THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF KIDDERMINSTER

ST. AMBROSE'S, Birmingham Road, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY10 2BY. (01562 822839)

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, Fr Derek Edwards

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

Seventeenth Sunday
Entrance Antiphon:

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God is in his holy dwelling; he will give a home to the lonely, he gives power and strength to his people.

Response to the Psalm: On the day I called, you answered me, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us; to all who did accept him he gave power to

become children of God. Alleluia!

Preface, Eucharistic Prayer & Memorial Acclamation: As appointed by the Celebrant. **Communion Antiphon:** Oh bless the Lord, my soul, and remember all his kindness.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK: M. St Peter Chrysologus; T. St Ignatius of Loyola; W. St Alphonsus Ligouri; S. St John Vianney.

Mass Times and Intentions for the Coming Week

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Monday9.00 a.m.Fr Clive Loosemore RIPTuesday7.30 a.m.The Williams Family9.00 a.m. Denis Powell RIPWednesday7.30 a.m.Biddy O'Reilly RIP9.00 a.m. Ann Llewellyn RIP

Thursday 9.00 a.m. Pat Coffey (Anniv) 7.30 p.m. Adoration until 10pm (Compline 9.45 p.m.)

Friday 7.10 p.m. Rosary 7.30 p.m. Angelo Vaccaro RIP Saturday 9.00 a.m. (Latin) Fr Philip Lynch (Anniv) 5.45 p.m. Vincenzo Finella RIP

Sunday 9.30 a.m. George & Josie Tiernan (Anniv)

Our Lady's

Monday 7.30 p.m. Julianne Grady RIP Wednesday 7.30 p.m. Adoration until 8.30pm

Friday 9.00 a.m. – 9.45 a.m. Adoration 10.00 a.m. Giorgio Scrocca RIP

Saturday 9.30 a.m. John Power RIP

Sunday 5.00 p.m. Frank & Bridie O'Callaghan RIP

Sacred Heart

Sunday 11.30 a.m. The People of the Parish

Confessions: **St Ambrose's:** Saturday: 11.45am-12.45pm 6.30pm-7.00pm 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, Eric Whittaker, Ada Wall, Maggie Booton, Keith Southall, Eric Turner, Lillian Insleay, Jean Legierski, Joe and Joan Whitfield, Carmen Thomas, Margaret Norris, Bill Nicholl, Mary Jones, Wilf Bradley, Edith Wilkes, May Hampsey, Jacqueline Byrne, Christine Barber, John Mullen, Bill Pardoe, Sheila Mikulicz, Rene Caulfield, Marion Thomson, Rita Vaccaro, Pat Norris, Lucy Dudzinski, Janet Richards, Liz Ashcroft, Phil Eady, Eamonn Dalton, Mary Cull, Jim Valentine, Amelia Gissyng, Kathleen Whatley, Margaret Grimley, Jean McHugh, Arwen Lockley, Maria Bradley, Peggy Baynton, Josepl Samways, Jo Kean, Norman Taylor, Patrick O'Connor, Helen Drew, Simon Sadler, Con Griffin, Diane Grovenor, Kitty Cooper, Bill Perry, Nora Collins, Jennifer Bush, Anthony Georgieff, Joan Wareham, Steven Mitchell, Thomas Anderson, Linda Button, Ellen Patton, Fernanda Maffei, Gertraud & Dominik Chrzan and Christopher Thomas.

Ministries for the Coming Week

St Ambrose's

Church Cleaners: Team B Offertory Counters: 5 Children's Liturgy: To be appointed.

Altar Servers at St Ambrose's

Weekday mornings: Volunteers please.

Saturday 5.45pm: Team A Sunday 9.30am : Team B

Eucharistic Ministers Reader
Saturday 5.45pm: C Ellwood, J Nangle M Holmes

Sunday 9.30am : M Bradley, P Lay, M Roy, G Whitwam T Heywood

Our Lady's

Sunday 5.00pm: V Page, J Scully, B Taylor, L Whatley J Page, A McDermott

Parish Prayer: O God, the Creator and Giver of all things, bless our Parish in this united endeavour. Strengthen our faith, gram 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.

<u>UBI CARITAS DIOCESAN AWARD – 19th July 2007:</u> Thank you to all who came to support me last Thursday at the Cathedral, and to those who sent me cards and Mass intentions. The presence of so many friends was a great consolation to both Pat and myself. God Bless you all. Alan Norris.

