## THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF KIDDERMINSTER

ST. AMBROSE'S, BIRMINGHAM RD, KIDDERMINSTER, WORCS. DY10 2BY (01562 822839) OUR LADY & ST. PIUS X, 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, Fr. Derek Edwards, (DEACONS) REVDS THOMAS ASHCROFT, PETER HESKETH. In Retirement Dr. Peter Mason.

The Solemnity of Christ the King Psalter Wk 2 Pope John Sunday Missal PG 863 Wk end November 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> 2006

Entrance Antiphon The Lamb who was slain is worthy to receive strength and divinity,

wisdom and power and honour; to him be glory and power for ever.

Response to the Psalm: The Lord is King, with majesty enrobed.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia Alleluia! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia

Preface; Eucharistic Prayer; Memorial Acclamation (as appointed by the Celebrant)

Communion antiphon: The Lord will reign for ever and will give his people the gift of peace.

Feast Days this week: Th. St. Andrew; F. St. Edmund Campion

Mass Times and Intentions for the Coming Week - St Ambrose's

Mon: 7.30am Dave Harris (Anniv)

Tue. 7.30am Yvonne Choyce RIP 9.15am Olga & Joseph Rywacki & John Crayton (Anniv)

Wed. 7.30am Rita Kerrigan RIP 8.30am Guiseppina Vaccaro RIP

Thu 8.30am John Thompson (Anniv) 7.30pm-10pm Adoration (Compline 9.45pm)

Fri 7.10pm Rosary 7.30pm Brigina Douglas (Anniv)

Sat. 9am (Latin) Guiseppi di Paola RIP 6.30pm Vincenzo Finella RIP/Austin O'Shaughnessy RIP

Sun. 10.30am Sir Michael Davies RIP/Frank Legierski RIP 6.30pm AdventVespers and Benediction

Our Lady's

Mon. 7.30pm Gerard Murphy RIP (Prayer Group)

Wed. 7.30pm Adoration until 8.30pm (Prayers for Vocations)

Fri. 9am-9.45am Adoration 10am Mary Heneghan (Anniv)

Sat, 9.30am Rev. Douglas Taylor Sun. 9am Celebrant's Intention

Sacred Heart. 10.30am The People of the Parish

**CONFESSIONS**: St. Ambrose's: Sat. 11.45-12.45pm 7.15pm-7.45pm and by request; Advent Penance Service with visiting priests Friday December 15<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm. Our Lady's: Saturday: After the morning Mass or as announced; TENBURY By Request

Please pray for all in our communities who are sick, especially during the Rosary at St. Ambrose's each Friday at 7.10pm. 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, , Anne Edwards, Bill Pardoe, Ivan Watton, Lucy Dudzinski, Janet Richards, Liz Ashcroft, Phil Eady, Sheila Mikulicz, Peter McQuillan Rene Caulfield, Marion Thomson, Rita Vacarro, Pat Norris, Eamonn Dalton, Mary Cull, , Jim Valentine, Amelia Gissyng, Kathleen Whatley, Margaret Grimley, Stella Griffith , Agnes Millichap, Jean McHugh, Arwen Lockley, Maria Bradley, Peggy Baynton, , Rita Preston, Tom Healey, Joseph Samways, Jo Kean, Norman Taylor, , Father Stephen Pimlott, Fr. David Bazen, Irene Brown, Patrick O'Connor, Anne Stringer, Helen Drew, Simon Sadler, Con Griffin, and Mike Oborski.

## MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK:

Church Cleaners: TEAM D Offertory Counters; Group 1 CHILDREN'S LITURGY; to be appointed ALTAR SERVERS ST. AMBROSE'S

Weekday Mornings: Thomas Griffin, Ethan Davies Saturday 6.30pm TEAM B; Sunday 10.30am TEAM C;

6.30pm Advent Vespers & Benediction: P.Grealy, T. Holmes, J.Bennett

Eucharistic MinistersReadersSaturday: 6.30pm T. Alexander, B. McFarlandT. Wilson

Sunday 10.30am D. Baylis, M. Roy, C. Vass, G. Whitwam T. Grantham

OUR LADY'S

Sunday 9.00am A. McDermott, J. Page, P. Standing, B. Taylor M. Bowdler, P. Bowdler.

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.

PARISH RENEWAL SERVICE This evening at 6.30pm we have a Special Service to reflect on issues concerning our Parish Renewal. It will be based on the early inspiring sermons of Pope Benedict and will conclude with Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. It will be good for families to come together to pray for God's Blessing on our forthcoming year of Spiritual Renewal. Please try to encourage families, friends, parishioners who do not regularly join us, and anyone who is interested in our life to take part. There will be an opportunity for time together afterwards in the Borromeo Hall and/or in the Adams Lounge. PLEASE LET THIS BE A PRIORITY FOR ALL OF US.

PARISH RENEWAL In order that our Parish Renewal may be firmly rooted in prayer, it is proposed to have a PRAYER WALK throughout the various areas of the Parish. This will take place on the Second Sunday of Advent, December 10<sup>th</sup>, commencing at 4pm. We have divided the Parish into ten local areas and we ask parishioners to meet at a route, or by stopping to pray at given points). Participants are invited to return to St. Ambrose's for the Evening Prayer of the Church (Vespers) at 6.30pm joined by other parishioners and then adjourn to the Adams Lounge for a Buffet Supper. The designated areas are listed at the back of our Churches. Please sign for the area in which you would be prepared to participate. Coordinators will be nominated and final details given next week. This is a contribution that many of us will be able to make.

