

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF KIDDERMINSTER
ST AMBROSE'S Birmingham Road Kidderminster DY10 2BY (01562 822839)
OUR LADY & ST PIUS Canterbury Road Habberley (01562 748474)
SACRED HEART & OUR LADY Berrington Road Tenbury Wells
 BRCOTR Registered as a Charity
 Parish Clergy: Fr Douglas Lamb, Fr Derek Edwards, Revd Peter Hesketh
 In Retirement: Revd Dr Peter Mason, Revd Thomas Ashcroft

Eighteenth Sunday Year A Psalter Week 2 Pope John Sunday Missal p 672 2nd/3rd August 2008

Entrance Antiphon: God, come to my help, Lord quickly give me assistance. You are the one who helps me and sets me free: Lord, do not be long in coming.
Response to the Psalm: You open wide your hand, O Lord, you grant our desires.
Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Alleluia!
Preface, Eucharistic Prayer, Memorial Acclamation: As appointed by the celebrant.
Communion Antiphon: The Lord says: I am the bread of life. A man who comes to me will not go away hungry, and no-one who believes in me will thirst.

Feast Days this Week: **Mon:** St John Vianney, **Tues:** The dedication of St Mary Major, **Wed:** The Transfiguration, **Fri:** St Dominic, **Sat:** St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein)

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

St Ambrose's

Mon 7.30 am Special Intention (Francis)
Tues 1.30 pm Funeral: Peter Ward RIP
Wed 9.00 am In Thanksgiving (Mortiboy)
Thurs 9.00 am Frank Legierski (Anniv)
7.30 pm Adoration until 10 pm (Compline 9.45 pm)
Fri 7.10 pm Rosary **7.30 pm** Kathy Byrne and Family
Sat 5.45 pm Vincenzo Finella RIP
Sun 9.30 am Bridie Mason RIP

Our Lady's

Mon 7.30 pm Eric Ernest Holtham (Anniv)
Fri 9.00 – 9.45 am Adoration **10.00 am** Holy Communion
Sat 10.00 am Mary Collins RIP
Sun 5.00 pm Mariantonia Panaro RIP

Sacred Heart

Sun 11.30 am Intentions of Annette Rubalcaba

CONFESSIONS:

St Ambrose's: Saturday 11.45 am – 12.45 pm, 6.30 pm – 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:
 William Patrick Bannister, Anthony Piechowicz, Jumper Collins, Elizabeth Westwood, Sylvia Jay, Marie Woodfine, Tony O'Dowd, Vera Farley, Gene Whitwam, Martin Cahill, Eric Whittaker, Maggie Booton, Keith Southall, 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, Eamonn Dalton, Mary Cull, Jim Valentine, Amelia Gissyng, Arwen Lockley, Maria Bradley, Peggy Baynton, Joseph Samways, Jo Kean, Norman Taylor, Patrick O'Connor, Helen Drew, Con Griffin, Diane Grovenor, Kitty Cooper, Nora Collins, Jennifer Bush, Anthony Georgieff, Joan Wareham, Steven Mitchell, Linda Button, Fernanda Maffei, Gertraud and Dominik Chrzan, Kathleen Mellsop, Shirley Hale, Francesca Marciante, Pat Quinn, Frank Kane, Connie Maund, Fr David Higham, John Freeman, Eileen Postans, Joan Bone, Baby Holly, Janet Richards, Phil Eady, Joni Dunlea, Brigid Bradbury, Peter McQuillan, Felicity Librie, Sr Maureen Fay, Mario Mazzone, May Williams and Baby Samways.

MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK:

St Ambrose's

Church Cleaners: Team C **Offertory Counters:** Group 2 **Children's Liturgy:** to be appointed

Altar Servers:

Sat 5.45 pm: Usual Serving Team

Sun 9.30 am: Usual Serving Team

Eucharistic Ministers

Sat 5.45 pm C Hopkins, B McFarland

Sun 9.30 am M Bradley, D Duncombe, T Hart, C Vass

Readers

E Manley

R Barber

Our Lady's

Sun 5.00 pm B Gavan, J Gavan, M Hesketh, A McDermott

K Kelly, H Bearne

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.

