

**ST AMBROSE'S PARISH KIDDERMINSTER**

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SACRED HEART & OUR LADY, Berrington Road, Tenbury Wells

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In retirement : Revd. Thomas Ashcroft, Revd. Dr Peter Mason In preparation : Charles Duncombe, Adam Nicholls

First Sunday in Lent Year A Psalter Week 1 Pope John Sunday Missal p.189 Wk.ending March 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> 2011

**FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK:** Th. St Patrick. F. St Cyril of Jerusalem S. St Joseph

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

**ST AMBROSE'S**

Monday	7.30 a.m.	John Kerrigan RIP
Tuesday	8.30 a.m.	Grace Shipton RIP
Wednesday	9.15 a.m.	Bernadette Redmond RIP
Thursday	11.30 a.m.	Patrick Heffernan (Anniversary)
	7.30 p.m.	Adoration until 10.00 p.m. (Compline 9.45 p.m.)
Friday	7.10 p.m.	Rosary
	7.30 p.m.	Holy Communion
Saturday	9.00 a.m.	(Old Rite) Private Intention (Nangle)
	5.45 p.m.	Vincenzo Finella RIP
Sunday	9.30 a.m.	Eric Baker RIP
	6.30 p.m.	The Stations of the Cross

**OUR LADY'S**

Monday	7.30 p.m.	Holy Communion
Friday	9.00 – 9.45 a.m.	Adoration
	10.00 a.m.	Frances Hopla RIP
Saturday	10.15 a.m.	Liz Ashcroft RIP
Sunday	5.00 p.m.	John Power (Anniversary)
	6.30 p.m.	The Stations of the Cross

**SACRED HEART**

Friday	4.00 p.m.	The Stations of the Cross
Sunday	11.30 a.m.	The People of the Parish

**CONFESSIONS:**

St. Ambrose's – Saturday 11.45 a.m. – 12.45 p.m. 6.30 p.m. – 7.00 p.m; 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, Arron Daniel

**Eucharistic Ministers**  
St Ambrose's: Saturday 5.45 p.m. R Quinn, M Weaver  
Sunday 9.30 a.m. D Duncombe, C Kneuss, C Geraghty, P Lay  
Our Lady's: Sunday 5.00 p.m. H Bearne, B Gavan, J Gavan, B Taylor  
Sacred Heart: Sunday 11.30 a.m. A Speers  
Church Cleaners (St Ambrose's) : Team E

**Readers**

Filipino Mass  
M Holmes  
A Wright, J Walker  
N Taylor

**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, Albert Barr, Peggy Baynton, Harry Berry, Christina Bickley, Frank Bourke, Peggy Burke, Linda Button, Stephen Coates, Nora Collins, David Connolly, Rob Conway, Kitty Cooper, Rob Cotgrave, Jane Cox, Mary Cull, Eamonn Dalton, Thomas Dalton, Joni Dunlea, Phil Eady, Vera Farley, Sr Maureen Fay, Celia Fernandez, John Freeman, Michelle Freeman, Sheila Freeman, Maura Furlong, Anthony Georgieff, Shirley Hale, May Hampsey, George Humble, Jane Jenner, Keeley John, Veronica Jones, Ben Kelly, Cathy Kneuss, Marie Lane, Felicity Librie, Eleanor Lloyd, Arwen Lockley, Peter McQuillan, Fernanda and Michael Maffei, Kathleen Mellisop, Sheila Mikulicz, Lee Mound, Jean Mulligan, Kitty Murray, John Nangle, Veronica Neal, Margaret Norris, Pat Norris, Fedele Perri, Eileen Postans, Chris Price, Pat Quinn, Pat Redmond, Janet Richards, Mary Roberts, Giaconda Salsano, Harold Salter, Cecil Smith, Keith Southall, Lawrence Speers, Marie Stokes, Wendy Tait, Carmen Thomas, Cliff Tolley, Frances Tovey, Assunta Vaccaro, Patricia Virr, George Watkins, Eric Whittaker, Gene Whitwam, Edith Wilkes and May Williams.