<u>Coffees/Teas:</u> will be provided in the Borromeo Hall after 9.30am Mass today by the Children's Liturgy Group and next Sunday by the Choir.

<u>Cardinal Newman:</u> The Annual Mass for the Beatification of Cardinal Newman will be offered at the Birmingham Oratory at 12 noon on Saturday August 11th. The prayers at the Cardinal's graveside at Rednal will be at 3 pm on Sunday August 12th. The grounds will be open at 2.15 pm.

Ambrosian Group: There will be an outing for lunch at the Little Lakes Country Club on Thursday 16th August; Members of Our Lady's Friendship Club will also be coming along. The cost for a three course carvery lunch will be £10.99. If interested, please phone Peter Young on K. 639068 or contact Joyce Gavan.

Rosary Rally: The Annual Rosary Rally to pray for World Peace and Vocations to the Religious Life will take place at Grace Dieu Manor, Leicestershire on Sunday, August 19th with Mass at 3.00pm, Crowning of Our Lady's Statue, Rosary Procession, Blessing of the Sick and concluding with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. See Noticeboard for further details.

Dowry of Mary Pilgrimage, Walsingham: Sunday, 9th September 2007 led by Rt. Rev. Michael Evans, Bishop of East Anglia, who would like to make this year's pilgrimage "an international and multicultural one."

Macmillan Coffee Morning: This year's coffee morning will be held on 28th September in the Borromeo Hal from 9 am. Please make a note in your diary.

Learning about the Catholic Faith: There is a serious obligation on all of us to be aware of what the Churcl teaches, to be able to give an account of it, and to be able to defend it. In the autumn we shall, as usual, have a series of meetings. A group of parents of children in our School expressed an interest in learning about the Catholic Faith, and perhaps in joining the Catholic Church. Some are unable to attend evening meetings and it has been suggested that we try to organise a series of meetings during the school term perhaps from 9.10am-10.00an or 2.15pm-3.05pm, to coincide with bringing children to school, or collecting them. I would be interested in hearing the views of parishioners about this proposal. The weekly meetings in the evenings will continue. I an particularly grateful to Kay Kelly, Cathy Kneuss and Tim Heywood who are already mentoring three folk who have already expressed an interest in joining us in Full Communion.

Will you wish to have a Catholic Funeral?: There have been a number of good and faithful Catholics who have not had the privilege of a Catholic Funeral, especially if the children or family members do not practice their faith simply because their wishes were not made better known. Please ensure that your family members are aware, and include in your Will if necessary, that you wish to have a full Catholic Funeral Mass, if that is your desire.

Parish Renewal – Year of Celebration: A large group of parishioners met at Our Lady's on Wednesday evening and decided that our Year will begin with a Festival of Music on St Ambrose's Day, December 7th. The Schoo will be invited to perform a Pageant on the life of St Ambrose in November 2008. A flower Festival in Septembe will culminate in a Recital by the Kidderminster Valentines on September 14th. The Catholic Men's Society, in addition to undertaking the publicity for our YEAR, will also promote a Parish Pilgrimage in the Spring of 2008 Two lectures will be given during the year – one on the significance and history of our Church building (Spring 2008) and one on the Life and Spirituality of St Ambrose (Autumn 2008). Miriam Cunliffe has agreed to collate material for a Book of Reminiscences, and we hope to have a display of archival material. An Exterior Banner will proclaim the Year of Celebration and a Parish Processional Banner will be commissioned. The Anniversary Dinne will be on October 10th/11th, and the Archbishop will celebrate the Solemnity of St Ambrose on December 7th 2008. This is a wonderfully imaginative programme and I hope all will be prepared to support it.

Finances:

- i Last week's offertory collected £751.17 (Loose £519.67; Envelope Scheme £231.50).
- ii Thanks to our subscribers to the Priests' Training Fund who have donated a further £60.50.
- iii Further hymn book donations have been received at Our Lady's. Thank you.

Diary Dates:

- i Area Mass at Our Lady's for parishioners from Sutton Farm, Marlpool and Franche Wednesday, October 3rd 7.30pm.
- ii Area Mass at St Ambrose's for parishioners from Sion Hill, Broadwaters and Offmore Farm Friday October 26th, 7.30pm.
- iii Harvest Mass & Thanksgiving Supper. Sacred Heart, Tenbury Wells Friday September 28th, 7.00pm.
- iv Cemetery Service Sunday November 4th, 3.00pm.
- v Mass for Deceased Parishioners. Friday November 23rd, 7.30pm.