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.

Fourth Sunday in Lent Year C Psalter Week 4 Pope John Sunday Missal PG 251 Wk end March 17th/18th 2007-

Entrance Antiphon: Rejoice, Jerusalem. Be Glad for her, you who love her; rejoice with her, you who mourned for her, and you will find contentment at her consoling breasts.

Response to the Psalm: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia Alleluia! Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus1 I will leave this place and go to my father and say; "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you." Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus. Alleluia!

AT 10.30AM Readings from Year A p.205ff Preface p.209

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

Communion antiphon: My son, you should rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come back to life, he was lost and is found.

Feast Days this week: M. Solemnity of St. Joseph

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

Mon: 7.30am Intentions of Chris Geraghty

Tue. 7.30am Deceased of the Cruise family

9.15am Gary Graves RIP Kathleen Rocheford RIP 8.30am Konstantine Donowski RIP Wed. 7.30am

10am Funeral TOM HEALEY RIP Jack Connolly (Anniv) 7.30pm Adoration until 10pm (Compline 9.45pm) Thu. 8.30m

Rosary 7.30pm Intentions of Sisters Catherine & Maureen Fri 7.10pm 9am (Latin) Stella Griffith

Sat. 6.30pm Deceased of Nangle Family Sun. 10.30am For Vocations (Intentions of Catenian Association 6.30pm Stations of the Cross

OUR LADY'S

Mon. 7.30pm Holv Souls

7.30pm The Stations of the Cross Wed.

9am-9.45am Adoration 10am John Kerrigan RIP Fri.

Sat. 9.30am

Sun. 9am The People of the Parish

Sacred Heart.

10.30am Sheila Marum

CONFESSIONS: St. Ambrose's: Sat. 11.00am-11.45am 7.15pm-7.45pm and by request;

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, May Hampsey, Jacqueline Byrne, Christine Barber, John Mullen, Bill Pardoe, Lucy Dudzinski, Janet Richards, Liz Ashcroft, Phil Eady, Sheila Mikulicz, Rene Caulfield, Marion Thomson, Rita Vacarro, Pat Norris, Ivan Watton, Eamonn Dalton, Mary Cull, Jim Valentine, Amelia Gissyng, Kathleen Whatley, Margaret Grimley, Jean McHugh, Arwen Lockley, Maria Bradley, Peggy Baynton, , Rita Preston, Joseph Samways, Jo Kean, Norman Taylor, Patrick O'Connor, Anne Stringer, Helen Drew, Simon Sadler, Con Griffin, Diane Grovenor, Kitty Cooper, Bill Perry, Nora Collins, Jennifer Bush, Anthony Georgieff, Joan Wareham, Steven Mitchelland, Thomas Anderson, Linda Button, Ellen Paton, Fernanda Maffei, Owen McPhillips, John Dunne. Peter Stringer. **MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK:**

Church Cleaners: TH	EAM D Offertory Counters; Group 2 CHI	LDREN'S LITURGY; to be appointed
ALTAR SERVERS ST. AMBROSE'S		
Weekday Mornings: Francis Hardiman, Joseph Patrick		
Saturday 6.30pm TEAM B; Sunday 10.30am TEAM A 6.30pm Stations of the Cross Luke Farmer, Callum Dowd, Ethan		
Davies.		
	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	READERS
Saturday 6.30pm	B. McFarland, M. Weaver	H. Berry
Sunday 10.30am	B. Galvin, A. Hunt, S. Salsano no, G. Whitwam	H. Cahill

OUR LADY'S Sunday 9.00am F. Collins, B. Gavan, J. Gavan, V. Page

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.

MASS TIMES FROM APRIL 15TH. Sat. 5.45pm (St. Ambrose's) Sun. 9.30am (St. Ambrose's) 11.30am (Sacred Heart) 5pm (Our Lady's) **TOM HEALEY RIP** Tom Healey died peacefully in his beloved Kidderminster Hospital on Wednesday evening. He was 92 years of age, and for many years his name was synonymous with our Parish. Very little has happened here over 70 years in which he wasn't involved. He served the Parish and its Priests with immense dedication and devotion. His funeral is at 10am on Wednesday. May he rest in peace.

LATELY DEAD We also mourn the death of JO COLLINS of Cobden Street (mother of Frank Collins). She was nearly 90 years of age and been in poor health for many years. She will be buried in Ireland after Mass in St. Ambrose's. May she rest in peace.