**Entrance Antiphon :** When he calls to me, I will answer; I will rescue him and give him honour. Long life and contentment will be his.

**Response to the Psalm :** Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we have sinned.

**Gospel Acclamation :** Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

**Preface :** First Lent Sunday p.193.

**Eucharistic Prayer :** I p.566.

**Memorial Acclamation :** III

**Communion Antiphon :** Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

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**LENT GROUPS :**

Church	Venue	Time	Start date	Leader
St Ambrose's	69 Baldwin Road	Wed 2 – 3.30 pm	16 <sup>th</sup> March	Tess & Peter Grantham
Foley Park Methodist	Foley Park Methodist Church	Tues. 7.30 pm	15 <sup>th</sup> March	Church members
Broadwaters LEP	Broadwaters Methodist Church	Tues. 7.30 pm	15 <sup>th</sup> March	Revd Rose Lawley
Kidderminster West Team	Vicarage, 9 Sutton Park Road	Wed. 7.30 pm	16 <sup>th</sup> March	Revd Dave George
Kidderminster West Team	Vicarage, 33 Lea Bank Ave.	Thurs. 1.30 pm	17 <sup>th</sup> March	Revd Derek Arnold
St Mary's	7 Kings Road, DY11 6YU	Wed. 2.30 - 4 pm	16 <sup>th</sup> March	Canon Owain Bell, Sue Bullock
St Barnabas, Franche	Vicarage, 50 Nursery Grove	Wed. 7.00 pm	16 <sup>th</sup> March	Church members

**RECENTLY DECEASED :** Please pray for **Brian Beresford**, who died in Bryden House Nursing Home last weekend. He was 72 years of age, and lived in the Parish all his life. **Gilda Mendonsa**, sister of Olaf DaCosta, died during the week in India. May they rest in peace.

**COFFEES/TEAS** will be provided in the Borromeo Hall after 9.30 a.m. Mass today by the Ambrosians and next Sunday by the CMS.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS :** This beautiful Lent Devotion is in both our Kidderminster Churches on the Sundays of Lent at 6.30 p.m.; and at the Sacred Heart, Tenbury on Fridays at 4.00 p.m.

**KIDDERMINSTER OPERATIC AND DRAMATIC :** **Crazy for You** is being performed at the Rose Theatre by Kidderminster Operatic and Dramatic Society – 10<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> March 7.30 p.m. with a matinee at 2.30 p.m. March 19<sup>th</sup>. Tickets £10.00 Mon-Fri; £8.00 Sat matinee; £12.00 Sat evening. Box Office: K 743745 or book online at [www.rosetheatre.co.uk](http://www.rosetheatre.co.uk).

**THE UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS** will meet on Monday at 7.30 p.m. in the Borromeo Hall, followed by a Recollection on Evening Prayer led by Adam Nicholls. New members will be most welcome.

**FAITH JOURNEY :** We continue in the Montini Room on Tuesday at 7.45 p.m., to consider the very difficult issues of Suffering and Sickness, which so often challenge our Faith. Everyone welcome.

**CRAFT CLUB :** The Craft Club meets every Tuesday in the Borromeo Hall from 7.30 p.m.

**WHIST DRIVE AND BINGO :** There is a Whist Drive on Wednesday in the Borromeo Hall at 2.00 p.m. and BINGO in the Adams Lounge on Tuesdays and Saturdays at 8.00 p.m.

**CATHOLIC MEN'S SOCIETY :** The next meeting will be in the Rectory on Wednesday March 16<sup>th</sup> when Br. Ray Barber will introduce the plan discussion topic **Forgiveness**. (In addition Brothers are asked to note that the AGM of the Archdiocesan District Council will be held next Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at 3.00 p.m. Details at the meeting on Wednesday).

