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ASCENSION SUNDAY

YEAR A

WEEK COMMENCING MAY, 28th 2017

Psaltar Week 3

CTS Sunday Missal p.395

Response to the Psalm : God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.
Gospel Acclamation : Go, make disciples of all the nations; I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.
Preface II of the Ascension : p.565 **Eucharistic Prayer : I p.591** **Mystery of Faith : III**
FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK : **M. Solemnity of the Dedication of the Church. W. The Visitation. Th. St Justin. F. SS Marcellinus & Peter. S. St Charles Lwanga.**

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK :

ST AMBROSE'S

Monday	9.00 a.m.	Joan Battye RIP
NB Tuesday	3.00 p.m.	Joseph Donigan RIP (Concelebrated by a few priests from The Beda College, Rome).
Wednesday	9.00 a.m.	Neville Freemantle RIP
Thursday	9.00 a.m.	Margaret Smith (Anniversary)
	7.30 p.m.	Holy Hour (Compline 8.35 p.m.)
Friday	9.30 – 10.15 a.m.	Adoration
	10.30 a.m.	Mass Tess Grantham RIP
Saturday	9.00 a.m.	Rob Conway RIP followed by Rosary & Novena prayers for the sick
	2.30 p.m.	Marriage : Bernadette Baylie and Jordan Carter
Sunday	11.00 a.m.	Holy Souls (S Kura)
	3.00 p.m.	Old Rite The People of the Parish
	6.00 p.m.	Assunta Vaccaro (Anniversary)

SACRED HEART

Sunday 9.00 a.m. Intentions of Bridget Hazelmere

CONFESSIONS :

St Ambrose's – No Midday; by request
Sacred Heart - by request

MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK :

Altar Servers for morning Mass : Thomas Barnbrook, Matthew Conway

Eucharistic Ministers

St Ambrose's :
 Sunday 11.00 a.m. A Harris, T Hart, D Holdstock, P Hunt,
 A McDermott, M Martin
 Sunday 6.00 p.m. T Alexander, T Rock, J Stanley,
 M Stride, B Taylor

Readers

C Vass, M Darbyshire
 B Gavan, L Farmer

Sacred Heart

Sunday 9.00 a.m. S Coates, J Moore T Pellow

Church Cleaners : Team A (Wed. 3.30 p.m.) Offertory Counters : Group 4 Teas/Coffees : Linda Ingrassli, Elana Herrera

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially: Ann Aylott, Olena Barchuk, Albert and Elsie Barr, Keith and Marion Birch, Catherine Blount, Jennifer Bush, Linda Button, Martin Cahill, Rupert Caple, Fr Paul Chavasse, Nigel Collier, Helena Collins, Nora Collins, Maureen Connolly, Buntly Cook, Julie Cook, Derek Cooper, Elsie Corti, Rob Cotgrave, Eamonn Dalton, Sarah Dalziel, Angeline Doherty, Revd Patrick Duffy, Sr Maureen Fay, Lina Finella, Victoria Fleming, Catherine Freemantle, Martha Graham, Frances Graves, Fr Christopher Greaney, Diane Grovenor, Shirley Hale, Margaret Harley, Mary Harris, Canice Heavern, Cindy Jones, Georgina Jones-White, John Joyce, John Kean, Wendy Kowalewicz, Audrey Little, Arwen Lockley, Joe McLaughlin, Gaetana Maffei, Marjorie Male, Francesca Marciante, Anthea Matthew, Robert Matthews, Margaret Metcalf, Sheila Mikulicz, Jeannie Morrison, Pat Motteram, Teresa Moule, Sr Breda Murphy, Jacqui Murray, Kitty Murray, John Neale, Delia Nepi, Margaret Nichol, Kate Nicholls, Margaret Norris, Pat Norris, Fr Denis O'Connor, Billie O'Keeffe, Jean O'Shaughnessy, Katherine O'Sullivan, Ken Peers, Doreen Reynolds, Janet Richards, Harold Salter, Joseph Samways, Pauline Samways, Jackie Sands, Louise Sireschuk, Tracey Smale, Peter Strangward, Susan Stubbins, Edward Sutton, Nicky Suzman, Tony Taylor, Jim Thomas, Vera Toman, Frances Tovey, Charlie Villa, Ernest Vincent, George Watkins, Keith Weaver, Lyndon Whatley, Edith Wilkes, Deana Wright and Anne Youde.

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR : Joseph Moran will begin this new Parish appointment on Thursday, June 1st. He will have responsibility for most areas of Parish administration, and he will work closely with the various groups, with the School, and with all our extra-parochial matters (e.g. Diocese, Deanery, Ecumenical links, etc.) Initially he will be compiling and preparing the Newsletters, and will be responsible for the Prayers of the Faithful each week. He will have responsibility for registers, Certificates, notices and census returns, and he will be working with the Deacons and the Parish Priest to ensure the smooth running of our many pastoral commitments. The Finance Committee requests that he also looks at ways in which the Parish can run more economically. Obviously this position will expand as we become more used to working with each other, and we ask parishioners to be indulgent to any initial failings.

