THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF KIDDERMINSTER

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BRCDTR Registered as a Charity

Parish Clergy: Fr Douglas Lamb Fr Derek Edwards Revd. Peter Hesketh In retirement: Revd Dr Peter Mason, Revd Thomas Ashcroft

Twenty eighth Sunday in Year C Ps

Psalter Week 4

Pope John Sunday Missal p.977 Weekend: October 13th/14th 2007

Entrance Antiphon: If you, O Lord, laid bare our guilt, who could endure it? But you are forgiving, God of Israel.

Response to the Psalm: The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! For all things give thanks, because this is what God expects you to do in Christ Jesus. Alleluia!

Preface: and Eucharistic Prayer: IV p. 584 Memorial Acclamation: II

Communion Antiphon: When the Lord is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK: Mon: St Teresa of Avila Tue: St Margaret Mary Alacoque Wed: St Ignatius Thur: St Luke Fri: St Paul of the Cross

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

St Ambrose's

Mon: 7.30 am KA Kuriakose RIP
Tues: 9.15 am Doreen Casson RIP
Wed: 8.30 am Anthony Griffin RIP

Thurs: 8.30 am Teresa Lee & Robert Swan 7.30 pm Adoration until 10 pm (Compline 9.45 pm) Fri: 7.10 pm Rosary 7.30 pm Holy Communion

Sat: 5.45 pm Jack & Amy Connolly RIP

Sun: 9.30 am Joseph Rywacki RIP

Our Lady's

Mon: 7.30 pm HOLY COMMUNION (Prayer Group)

Wed: 7.30 pm October Devotions

Fri: 9.00 am – 9.45 am Adoration 10.00 am Special Intention

Sat: 9.30 am David Rea (Anniv)

Sun: 5.00 pm The People of the Parish

Sacred Heart

Sun: 11.30 am Fr Sylvester Cotter (Anniv)

CONFESSIONS St Ambrose's: Saturday: NO MIDDAY CONFESSIONS 6.30 – 7.00 pm and by request

Our Lady's: Saturday after 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, Joseph 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 and Dominik Chrzan, Christopher Thomas, Kathleen Mellsop, Suzanne Sturnock, Shirley Hale, Francesca Marciante, Marion Birch, Pat Quinn and Archbishop Maurice Couve de Murville.

MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

St Ambrose's

Church Cleaners: Team A Offertory Counters Group 8 Children's Liturgy: to be appointed

Altar Servers: weekday mornings: Gian Carlo Sumpagpao Cameron Smart Sat. 5.45 pm Saturday team Sun. 9.30 am Team B

Eucharistic Ministers Readers
Sat. 5.45 pm C Ellwood B McFarland M Holmes
Sun. 9.30 am R Barber M Bradley C Duncombe A Nicholls D Reynolds

Our Lady's

Sun. 5.00 pm P Collins J Gavan V Page J Scully B Gavan M Hesketh

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.

Thanks: Mary and Paul Collins would like to express their extreme gratitude to everyone who sent cards, gifts and good wishes following the birth of their daughter, Theresa Mary.

Baptism: This afternoon the Revd Peter Hesketh will baptise ALFIE GOODYEAR-PAYNE. We congratulate his family and welcome them to the Family of God in our Parish.

Sympathy: Please pray for Chris Geraghty whose brother MICHAEL CANNON died recently in Ireland after a long illness. May he rest in peace.

Anniversary: Next Thursday is the anniversary of the death in 1912 of Fr ALFRED HALL (Parish Priest 1884 -5). Requiescant.

Absent: Fr Edwards is still recovering from his recent surgery and is still unable to return to the Parish. Please keep him in your prayers. **Finance Committee:** I am grateful to CHRIS STANLEY (the Co-ordinator of our Tenbury Community) who has agreed to join the Parish Finance Committee.

Club News: The end of year accounts have now been completed and are available in the Club for inspection. They show that the Club continues to prosper both financially as well as socially. Weekly targets are more than being met and the loan taken out for the refurbishment will be completely paid off at the end of the month. The Parish Hall and Club are now working more closely together with many more bookings being taken for parties, weddings etc hence making the Parish Centre a very popular venue. Because of the good response we had to introducing 'Real Ale' we shall be organising a 'Guest Beer' on a monthly basis in the near future.