**AMBROSIAN GROUP :** The Group meet for their monthly shared lunch from 11.45 a.m. on Thursday in St Ambrose's Parish Hall.

**TOWN FRATERNAL :** The Ministers of the town Churches will meet for the regular informal lunch next Thursday.

**PARISH WALK :** Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> March at 10.00 a.m. Meet at the Lock in Wolverley. This could be muddy. For more information ring Brian Lynch K.752982.

**CATHOLIC TRUTH SOCIETY :** CTS Books coming to the Sacred Heart Church, Tenbury Wells on Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> March. A good range of Lenten reading and a wide array of other subjects. All books are £1.95 each.

**MOSAIC IN SCHOOL :** A fine Mosaic, to which every child in the School has made a contribution, has now been installed in the entrance hall. It will be blessed on Tuesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 2.30 p.m. and parishioners, and others with an interest in the School, are warmly invited to attend.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION :** The next meeting of those families preparing for First Holy Communion will be in the School Hall on Wednesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6.30 p.m.

**AN EVENING OF RECOLLECTION :** As part of their preparation for Full Communion at the forthcoming Easter Vigil, those who are to be received into the Church will be taking part in our Evening of Recollection in St Ambrose's on Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, during our weekly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. There will be prayer, reading, music and silence, finishing with the Office of Compline (the Night Prayer of the Church) at 9.45 p.m. I hope many parishioners will take the opportunity to pray with our Catechumens and Candidates on that evening, to which everyone is invited.

**SUPER SOUP LUNCH** at the home of Jennifer and John Williams, 54 Nursery Grove, on Friday March 25<sup>th</sup> 12 noon – 2 p.m. All proceeds to Christian Aid. (Please confirm to K. 740913).

**QUIZ & CURRY NIGHT :** There is to be a Quiz and Curry Night in the Borromeo Hall and Adams Lounge on 25<sup>th</sup> March from 7.30 p.m. Tickets £4 for curry (please sign the lists in Church to help caterers) and £1 for Quiz registration.

**PACT :** The next meeting of the Greenhill PACT will be in St Ambrose's Adams Lounge on Monday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at which all parishioners resident in Greenhill are invited to take part in improving our local area.

**BIBLE STUDY :** We will not be meeting during Lent as there are the Ecumenical Study Groups. However, the Bible Study Group plan to meet at 2.00 p.m. at our Lady's on the first and third Wednesdays of the month starting on the 4<sup>th</sup> May.

**BIBLE READING :** We have agreed to join other Christian Churches in a Public Reading of the whole Bible during the period May 4<sup>th</sup> -13<sup>th</sup> this year, to Commemorate the anniversary of the publication of the King James Bible. The Reading will be in various Churches in the town, and our contribution will be in St Ambrose's for about 8 hours on Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> May, during the afternoon. Obviously we are going to need a team of volunteer readers. A list will be placed in our Churches in due course.

**FINANCES :**

- (i) **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 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> April. Thank you to the 83 parishioners across the three churches who gift aid their offertory donation, it is a very valuable additional contribution to the parish finances. If any other parishioners would like to help the parish in this beneficial way, at no extra cost to themselves, please phone Tim Yates on 01562 66201. Thank you for your support.
- (ii) Our Offertory last week was £989.22, for which many thanks. (Envelope Scheme £322.42. Loose £666.80).
- (iii) The Collection for the maintenance of St Chad's Cathedral was, unfortunately, overlooked last Sunday morning. An opportunity to contribute will be given this week.
- (iv) The Tenbury Collection for Barnenda last Sunday raised £76.12.
- (v) Thanks to our Whist Players for yet another donation of £100.
- (vi) Over recent months there has been an accumulation of Mass Intentions which I would not expect to be able to fulfil within the stipulated period. Accordingly I have sent 30 Mass Intentions to the MISSION DIRECTOR of the Society of St Peter the Apostle. These Masses will be offered by Missionary Priests within a very short time, and will contribute to their support.