ST. AMBROSE'S PARISH, KIDDERMINSTER

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OUR LADY & St. PIUS X, Canterbury Road, Kidderminster DY11 6DR (01562 748474)
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 Preparation: Charles Duncombe, Adam Nicholls.

Christ the King Year B Psalter Week 2 Pope John Sunday Missal p.863 November 21st/22nd 2009

Next Sunday is the First Sunday of Advent, Year C

Feast Days This Week: M. St. Clement; T. Vietnamese Martyrs; W. St. Catherine of Alexandria

Mass Times & Intentions For The Coming Week:

St. Ambrose's

Monday 7.30am Clifton Donald Young (Anniv)

Tuesday 8.30am Deceased members and friends of St. Ambrose's SVP

Wednesday 9.15am Antonio Piacquadis RIP

Thursday 8.30am Tony Cleary RIP 1.30pm FUNERAL Beatrice De Mynn RIP

7.30pm Adoration until 10pm (Compline 9.45pm)

Friday 7.10pm Rosary 7.30pm Annual Mass for Deceased Parishioners

Saturday 9am (Old Rite) Emily Kinsella RIP 5.45pm The People of the Parish Sunday 9.30am Michael Downs (Anniv) 6.30pm Advent Evening Service

Our Lady's

Monday 7.30pm Holy Communion

Friday N.B. 9.00am – 10.00am Adoration 10.15am Dave Harris (Anniv)

Saturday 10.00am Simeon Sado RIP

Sunday 5.00pm Monsignor Martin Molyneux RIP

Sacred Heart

Sunday 11.30am Margaret Kelly RIP

Confessions: St Ambrose's: Saturday 11.45am - 12.45 pm: 6.30pm - 7.00pm and by request.

Our Lady's: Saturday after Mass

Sacred Heart: By request

Ministries for the Coming Week

Altar Servers for morning Mass: Liam Timms, George Phillips

Eucharistic Ministers Readers

St Ambrose's Saturday 5.45pm T. Alexander, R. Quinn S. Baylie Sunday 9.30am C. Duncombe, B. Galvin, P. Grealy, J. Villa T. Grantham

Our Lady's Sunday 5.00pm M. Bowdler, P. Bowdler, A. McDermott, L. Whatley To be appointed

Sacred Heart Sunday 11.30a M. Peyton Trina Cole

Church Cleaners (St Ambrose's): Team C Offertory Counters: Group 6

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially:

Dorothy Atwell, Christopher Aylott, William Patrick Bannister, Christine Barber, Peggy Baynton, Peter Berry, John Blunt, Joan Bone, Brigid Bradbury, Dorothy Breese, Linda Button, Rene Caulfield, Jumper Collins, Nora Collins, Kitty Cooper, Mary Cull, Eamonn Dalton, Joni Dunlea, Phil Eady, Vera Farley, Sr. Maureen Fay, Celia Fernandez, John Freeman, Anthony Georgieff, Shirley Hale, May Hampsey, Veronica Jones, Cathy Kneuss, Cyril Laskey, Jean Legierski, Felicity Librie, Richard Lindoe, Eleanor Lloyd, Arwen Lockley, Peter McQuillan, Fernanda & Michael Maffei, Natalina Maffei, Giuseppi Marcianti, Connie Maund, Kathleen Mellsop, Sheila Mikulicz, Steven Mitchell, John Mullen, Jean Mulligan, Bill Nichol, Margaret Norris, Pat Norris, Bill Pardoe, Eileen Postans, Janet Richards, Gioconda Salsano, Harold Salter, Cecil Smith, Kath Smith, Keith Southall, Anthea Speers, Wendy Tait, Carmen Thomas, Cliff Tolley, Frances Tovey, Patricia Virr, Joe & Joan Whitfield, Eric Whittaker, Gene Whitwam, May Williams.

Entrance Antiphon: The Lamb who was slain is worthy to receive strength and divinity, wisdom and power

and honour; to him be glory and power for ever.

Response to the Psalm: The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on

the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia

Preface of the Solemnity p866. Eucharistic Prayer: II . P.573 Memorial Acclamation: IV

Communion Antiphon: The Lord will reign for ever and will give his people the gift of peace.

This parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham:

Baptism next Saturday we shall celebrate the Baptism of KELLAN SHAUN MURAN. Congratulations to his family.

<u>Departed</u> BEATRICE DE MYNN, of Canterbury Road, died peacefully at home on Monday, just a few months short of her 100th birthday. Her Funeral Mass is on Thursday. JOSEPH BURKE, whose wife died in July, died recently in a nursing home in Devon. His Funeral will be in St. Ambrose's on St. Andrew's Day. May they rest in peace.

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<u>Roadpeace Service</u> Thanks to all who supported this annual Service. We were all profoundly moved by the address of Dr. TIM HEYWOOD, which brought much consolation to be reaved families and friends.

<u>Union of Catholic Mothers</u> At the AGM last Monday, the following members were elected to Office: President: Betty Martin, Vice President: Danuta Duncombe, Secretary: Anne Colclough, Treasurer: Ann Harris.

The Society of St. Vincent De Paul helps the needy. We do this in several ways: We provide school uniforms and shoes for children to enable them to go to school; We sponsor the Women's Refuge. When the women are rehoused we help them to set up home by providing them furniture and white goods. We help the women and children in the Refuge at Christmas; We have helped them on one occasion to go for an outing by paying for a coach. We give needy families food vouchers at Christmas. A big problem is loneliness. We visit the housebound in their homes. We maintain strict confidentiality at all times. For further details, please contact Olaf De Costa c/o the Rectory.

