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, Adam Nicholls.

Fifth Sunday in Lent, Year C Psalter Week 1 Pope John Sunday Missal p.256. Week ending March 20th/21st, 2010 M. St Nicholas Owen (Patron of Hagley Catholic High School), Th. The Solemnity of the **FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK:**

Annunciation.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

ST. AMBROSE'S

Monday 7.30 a.m. Jack Connolly (Anniv) **Tuesday** 8.30 a.m. John & Mary Kerrigan RIP Intentions of Jennifer Thompson Wednesday 9.15 a.m.

7.30 p.m. Adoration until 10pm (Compline 9.45 p.m.) **Thursday** 8.30 a.m. Joan Wareham (Anniv)

11.30 a.m. **Friday Funeral: Rene Caulfield RIP**

> 7.10 p.m. Rosary **7.30 p.m.** Service of Penance (Visiting Priests)

(Old Rite) Bishop Humphrey Bright RIP 5.45 p.m. Ted Blakemore RIP Saturday 9.00 a.m. Sunday 9.30 a.m. Jeremy Patrick Brannan RIP No Stations of the Cross

OUR LADY'S

7.30 p.m. HOLY COMMUNION Tuesday 10.15a.m. Funeral: Jumper Collins RIP Monday

Friday **9.00 a.m. – 9.45 a.m.** Adoration **10.00 a.m.** Intentions of John Sullivan

Saturday 10.00 a.m. Mimi Robertson RIP

Sunday 5.00 p.m. The People of the Parish No Stations of the Cross

SACRED HEART

Friday 4.00 p.m. The Stations of the Cross

Sunday 11.30 a.m. In Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart and Our Lady

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

> Our Lady's Saturday: after Mass.

By request. Sacred Heart:

MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Altar Servers for morning Mass: Owen Malcolmson-Priest, Tommy Patrick

Eucharistic Ministers Readers St Ambrose's Saturday 5.45 pm: A Harris, B McFarland M Weaver Sunday 9.30 am: C Duncombe, P. Grealy, D Holdstock, C Kneuss G Pardoe

Our Lady's Sunday 5.00 pm: E Darbyshire, E Fox, C Harler, T Heywood, P Hunt H Bearne, K Kelly

Sacred Heart Sunday 11.30 am: N Naylor A Speers Church Cleaners (St Ambrose's): Team D Offertory Counters: Group 7 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, Mykola Barchuk, Peggy Baynton, Rita Blaker, Joan Bone Dorothy Breese, Linda Button, Nora Collins, David Connolly, Kitty Cooper, Mary Cull, Eamonn Dalton, Joni Dunlea, Ph Eady, Vera Farley, Sr Maureen Fay, Celia Fernandez, John Freeman, Anthony Georgieff, Muriel Godsell, Shirley Hale, Mar Hampsey, Veronica Jones, Julia Joyner, Ben Kelly, Cathy Kneuss, Cyril Laskey, Jean Legierski, Felicity Librie, Richard Lindoe, Eleanor Lloyd, Arwen Lockley, Peter McQuillan, Fernanda & Michael Maffei, Natalina Maffei, Giuseppe Marcianti Kathleen Mellsop, Sheila Mikulicz, Jean Mulligan, Bill Nicholl, Margaret Norris, Pat Norris, Bill O'Donnell, Bill Pardoe, Eileer Postans, Janet Richards, Gianconda Salsano, Harold Salter, Cecil Smith, Keith Southall, Laurence Speers, Marie Stokes Wendy Tait, Carmen Thomas, Cliff Tolley, Frances Tovey, Assunta Vaccaro, Patricia Virr, Joe & Joan Whitfield, Eric Whittaker, Gene Whitwam, and May Williams.

Entrance Antiphon: Give me justice, O God, and defend my cause against the wicked; rescue me from deceitful

and unjust men. You, O God, are my refuge.

Response to the Psalm: What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.

Gospel Acclamation: Praise to you O Christ King of eternal glory. Seek good and not evil so that you may live and

that the Lord God of Hosts may really be with you. Praise to you O Christ King of eternal

glory.

Preface of Lent I: p. 560. Eucharistic Prayer I: p. 566. **Memorial Acclamation: III.**

Communion Antiphon: Has no one condemned you? The woman answered: No one, Lord. Neither do I condemn

you: go and do not sin again.

NB: For Mass at 9.30am (the Third Scrutiny) The Readings are from Year A, p.211-214, Preface p. 214.

YEAR UF THE PRIEST: During this coming week, please pray for the following Priests of our Diocese:

Mon: Fr Michael Power, an Augustinian at St Mary's, Harborne.

Tue: Fr Martin Pratt, the Archbishop's Secretary.

Wed: Fr Joseph Quigley, Chaplain to St Paul's Convent, Selly Park; an Adviser in Catechetics.

Thur: Canon John Redford, Reader in Biblical Hermeneutics at Maryvale.

Fri: Canon Peter Reilly, now retired after many years working in Education and Hospital Chaplaincy.

Sat: Fr Michael Roche, Prior at Harborne.

Sun: Fr Thomas Rock, lives in retirement in Shropshire; long time Parish Priest of Tettenhall, Wolverhampton.

LATELY DEAD: Rene Caulfield, a stalwart parishioner for so many years, died peacefully in Cambrian House Nursing Home early on Thursday morning. She was nearly 90 years of age. Her Funeral Mass is on Friday at 11.30am. May she rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARY: Next Thursday is the anniversary of the death in 1949 of **Fr Walter Hofler**, (Parish Priest 1915-1938).

