from favourite female artistes. Everyone welcome.

An Evening of Music: A local family, all talented musicians, will perform music and songs from popular musicals in the Borromeo Hall on Friday, October 13th from 8pm. Tickets are £4 to include a light supper, available from Adams Lounge or Anne Conway (Tel: K. 753997). These youngsters deserve our support on what promises to be a most enjoyable evening.

<u>New Life Together:</u> An enjoyable day of workshops led by **Annie Routley** of Christian Music Ministries will be held at Stourport Methodist Church on Saturday October 14th. See noticeboard for details.

Skittles Evening: Back by popular request an evening of fun for all age groups. This will be held in the Parish Hall on Saturday, 14th October with a pasty supper included. **Tickets will be on sale this weekend** @ £5 each. (Numbers will have to be limited to 40-50, so don't delay, buy yours as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.)

<u>Harvington Organ Restoration:</u> A Concert in St Mary's Harvington, given by **Opus Anglicanum**, on Saturday, October 14th at 7.30pm. A mix of Sacred and Secular music followed by Monastic Compline. Tickets £10 from June Hall (01299 851511).

<u>Kidderminster Male Choir's Annual Concert</u> in Kidderminster Town Hall on Saturday 21st October at 7.30pm and features Fret and Fiddle, Birmingham's only Hot Gypsy Jazz Swing Band. Tickets £7 and £8 on K. 751922.

<u>Piety Stall:</u> We expect to receive a small supply (10) of special **hand made** Christmas cards. They will be ideal for that **special** person. They are being made and donated by Janine Nicholls in aid of Parish funds. Children's Confirmation takes place on 7th December. A small supply of suitable gifts is available but to be certain of obtaining an item of your choice, please place your order a.s.a.p. A brochure is available in the Piety Stalls at St Ambrose and also at Our Lady's (Habberley).

Appeal for re-instatement of Holydays: Thanks to those who have signed the lists at the back of our Churches, asking the Bishops to reconsider the suppression of the three Holydays (Epiphany, Ascension, Corpus Christi). They have to be returned to the organiser by the end of the month so any further signatures need to be added **today**.

Finances:

- i Thank you for last week's offertory of £736.42. (Loose £540.92; Envelope Scheme £195.50).
- Fr Hudson's Society. Unfortunately the collection was not taken up at two of our three Masses last weekend. We shall try again this weekend. I apologise for any inconvenience.