ST. AMBROSE'S PARISH, KIDDERMINSTER

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PARISH CLERGY; Fr. Douglas Lamb, Fr. Derek Edwards, , Revd. Peter Hesketh

In Retirement Revd. Thomas Ashcroft; Revd. Dr. Peter Mason. In preparation: Charles Duncombe Registered as a Charity BRCDTR 234216

Sixteenth Sunday; Year B; Psalter Week 4; Pope John Sunday Missal Pg 794; Week ending July 18/19th 2009 <u>FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK;</u> W. St. Mary Magdalene Th. St. Bridget of Sweden S. St. James. Mass Times and Intentions for the Coming Week

St Ambrose's Mon 8.30am Audrey Ray RIP Tue. 9.30am Cathy Ferrier RIP Wed. 9am Ian Carroll RIP Thu. 9am Margaret Mary Devlin RIP` 7.30pm Adoration until 10pm (Compline 9..45pm) 7.10pm Rosary 7.30pm Waclaw Gissyng RIP Fri. Sat. 9am (OLD RITE) Biddy O'Reilly RIP 5.45pm Mary Ward RIP Sun. 9.30am In Thanksgiving (Janina) **Our Lady's** Mon. 7.30pm Holy Communion Fri. 9.00-9.45am Adoration 10.0am Intentions of John & Michael Hanrahan Sat, 10.00 Archbishop Couve de Murville RIP Sun. 5.00pm In Thanksgiving (Standing) Sacred Heart. Sun. 11.30am The People of the Parish (Agnes Sidebottom RIP) **CONFESSIONS:** St. Ambrose's: Saturday 11.45-12.45pm 6.30pm-7pm; and by request Our Lady's: Saturday after Mass Sacred Heart: By request. **MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK;** Altar servers for morning Mass: Tommy Patrick, Ben Fox. **Eucharistic Ministers** Readers St. Ambrose's Saturday 5.45pm. T. Alexander, T. Webb M. Holmes Sunday 9.30am C. Duncombe, P. Grealy, C. Kneuss, P. Lay D. Reynolds Sunday 5.00pm. M. Bowdler, P. Bowdler, J.DaCosta, B. Taylor K. Kelly H. Bearne Our Lady's Sacred Heart: Sunday 11.30am N. Taylor W. Moore Church Cleaners (St. Ambrose's) Team A. **Offertory Counters: Group 4** Please pray for all in our communities who are sick, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially during the Rosary at St. Ambrose's each Friday at 7.10pm. Dorothy Atwell, Christopher Aylott, William Patrick Bannister, Christine Barber, Peggy Baynton, Peter Berry, Joan Bone, Brigid Bradbury, Dorothy Breese, Linda Button, Rene Caulfield, Jumper Collins, Nora Collins, Kitty Cooper, Mary Cull, Eamonn Dalton, Joni Dunlea, Maureen Dyer, Phil Eady, Vera Farley, Sr Maureen Fay, Celia Fernandez, John Freeman, Margaret George, Anthony Georgieff, Shirley Hale, Michelle Hamm, May Hampsey, Veronica Jones, Cathy Kneuss, Cyril Laskey, Jean Legierski, Arwen Lockley, Peter McQuillan, Fernanda & Michael Maffei, Natalina Maffei, Giuseppi Marciante, Kathleen Mellsop, Sheila Mikulicz, Steven Mitchell, Magda Morris, John Mullen, Jean Mulligan, Bill Nicholl, Margaret Norris, Pat Norris, Bill Pardoe, Eileen Postans, Victoria Price, Janet Richards, Giaconda Salsano, Harold Salter, Cecil Smith, Kath Smith, Keith Southall, Anthea Speers, Wendy Tait, Carmen Thomas, Frances Tovey, Jim Valentine, Patricia Virr, Joe & Joan Whitfield, Eric Whittaker, Gene Whitwam & May Williams. Entrance Antiphon; God himself is my help. The Lord upholds my life. I will offer you a willing sacrifice; I will praise

your name, O Lord, for its goodness.

Response to the Psalm; The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord. I know them and they follow me. Alleluia.

Preface of Sundays VIII p.565 Eucharistic Prayer I p.566 Memorial Acclamation: I

Communion Antiphon: The Lord keeps in our minds the wonderful things he has done. He is compassion and love; he always provides for his faithful.