Coffees/teas: will be provided in the Borromeo Hall after 9.30 am Mass today by the CMS and next Sunday by the Ambrosians. **Cake Sale:** TODAY in the Borromeo Hall after 9.30 am Mass in aid of UCM charities.

October Devotions: This evening in St Ambrose's at 6.30pm with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament; and at Our Lady's on Wednesday at 7.30 pm.

Christmas Bazaar - Saturday 17th November in the Town Hall.: There will be a short meeting in the Adams Lounge on Monday 7.30 pm for all stall holders, representatives of Parish groups or anyone willing to help in any way. Donations of bric-a-brac, toys, books, white elephant, home produce can be brought to the Rectory and will be gratefully received.

Called to be Saints: Our programme made an encouraging opening on Tuesday. This week we will consider the person of MARY, Mother of God and Mother of the Church; and of devotion to Our Lady in the Church. Please meet in Church for Night Prayer (The Office of Compline) at 7.45 pm.

Whist/Bingo: The Whist Drive continues every Wednesday at 2 pm in the Borromeo Hall, and Bingo in the Adams Lounge on Tuesday and Saturday from 8 pm.

Ambrosian Group: The monthly shared lunch for retired/semi-retired parishioners is in the Borromeo Hall on Thursday from 11.45 am. This would be an ideal opportunity to enrich the social life of our Parish by JOINING!

Confirmation: the next meeting of parents and families preparing for Confirmation takes place in the School hall this Thursday at 6.30 pm. **Youth Club:** Young members of the Parish are invited to the Borromeo Hall on Thursdays from 7 - 8.30 pm. There are plenty of activities available and some good ideas for future events.

Finding out more about the Church: A number of parents have agreed to meet Fr Lamb in the Church next Friday, October 19th at 2 pm, and will have a tour of the Church with an opportunity to ask questions about various features, and practices in order that they will be able to help their children and answer some of their children's questions. This meeting will last for about ONE hour and is open to ALL parents and parishioners.

Parish Pilgrimage Walk to Harvington: takes place NEXT Sunday leaving St Ambrose's Church car park at 1 pm. On arrival tea and coffee will be available in the Stable – bring your own food. Benediction and Evening Prayer will take place at **3.30 pm** (note the change in time) in the Church. We are grateful to those who have offered lifts back though more offers would be welcome – please sign the list at the back of church.

Area Mass: Parishioners who live in Sion Hill, Broadwaters, Offmore Farm, Wolverley and Cookley are invited to offer Mass together in St Ambrose's on FRIDAY OCTOBER 26th at 7.30 pm though of course all parishioners are welcome to join us. There will be a social gathering afterwards although many may wish to take part in the **Soup and Pudding Evening:** An opportunity to prepare a special soup recipe OR cook an exotic pudding or BOTH on Friday 26th October from 8.15 pm and bring either or both along to the Borromeo Hall to share with fellow parishioners. Prize winning entry donation and the Parish Priest will host a Food & Drink Trivia Quiz during the interval. Raffle available during what should be an enjoyable evening.

Study Day: on the Journey to Heaven in Art, Music, Prayer and Poetry. Organised by the Lay Dominicans at Maryvale Institute, Old Oscott Hill, Kingstanding, Saturday 27th October. Talks of Christ's Victory over Death, and Dante's and Newman's Poetry start at 11 am. Mass 12.20. Talk on the Last Things in Music starts at 2 pm. Evening Prayer 4pm. All welcome Cost £6 (concessions £3, students free). **Cemetery Service:** The Service of Prayer and Blessing of Graves in Kidderminster Cemetery will taken place on SUNDAY NOVEMBER 4th beginning at 3 pm.

Elgar Evening: a further presentation by Tony Cross and George Wallis, entitled ELGAR and the DREAM OF GERONTIUS will be given in the Borromeo Hall on Sunday November 4th from 7.15 pm. Those who attended the previous presentation will remember how enjoyable it was. It is a very appropriate theme for November when we pray especially for the Holy Souls.

Eco-friendly light bulbs: are available from all our Churches.

- Finances: i. Last week's Offertory was £758.82 for which many thanks (Envelope Scheme £202 Loose £556..82)
 - ii The Harvest Fast Day Collection raised £451.35
 - iii An additional £20.18 was donated for CAFOD
 - iv Our Lady's Brownies raised £55.10 from their Harvest Thanksgiving. Congratulations.