PARISH RETREAT WEEK I am very grateful to all who gave such splendid support to our Retreat Week. Thanks to all who attended so faithfully; to those who prepared and served the teas and coffees, and who helped with Altar Serving, music, Reading and in other ways. The closing meeting will be in the Borromeo Hall this evening (Sunday) at 7.30pm and after the Office of Compline, there will be a celebratory party in the Adams lounge. There has been a very happy atmosphere throughout, and there is no doubt that we have been blessed. Thank you.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION after their years of dedicated service, JANINA KOWALIK AND PAM LAY have retired as Ministers of Holy Communion. We thank them for all that they have done. DOMINIC BAYLIE will not be continuing at present. I am grateful to CHARLES DUNCOMBE, CHRISTINE ELLWOOD, MARGARET HOLMES, ADAM NICHOLLS, JOSEPH SCROCCA AND PAUL STRIDE, who have agreed to be commissioned for service to the sick, and at the Altar. They will prepare with the Revd. Peter Hesketh, and they will be

commissioned during Mass at Our Lady's on Monday, April 2nd, at 7.30pm. All our Ministers are requested to be present at that Mass and they will be re-commissioned for the ensuing three years.

BROWNIES The Brownies are on parade at Our Lady's today, and will be selling cakes after Mass. Please be generous in supporting them.

<u>COFFEES/TEAS</u> will be provided in the Borromeo Hall after 10.30am Mass today by the Ambrosians and next Sunday by the C.M.S.

PARISH RAMBLE We meet at 1.00pm Sunday 18th March in Area D1 of Webbs Garden Centre car park on A38 at Wychbold, between Bromsgrove and Droitwich. 3+ mile circular walk, some stiles.

TOWN CENTRE CLERGY The bi-monthly meeting and lunch for the Town Centre Clergy takes place on Tuesday at Our Lady's from 12.30pm.

<u>CATHOLIC BASICS</u> A brief introduction to the pattern of Church History will be given at our meeting on Tuesday evening at Our Lady's commencing at 7.30pm.

<u>WHIST DRIVE/BINGO</u> please remember the Whist Drive in the Borromeo Hall every Wednesday at 2.00pm and Bingo in the Adams Lounge on Tuesday & Saturdays at 8.00pm. Everyone welcome.

<u>FIRST HOLY COMMUNION</u> Parents and children are reminded of the meeting in the School Hall on Wednesday at 6.30pm. We shall be discussing the Sacrament of God's forgiveness, and how we can prepare our children for their First Confession.

<u>CATHOLIC MEN'S SOCIETY</u> The next Plan meeting will be on Wednesday 28th March in Our Lady & St. Pius X at 7.30pm. for Stations of the Cross prior to discussing Bulletin 2. All men of the Parish are invited to come along, whether they are members or not

SOCIETY F ST. VINCENT DE PAUL next meeting takes place on Friday march 23rd at 8pm. In the Hall/Rectory. New members welcome.

YOUTH CLUB Peter Grealy will lead the Youth Club members in Stations of the Cross on Thursday at 7pm. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for Adoration at 7.30pm as usual.

PASSOVER SUPPER this year takes place on Wednesday 4th April at 7.00pm. Please indicate on the sheet at the back of the Church if you wish to attend. Numbers restricted to 150, closing date 24th March.

FAIRTRADE BANANA CAMPAIGN The sale of Fairtrade Bananas in the Borromeo Room after Mass on Sundays is aimed at helping to safeguard the livelihoods of small farmers in Costa Rica, the Windward Islands, Ecuador and Ghana. The bananas are sold singly at supermarket prices. Please support.

<u>KIDDERMINSTER MALE CHOIR</u> Spring Concert featuring Wessex Male Choir on Saturday 14th April in Kidderminster Town Hall at 7.30pm. Tickets; hall £8, balcony £10 from Kidderminster Town Hall, Cleancall, Stourport, John Beard, Ironmongers, Kidderminster Designs by Kim Johnson, Comberton Hill, the choir ticket Officer, K. 751922 or any choir member.

<u>CRIME STOPPERS</u> This organisation adopted by all Police forces within the UK, aims to provide an effective method of communicating information about crime anonymously, so that offenders can be brought to justice. The Crimestoppers telephone number is 07800 555 111. Calls are anonymous, no name, addresses or sources of information are required, and rewards are sometimes payable. We have been asked to make this information public. Further details: 01952 602634.

- **FINANCES** i. Thank you for last week's Offertory £770.82 (Envelope Scheme £227.50 Loose £543.32)
 - ii. A further £24 is to be added to our Family Fast Day..
 - iii. We acknowledge a further donation from the Whist Drive £100. Many thanks.
 - iv. Donations to CAFOD were £92.39