<u>Year of Priesthood</u> Very soon, our new Archbishop will be installed, and he has asked for the support of our prayers. Please remember him, and the following priests of our Diocese:

MON. Fr. Bengt Jakobson, now at the joint Parish of Tipton and Dudley

TUE. Dom Cuthbert Johnson, former Abbot of Quatt, now Chaplain at Oulton Abbey.

WED. Fr. Paul Johnson, the most recently ordained priest in the Diocese, working in Coventry.

THU. Dom Richard Jones, a monk of Douai, at Our Lady and St. Joseph, Alcester.

FRI. Fr. Anthony Jones, on the staff of Maryvale.

SAT. Fr. Peter Jones, formerly at Our Lady's, responsible for music formation in the Diocese.

SUN. Fr. Michael Jordan, now over 80 years old, still running St. Joseph the Worker, Coventry.

Teas/coffees will be provided in the Borromeo Room after 9.30am Mass today by FOSAS and next Sunday by the Pre-school Group.

Holy Hour promoted each year by the Catholic Men's Society - today at St. Wulstans, Stourport at 3pm.

Service of Reconciliation and Healing This evening at 6.30pm; an opportunity to leave behind whatever grievances, hurts, worries, fears and anxieties we may have been carrying through life, however they may have been caused. If they are committed to writing, at home before the Service or during the Service in Church, they can be consigned to the fire that will burn before the Sanctuary. There will be some guided prayers, periods of silence, concluding with Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. So many people welcomed this opportunity with gratitude, though others prefer not to attend because of the emotional impact such a Service might have. We shall pray for them, for each other, and for our Parish as one year of Grace ends, and we prepare for the Start of Advent next week-end.

<u>The Faith of the Catholic Church</u> On Tuesday at 7.45pm In the Montini room, our subject will be the Holy Spirit, and everyone will be welcome to join a lively and enjoyable meeting.

Whist Drive Every Wednesday in the Borromeo Room at 2pm - beginners most welcome.

<u>Wine Tasting</u> There will be a <u>Wine Tasting and Talk</u> presented by John Keetch followed by a selection of Cheese and Biscuits at Our Lady and St. Pius X, Habberley on Wednesday 25th November 2009 at 7.30pm. Tickets £5.

Confirmation Meeting The next meeting to prepare for Confirmation (Candidates, parents and Catechists) is I the School Hall on Thursday 26th Nov. at 6.30pm

St. Elizabeth's Convent, Minsk, Belarus, founded in 1999 with the main mission to provide spiritual and social help to the sick and the suffering. The convent took its roots from the sisterhood serving the National Psychiatric Hospital, asylums for mentally challenged children and adults and several other hospitals in the city. Nowadays in addition to its original activity the Convent is involved in religious education and publishing, completes the construction of the "House of Love and Labour", runs a homestead with the aim to help the socially vulnerable and poverty-stricken people to tackle their problems. Numerous workshops and studios have been founded within the premises of the Convent, in order to support and deveolop the above mentioned ministries. These include an icon-painting studio, sewing and embroidery workshops, candle workshop, wood carving and blacksmith workshops, and several others. All our products are made with love and deep prayer. They will be on sale at the Worcester Victorian Christmas Fayre, November 26th-29th.

<u>Kidderminster Valentines</u> invite you to come to the beautiful Sacred Heart Church in Droitwich for an afternoon service, with a carol concert, on Sunday 29th November at 2.30pm. Also, a Christmas Concert is to be held at Baxter Church by the Kidderminster Valentines, several of whom are parishioners here at St. Ambrose. Also appearing will be children from St. Ambrose School, and VOX the choir from Baxter College, as well as various soloists. The concert is for Kidderminster-Husum Twinning Association charities and is on Saturday December 5th at 7pm. Tickets for each event £6 from Pam Cunningham 01562 630914, Carol Watkins, Shirley Keogh 742343, or Judy Morris 751753.

<u>Music for Middlebrows</u> The next gathering will be in the Borromeo Hal on Sunday December 6th from 7.45pm with a further concert type programme, designed by members. Everyone welcome

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Feast of St. Ambrose 7th December 2009. A Parish Celebration will take place in the Borromeo Hall following Mass and Confirmation in the form of a shared supper. Lists are provided at the back of our churches for parishioners to complete with details of food or drink that they would like to contribute, so that items are not duplicated. Refreshments of tea and coffee will be provided by the UCM.

<u>Joseph</u> A musical telling the Nativity Story from the point of view of St. Joseph will be performed in St. Ambrose's Church at 6.30pm on Sunday 13th by New Life Together. This is an ecumenical choir drawn from churches in the Wyre Forest area, including 3 of our parishioners. You are all warmly invited to this entertaining (free!) production. See poster on notice board.

Christmas Day Lunch Trinity Methodist Church. Together with neighbouring Churches, will be hosting a lunch on Christmas Day for those who would otherwise be alone. Further details from the Rectory.

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Finances: i. Congratulations and many thanks to all who contributed in any way to the success of the Bazaar. The efforts were well rewarded with a total, so far, of £1387. Grand Draw Tickets are now available.

- ii. Thanks to the Whist Players for yet another generous donation of £100.
- iii. Last week's Offertory was £985.39 (Envelope scheme £405.29, Loose £580.10) for which, many thanks.
- iv. Donations to CAFOD were £13.64
- v. St. Ambrose's Parent and Toddler's Group raised £195 for children in need from a cake sale and raffle. Thank you everyone.