ST JOSEPH PRAYER BOOK: This beautiful prayer book is now available in our churches for those who have placed an order. There are a few additional copies available (£2 per copy).

THE THIRD SCRUTINY: Please pray for Luke Coates, Bernard Page, Martin Sanders and Keith Shelley as they draw near to the end of their preparation for being received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church at the forthcoming Easter Vigil.

PIETY STORE: We have restocked the piety; please call in for a browse. Many items we have been asked for over the last couple of months are now in. Plenty of new items to help with the children's development, also a full range of stock for Holy Communion.

TEAS AND COFFEES: will be provided in the Borromeo hall after 9.30 am Mass today by UCM and next Sunday by the CMS

PARISH RAMBLE: takes place **today** (Sunday) meeting at 12.30pm at Kingsford Forest Park car park, Blakeshall Lane near Kinver Edge. The walk is moderately easy along woodland tracks and country lanes, around 3³/₄ miles in length. Contact: Chris Vass (K. 630949).

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: The Devotion will be in our Kidderminster Churches this evening at 6.30pm and at the Sacred Heart in Tenbury on Friday at 4.00pm.

FETE MEETING: There will be a Fete Meeting in the Adams Lounge tomorrow at 7.30pm, to which everyone is invited, especially those who may have new ideas.

UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS: will meet on Monday at 8.15pm in the Borromeo Hall. New members will be most welcome. **RAINBOWS/BROWNIES:** Will be holding an Easter Fayre in Our Lady's Church Hall on Tuesday, March 23rd from 5.30pm-7.00pm. All welcome. Proceeds to Parish Funds.

TOWN CLERGY FRATERNAL: Clergy from the Town's Christian Churches will be joining for lunch at St Ambrose's on Wednesday at 12.30pm.

WHIST DRIVE/BINGO: All are welcome to join our whist players every Wednesday in the Borromeo Hall at 2.00pm. Experience is not necessary. A reminder also of Bingo in the Adams Lounge on Tuesdays and Saturdays from 8.00pm.

ARCHBISHOP OSCAR ROMERO: Mass to mark the 30th Anniversary of the assassination of Archbishop Oscar Romero is on Wednesday 24th March at 7.00pm in St Chad's Cathedral.

SUPER SOUP: A Bowl of Soup will be provided at 54 Nursery Grove next Thursday from 12 noon to 2.00pm in support of Christian Aid. Details on Notice Boards.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: The next meeting of parents, catechists, and families preparing for First Holy Communion will take place in the School Hall on Thursday at 6.30pm.

PENITENTIAL SERVICE: Please note the Services of Penance that have been arranged in our Deanery:

Tuesday March 23rd Sacred Heart, Droitwich

Thursday March 25th St Wulstan's, Stourport-on-Severn

Friday March 26th St Ambrose's

Monday March 29th St Peter's, Bromsgrove

Tuesday March 30th Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Redditch.

All services commence at 7.30pm.

CLASSICAL MUSIC SOCIETY: At Kidderminster Library on Friday 26th March, a Royal Academy trained and award-winning duo, Katherine Jenkinson (cello) and Alison Farr (piano) will give a programme featuring music by Vivaldi, Brahms, Beethoven and Martinu. The cost of tickets is £8 and these are available from CMS vice-chairman Von Steward on K. 755990 or from the library shop.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION 2010: A one day course has been arranged in the Parish on Saturday 27th March in the Borromeo Hall from 10.30am – 6.00pm approximately. Please contact Fr Lamb.

ADDITIONAL MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Our Additional Ministers are to be recommissioned for a further three years. This will take place during Mass at Our Lady's next Sunday at 5pm. There will be the usual light refreshments afterwards. Please pray for **Elsie Darbyshire**, **Elizabeth Fox**, **Christopher Harler**, **Tim Heywood** and **Patrick Hunt** who are to be commissioned for the first time. **PASSOVER COMMEMORATION:** Wednesday 31st March at 7.00pm. Lists are available at the back of all Churches for the names of parishioners who wish to attend the Passover Commemoration. Please indicate if you prefer a vegetarian option. Lists will remain open until Sunday, 21st March 2010.

HOLY WEEK: The main ceremonies during the **Triduum** are as follows:

Holy Thursday 7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper – Vigil at the Altar of Repose until midnight.

Good Friday 10.30am United Procession of Witness in Kidderminster.

12 noon Children's Stations of the Cross.3.00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion.7.30pm United Service at St John's Blakebrook.

Holy Saturday 8.30pm The Easter Vigil.

MUSIC FOR MIDDLEBROWS: A programme of Festive Music will be offered on Easter Sunday at 7.45pm in the Borromeo Hall. Full details to follow.

FINANCES:

Gift Aid: Would all parishioners who use the Gift Aid Envelopes please collect their new box of envelopes from the back of the church. Please start using these new envelopes from the 10/11th April. Thank you to the 83 parishioners across the three churches who gift aid their Offertory donation. It raised an extra £8,100 last year for the parish finances at no extra cost to themselves. We need more parishioners who would like to help the parish in this beneficial way. Remember it costs you nothing, the money is a rebate from the Government. Please phone Tim Yates on (01562) 66201 for details. Thank you for your support.

- ii Thank you for the offertory last week of £1022.58 (Loose £715.14, Envelope Scheme £307.44).
- iii Donations for CAFOD were £12.00.