A note from Veronica Page: I would like to thank everyone for the many, many get well cards and get well wishes I received due to my very sudden admission to hospital. It was very uplifting, knowing so many people were praying, and thinking about me. I am recovering, and hope to see you all very soon. Love and God Bless to you all.

Lately Dead: On Friday we had the Funeral Mass of Mary Ward, who moved into the Parish a few years ago and was a regular and faithful member of our Saturday evening congregation. Peter Ward, whose family has been associated with our Parish for very many years, died after a relatively short illness while on holiday with his family. His funeral is on Tuesday afternoon. May they rest in peace.

Absent: The Parish Priest will be absent on holiday after Mass on Monday until 28 August.

Coffees/Teas: provided today in the Borromeo Hall after 9:30 am Mass by the Rainbows, and next Sunday by the UCM.

Habberley PACT Meeting: At Our Lady and St Pius X, Habberley, on Tuesday, 5 August at 6:30 pm.

Society of St Vincent de Paul: The next meeting takes place on Tuesday, 5 August at 8:00 pm in the Rectory. New members welcome.

Friendship Club Lunch at Little Lakes: £13 for three courses, 12:30 pm. Open to anyone who wishes to join us. Please contact Joyce Gavan or Marie Hesketh (01562) 748474.

Harvington Pilgrimage: The Annual Pilgrimage in honour of the English Martyrs takes place on Sunday, 31 August. This year the Rt Rev William Kenney, Auxiliary Bishop of Birmingham, will be the Principal Celebrant of the Mass, which begins at 3:00 pm. The Church will be available for Confessions 1:45 – 2:30 pm. Seating in the Hall grounds is limited, so it is advisable to bring folding chairs. After Mass there will be refreshments in the garden of the Priest's House. Free timed tours of Harvington Hall are available to pilgrims on the day, but must be booked in advance. Tours for parish groups must be booked directly with the Hall by their Parish Priest and each group cannot exceed 20 persons. Individual pilgrims should book their tours directly with the Hall on (01562) 777846 prior to the day. Tours are available each half hour commencing at 12:15 pm.

Valentines Choir: The Valentines Choir and the Beaufort Male Choir from Wales will take part in a concert as part of St Ambrose's Festival of Flowers and Music. This superb two-choir concert will be held in St Ambrose's Church during the Flower Festival weekend at 7:30 pm on Saturday, 13 September. It is an event not to be missed! Tickets cost only £6 and are available from Carol Watkins, Pam Cunningham, Elaine Yates, Madeleine Roy and Shirley Keogh. All profits will go to St Ambrose's Parish.

Parish Sponsored Walk: As part of the 150th Anniversary celebrations a sponsored walk will take place on Saturday, 20 September, starting at 12 noon, from Blackstone Rock car park. The walk is approximately 5½ miles along the River Severn and back across farmland. Sponsor forms will be available at the back of Church. All proceeds to Parish funds. For further details please contact Teresa Alexander (K 741794) or Chris Vass (K630949).

Finances:

- i. Thank you for last week's Offertory of £951.51 (envelope scheme £323.50, loose £628.01).
- ii. CAFOD donations were £21.18.
- iii. Once more, we are grateful for a donation of £100 from the Whist players.
- iv. The Skittles Evening made a surprise, and welcome, profit of £18.60. It was surprising because it enabled us to pay all the expenses for the re-opening weekend, and still have this surplus. Thank you.
- v. Those who participated in the Julian Group Retreat at Tenbury contributed £40 to our funds, for which we are grateful.

Thanks: The Loop System was exhaustively tested last Monday, with the co-operation of several parishioners. The report is that no fault at all can now be found with it. Thanks to those who spent most of Monday morning ensuring that the system is now 'fit for purpose'.