**REVISED SCHEDULE OF WEEKEND MASSES** Proposals for a revised schedule of weekend Masses are being distributed this weekend. Alternative proposals may be submitted IN WRITING to the Rectory by December 10<sup>th</sup>.

**HAGLEY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL** Parishioners will be pleased to know that Hagley School was recently inspected by OFSTED, and the conclusion of the Inspectors was that it is "a good school with some outstanding features." On your behalf I have written to congratulate Mr. Hammond, the Head Master; and Mrs. Elaine Yates, the Chairman of the Governors.

**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS** Buy one £5 greetings card for the Christmas Tree sending a message to everyone in the parish, which will be published in the newsletter at Christmas. This will be possible in our Kidderminster Churches.

**BAPTISMS** This afternoon the Revd. Thomas Ashcroft will baptise ALASDAIR LENDON-MONTROSE; the Revd. Peter Hesketh will baptise KIERAN NEWTON-HERNANDEZ; AND JAMIE AND CHARLOTTE SILWOOD will be baptised by Fr. Edwards. We pray for these children and their families on this memorable day for them.

**<u>DEPARTED</u>** Please pray for JOHN RONALD CONNOLLY (Ron) who died suddenly at home in Greatfield Road last Monday afternoon. Funeral arrangements will be published when available. A retired priest, Fr. Thomas O'Connor, for many years at St. Michael's, West Bromwich, died in Ireland last week. May they rest in peace.

**COFFEES/TEAS** will be provided in the Borromeo Hall today after 10.30 Mass today by PARENTS & TODDLERS/CAFOD and next Sunday by the U.C.M.

**HOLY HOUR** The Catholic Men's Society is promoting a Holy Hour at St. Mary's Harborne this afternoon. Brothers from this Parish, and others wishing to attend, should meet at St. Ambrose's at 2pm..

<u>CATHOLIC BASICS</u> On Tuesday at 7.30pm. "HOW THE CHURCH IS GOVERNED" is the title of the meeting at Our Lady's and will consider issues like the Papacy, Infallibility, Council Teachings, and local organisation of Dioceses and Parishes. Everyone welcome.

**SCRIPTURE STUDY** The next meeting will be on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm in the Rectory. Please join us. **WHIST DRIVE** continues in the Borromeo Hall on Wednesday from 2.00pm and Bingo is in the Adams Lounge every Tuesday and Saturday From 8.00pm. Everyone welcome.

**CONFIRMATION PARENTS MEETING** The last meeting before the Sacrament of Confirmation is received by our children, will be in the School Hall, next Thursday at 6.30pm. The Sacrament will be administered by the Vicar General of the Diocese on the feast of St. Ambrose, December 7<sup>th</sup>, during Mass at 7pm. All parishioners are encouraged to attend, to support and pray for our children, and especially to help with the singing.

**YOUTH CLUB** meets in the Borromeo Hall every Thursday 7pm-9pm. All young people from Yr. 4 upwards are very welcome to attend. The **YOUTH CLUB** invites everyone to join them in a Scottish Evening to celebrate St. Andrew's Day on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 7.30pm in the Borromeo Hall. Contact Peter Grealey on 632153 or Madeleine Roy 822189. Profits in aid of Rambo Mission for Orphan Children in Kenya. Food, Fun, Music and Dance; Tickets £4. See Notice Board outside Piety Stall.

**KEMP HOSPICE** The Tree of Light Service in the Swan Centre will be on Sunday December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 4pm.

**LITTLE LAKES** Three course Lunch for £14 at 12.30pm Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December for the Friendship Club and anyone else who would like to join us. Contact Marie Hesketh K. 748474.

**<u>KIDDERMINSTER MALE VOICE CHOIR</u>** CHRISTMAS CHARITY CONCERT takes place at Kidderminster Town Hall on Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm and features The Sirens (Sopranos and pianist). Tickets cost £7.00 in the hall and £8.00 in the Balcony and are available from the choir ticket officer on o1562 751922, Mr. Cleancall in Stourport, Hunters Tobacconist, Kidderminster Town Hall or any choir member.

<u>PILGRIMAGE TO ROME</u> 5 Nights departing Mon. 19<sup>th</sup> March, Returning 24<sup>th</sup> March, cost approx. £300. Names required by MONDAY. Anyone interested to ring K. 639068

ECUMENICAL LENT DISCUSSION GROUPS 2007 Canon Jim Samuel, of St. Mary's, has again agreed to do the preliminary preparations for these groups. I would be pleased to hear of anyone from our Parish who is prepared to host a group (at home or in the Parish Hall), the day and time the group will meet and the proposed date of the first meeting.

MERRIE ENGLAND This very tuneful patriotic pageant by EDWARD GERMAN, is being performed by Great Witley Operatic Society at the Swan Theatre, Worcester, in March next year. Fr. Lamb is prepared to order tickets @ £11 but he must do so before December 5<sup>th</sup>. Please sign at back of Church by next weekend.

**<u>DIOCESAN HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE</u>** The Archbishop is to lead a pilgrimage next year, October 2<sup>nd</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>. The cost, at present, will be £950. Please see notice board for details.

## **FINANCES**

- i.. Thank you for last Sunday's Offering of £741.87 (Envelope scheme £222.70; loose £519.17).
- ii. The collection to the SVP was £306.66
- iii. Donations to CAFOD were £29.49.
- iv. We acknowledge with gratitude a donation to the Parish of £100 from the Whist Drive