ST. AMBROSE'S SCHOOL During this past week, the Parish Priest had a very constructive meeting with the Head Mistress, Mrs Marie Yates, and also with the Foundation Governors (those nominated by the Parish to represent the Diocese). One Governor, Christine Ellwood, has been working very hard to establish links between the school and the Parish, and there are several imaginative proposals, which will involve the staff and the school community and which will be developed in the next school year (starting in September). All parishioners are welcome to join with the school for the final Mass of the Year, in Church, on Tuesday at 9.30am. Also a big thank you to all who came to the Family Mass especially the Children's Liturgy Group for the Readings, Offertory Procession and singing so well!

<u>ACADEMIC PROWESS</u> A note from the Head Mistress; The provisional Y6 SAT results have been received and are as follows: ENGLISH Level 4+ 82% Level 5 32%; MATHS level 4+ 82% Level 5 43%; SCIENCE Level 4+ 93% Level 5 43%. We are very pleased that the results show a big improvement, particularly in maths, compared to last year. Thank you everyone for your help and support.

ST. AMBROSE'S CLUB At this stage of the year, it is appropriate to draw attention to the increasing success of St. Ambrose's Club, which provides a social setting for some Parish events, and increases the potential of the Borromeo Hall. It is also ensuring a regular contribution to Parish Funds, with several additional payments which help us to meet our many financial commitments.

TEA/COFFEES will be provided in the Borromeo Hall after 9.30am Mass today by the Parents & Toddlers Group and next Sunday by the Craft Group, to whom we are very grateful for joining the rota. **PARISH RAMBLE** today 12 noon Please meet at Bewdley Holy Family Church High Street. 2-3 miles. Any more information, contact Bernard Page 01562 637456.

<u>MUSIC FOR MIDDLEBROWS</u> The next gathering is tonight, July 19th from 7.45pm to listen to some "hidden gems" – little known pieces which have particular appeal drawn from members' collections. Everyone is welcome for good music in pleasant and convivial company.

<u>YEAR OF PRIESTS</u> There will be a HOLY HOUR ON Tuesday, August 4th at 7.30pm, the 150th Anniversary of the death of St. John Vinney (Cure D'Ars). This will be the first of several events during this very special year, asking the protection of this wonderful Saint. There will be cheese and wine in the Rectory Garden afterwards. This week we should pray for:

MONDAY Canon Patrick Browne, Dean of St. Chad's Cathedral

TUESDAY Fr. Budzinski, a Polish post graduate studying at Oscott.

WEDNESDAY Fr. Timothy Burke, at 85 years of age, the oldest serving Parish Priest in the Diocese.

THURSDAY Fr. John Burns, of the combined parish of Hethe & Adderbury, Oxfordshire

FRIDAY Fr. Edward Butler, recently retired because of ill health.

SATURDAY Fr. Brendan Byrne, currently in charge at St. Bernadette's, Womborne.

SUNDAY Canon Gary Byrne, Parish Priest of St. Osburg's Coventry (and Dean of Coventry)

ENGLISH MARTYRS PILGRIMAGE The Annual Harvington Pilgrimage, in honour of the English Martyrs, will take place on Sunday September 6th. Monsignor Canon John Moran, Vicar General of the Diocese and Parish Priest of St. Mary's Harvington, will be the Principal Celebrant and Preacher of the Mass, which begins at 3pm. Please see noticeboards for details.

FINANCES

- i. The Offertory last week was £1,073.05 (Loose £678.55; Envelope Scheme £394.50) for which many thanks.
- ii. Donations to CAFOD were £5.79
- iii. Congratulations to winners of the 200 Club June draw; John Choyce (No.26) and Peggy Baynton (No.11)

SUMMER READING Have a browse through the books on the CTS stand at the back of St. Ambrose's. Plenty of choice for reflection and new directions. Perfect for travelling as they are so compact, or why not sit out in the garden and enjoy an hour reading a new little book? All titles £1.95. Also a variety of beautiful prayer cards, works of art from many sources, full of meaning and an inspiration for quiet meditation 20p each.

<u>APPRECIATION</u> Many groups and individual parishioners have gone out of their way this week to offer the Parish Priest encouragement and re-assurance. He is surprised, but very grateful.