

**ST AMBROSE'S PARISH KIDDERMINSTER**

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SACRED HEART & OUR LADY Berrington Road, Tenbury Wells

Parish Clergy: Fr Douglas Lamb, Fr Derek Edwards, Revd Peter Hesketh

In Retirement: Revd Thomas Ashcroft, Revd Dr Peter Mason

In Preparation: Charles Duncombe

Fourth Sunday in Eastertide Year B Psalter Week 4 Pope John Sunday Missal p 416 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> May 2009

Feast Days this Week: Monday: The English Martyrs

**MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK:**

**St Ambrose's**

Mon	9.00 am	Mario Mazzone RIP
Tues	7.30 am	Michael Hodges RIP
	9.15 am	Elizabeth Holloway RIP
Wed	7.30 am	Deceased Ford and Weaver
	8.30 am	Mary Reep RIP
	<b>Adoration all day until 7:30 pm Devotions</b>	
Thurs	8.30 am	Con Griffin RIP
	7.30 pm	Adoration all day 10 pm (Compline 9.45 pm)
Fri	7.10 pm	Rosary 7:30 pm Michela Butera RIP
Sat	9.00 am	(Old Rite) Crescension Velasco RIP
	5.45 pm	Deceased of the Egan family
Sun	9.30 am	Rowland Hill RIP
	6.30 pm	May Procession and Crowning of Our Lady's Statue

**Our Lady's**

Mon	7.30 pm	Anthony O'Dowd RIP
Fri	9.00 – 9.45 am	Adoration 10.00 am Intentions of Carmen Thomas
Sat	10.00 am	John Nolan RIP
Sun	5.00 pm	Kathleen Evans RIP

**Sacred Heart**

Sun	11.30 am	The People of the Parish
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**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 Mass  
**Sacred Heart:** By request

**MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK:**

**Altar servers for morning Mass:**

Charlie Gough and Tommy Patrick

**Eucharistic Ministers**

St Ambrose's	Sat	5.45 pm	J Nangle, M Weaver
	Sun	9.30 am	R Barber, D Holdstock, P Lay, C Vass
Our Lady's	Sun	5.00 pm	M Hesketh, A McDermott
Sacred Heart	Sun	11.30 am	M Peyton

**Readers**

C Atkins  
T Grantham  
M Bowdler, P Bowdler  
The Stanleys

Church Cleaners (St Ambrose's): Team B

Offertory Counters: Group 1

**Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially:** William Patrick Bannister, Anthony Piechowicz, Jumper Collins, Elizabeth Westwood, Sylvia Jay, Vera Farley, Gene Whitwam, Martin Cahill, Eric Whittaker, Maggie Booton, Keith Southall, Jean Legierski, Joe and Joan Whitfield, Carmen Thomas, Margaret Norris, Bill Nicholl, Wilf Bradley, Edith Wilkes, May Hampsey, Jacqueline Byrne, Christine Barber, John Mullen, Bill Pardoe, Sheila Mikulicz, Rene Caulfield, Marion Thomson, 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, Diane Grovenor, Kitty Cooper, Anthony Georgieff, Steven Mitchell, Linda Button, Fernanda Maffei, Gertraud Chrzan, Nora Collins, Jennifer Bush, Kathleen Mellsop, Shirley Hale, Francesca Marciante, Pat Quinn, Frank Kane, Connie Maund, John Freeman, Eileen Postans, Joan Bone, Janet Richards, Phil Eady, Joni Dunlea, Brigid Bradbury, Peter McQuillan, Sr Maureen Fay, May Williams, Baby Samways, Marjorie Johnson, Magda Morris, Margaret George, Anthea Speers, Nancy Ruffinato, Patricia Virr, Giaconda Salsano, Lawrence Speers, Michael Maffei, Tina Hawkins, Michelle Hamm, Dorothy Breese, Jean Dalton, Jean Mulligan, Angela Privitera, Bill Trow, Kate Norton, Harold Salter, Cecil Smith, Abraham Doherty, Giuseppe Marciante, Peter Berry and Wendy Tait.

**Entrance Antiphon:** The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia!

**Response to the Psalm:** The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.

**Gospel acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own sheep and my own know me. Alleluia!

**Preface:** of Lent, I or II **Eucharistic Prayer:** at choice **Memorial Acclamation:** at choice

**Communion Antiphon:** The Good Shepherd is risen! He who laid down his life for his sheep, who died for his flock, he is risen, alleluia!

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**Polish Club:** As many parishioners may know, the Polish Ex-Combatants Association Club in George Street has now ceased trading, and has effectively closed. Members of the Polish Club have expressed a wish to stay together, and continue to enjoy social and recreational time together. Committee members have met with our Directors and we have agreed to provide whatever hospitality and help we can. We look forward to the new relationship, and will do all we can to make our new members welcome. We hope to have a formal gathering to welcome the Polish contingent after the May Procession on 10 May, in the Adams Lounge at about 8:00 pm. In addition, Fran Oborski, the honorary Consul for Poles in this area, will hold her weekly advice centre for members of the Polish community in the Wheatley Room on Sundays 1:30 – 2:30 pm.

**Bishop Pargeter:** Next Wednesday, Bishop Pargeter celebrates the Golden Jubilee of his Priestly Ordination with Mass at St Chad's Cathedral and a reception at Oscott College. The Parish Priest will be present to offer our congratulations, and thanks for this Bishop's habitual kindness to our Parish over the years.

**Baptism:** Today we shall celebrate the Baptism of Riley James Hunter Galbraith. We welcome him and his family.

**Deaths:** Joseph Horton died in Haresbrook, Tenbury last weekend. Fr Lamb has been invited to officiate at his cremation in Hereford Crematorium on Tuesday. Eddie Mulligan, a familiar member of Our Lady's community, died on Thursday. His funeral will be on 15 May. Requiescant.

**Anniversary:** Next Thursday is the anniversary of the death in 1972 of Sr Cathaldus Cooney (Headmistress 1937-1965). May she rest in peace.

**Old Rite Mass:** The monthly Mass in the Old Rite at St Mary's, Harvington, is offered by Fr Lamb this afternoon at 3pm.

**May Devotions:** There will be May Devotions in both our Kidderminster Churches this evening at 6:30 pm, with special prayers to commemorate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Next week there will be a Procession in honour of Our Lady, and the crowning of her statue at 6:30 pm in the grounds of St Ambrose's. Nancy Hill has agreed to crown the statue. There will be tea in the Rectory garden afterwards, courtesy of the UCM.

**Ben Kelly:** On Tuesday evening, during Mass in the College Chapel at Oscott, Ben Kelly will be admitted formally as a Candidate for Holy Orders. This is an important moment in his preparation for Ordination and I do ask that we all support him with our prayers, particularly on that day. He has invited Fr Lamb to be present.

**Annual Day of Eucharistic Adoration:** At St Ambrose's on Wednesday, 6 May. It will commence with Mass at 8:30 am and conclude with Devotions at 7.30 pm, in which our prospective First Communicants and their parents will take part. We are asked to pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life in the Diocese. Please sign the list at the back of the Church so that we can ensure that the Blessed Sacrament is not unattended at any time during the day. We hope that everyone will allow some time on that day to visit the Church and pray, if only briefly, before the Blessed Sacrament. The families preparing for First Holy Communion will meet in the School Hall at 6:30 pm, and will then take part in the Devotions which will conclude the day.

**Entertainment Evening:** Hosted by Shel MacRae, ex-lead singer of The Fortunes, who, by popular demand, has been invited to appear in the Adams Lounge on Friday, 8 May from 8:00 pm. Everyone welcome, members and non-members.

**Austerity Lunch:** In support of Christian Aid, will be on Sunday, 10 May at St Mary's at 12:30 pm.

**Auction in the Adams Lounge:** There will be an auction in the Adams Lounge on Friday, 15 May. This is an opportunity to buy and sell, in an informal atmosphere. We are invited to set tables from 6:30 pm; the Lounge will be open for viewing from 7:30 pm, and Tony Perks will begin the auction at 8:30 pm. Further details from the notice boards, or from Tony himself (07830 182290). Everyone welcome to participate.

**Catholic Men's Society:** Next meeting will take place at 7:30 pm on Wednesday, 20 May at the Rectory, Birmingham Road. Fr Lamb will lead a discussion on Our Lady. All men of the Parish are welcome to attend, and newcomers will be made most welcome.

**Sacred Heart, Droitwich:** Will be celebrating the centenary of its foundation on Friday, 19 June. The celebrations will start with Mass at 7:30 pm. All Old Boys of the Sacred Heart College will be most welcome. If they do intend to come please could they let Fr T Kelly know by 5 June.

**Pilgrimage to Oxford and Littlemore:** The coach for the trip to Oxford/Littlemore has now been arranged with Woodstones Coaches for 27 June. Providing all 53 seats are sold the cost will be £8.00 per head. This will include the driver's tip and a donation to Littlemore. Please sign the list in your Church to book your seat.

**Summer Fayre:** Sunday, 5 July. We are combining both the School and the Parish into one great day. There are lists and notices at the back of Church and also in School for people who want to get involved. Please put your name down so that we can really get organised.

**Finances:**

- i We acknowledge with gratitude a very generous donation of £1,000 from the Ravenswood Trust, with a request that it should benefit our Tenbury Community. There will be a Community meeting in Tenbury on 27 May at 7:00 pm. These funds may well be of considerable help in financing our anniversary celebrations this year.
- ii Thank you for last week's Offertory of £865.19 (Envelope Scheme £314, Loose £551.19).
- iii There is to be a collection today for the Priests' Training Fund.
- iv The final total for the Mission Appeal by the Crusade of the Holy Spirit is £563.13.
- v Thanks to those who organised and prepared the very enjoyable luncheon last week to celebrate St George's Day. Their efforts were well rewarded with a profit to Parish Funds of £88.
- vi We acknowledge, yet again, a donation of £100 from the Whist Drive. This is in the Borromeo Hall on Wednesdays from 2:00 pm. All are welcome, and we much appreciate their generosity to the Parish.