Please note : from now onwards the Newsletter will be completed in the Office on **Thursday** morning each week. Any inclusions, addressed to Joseph, should be available no later than 11.30 a.m. on Thursday mornings.

MARRIAGE : Next Saturday, Fr Lamb will be at St Mary's, Harvington for the marriage of **Joseph Harris** and **Kirsty Sanders**. Please pray for their future happiness.

REST IN PEACE : Please pray for the repose of the Soul of **Michael Follon**, who lived in Bewdley and whose Funeral and Burial will be at Wyre Forest Cemetery next Thursday at 11.00 a.m. May he rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARIES : Last Friday was the anniversary of the death in 1997 of **Fr Jack Kearns**, who worked in this Parish 1951 – 1955. He was Parish Priest of Alton, North Staffordshire at the time of his death and he is buried outside the Church there. Next Friday is the anniversary (2008) of **Sister Margaret Mary Wroe**, Head Mistress of the Infants School 1965 – 1971.

PARISH READERS : We are updating our readers list. Following the death of Gill Pardoe, the Rev. Adam Nicholls is assuming responsibility for the readers' rota. To assist him: Current readers; please send your **name, address and telephone number / email address** to the Rectory as soon as possible. We would also welcome new readers and would ask you to provide the same details so we can add you to the readers' rota.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS : Please collect your copy of the rota for May from the back of Church today.

CONGRATULATIONS : We send our prayers and congratulations to **Diane Grovenor** who celebrates her 90th birthday during the week, **AD MULTOS ANNOS**.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB : The Friendship club meets again in the Borromeo Hall on Wednesday, May 31st. We can only cater for a maximum of 30 people, but if you would like to be included on a cancellation, please let Joyce Gavan know your name and phone number.

CATHOLIC MEN'S SOCIETY : The next meeting of the St Ambrose's Branch will be held in the Wheatley Room on Wednesday, May 31st at 7.30 p.m. to discuss some of the implications of the recent Papal Encyclical *THE JOY OF LOVE*.

HOLY HOUR : The next Holy hour, on **Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus** will be given on Thursday, June 1st at 7.30 pm concluding with the Office of Compline and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

OLD RITE : There will be a Sung Mass in the Old Rite next Sunday at 3.00 p.m. The Mass fulfils the Sunday obligation, books are available, tea and cakes afterwards.

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT de PAUL : The next meeting of the SVP will be on Monday, 5th June at 7.15 p.m. in the Adams Lounge.

WYRE FOREST WOMEN'S ECUMENICAL FELOWSHIP : This group will meet on Wednesday, June 7th from 9.45 a.m. (Tea/coffee) meeting at 10.15 a.m. at Jubilee International Church, Hoo Road. Please see notice board for details

BIBLE STUDY : Next meeting on Wednesday, June 7th. You are most welcome 2.00 p.m. for 2.30 p.m. start at 34 Aggborough Crescent, Kidderminster, Tel.741794.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION : The next meeting of the Candidates, parents, Catechists, teachers and Clergy will be in the School Hall on Wednesday, June 7th at 6.30 p.m.

STONOR PARK : On Tuesday, 20th June 2017, a visit has been arranged to Stonor Park, Henley on Thames, Oxfordshire. The visit will include Mass in the Holy Trinity Chapel built in the 13th Century, and a guided tour around the house. Stonor Park also has a wonderful garden and sweeping grounds. Food can also be arranged in the Pantry Café. Costs: Coach £16.00. House, gardens and Chapel £15.00. Total £31.00 per person. Lists are available today at the back of the Church.

SACRAMENTS : The next celebration will be **The Sacrament of Penance**, to take place in our Church in Tenbury on **Friday, June 23rd**, the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart. The Chief Celebrant and preacher will be the Rt. Revd. Dom. Paul Stonham OSB, the Abbot of Belmont. The usual gastronomic delight will take place in a marquee afterwards. To help with catering, please indicate intended participation on the lists provided. Please let this be a celebration of the whole Parish.

ST AMBROSE PRE-SCHOOL OPEN DAY for prospective parents on Tuesday, 27th June 2017 3.45 p.m. to 5.45 p.m. Come along and meet our friendly staff team and enjoy a vast range of activities with your child. You can book in advance by emailing the Manager : sharonkennedy30@hotmail.com or ring 07980182741.

WANTED : A gardener is required by a parishioner. Please contact 07831421889.

FINANCES :

- i. St Ambrose's Red Boxes. Please leave these in Church to be emptied. Thank you.
- ii. 200 Club – Apologies for the late announcement of winners for Christmas 2016 draw. They were :
1st – No. 156 – N Plant £400. 2nd – No. 187 – B Hopkins £200. 3rd – No.115 – C Nicholls £100.
May's draw will take place this Sunday, 28th May at Tenbury. Everybody welcome to join us for teas and coffees after Mass when the draw will take place.
For this year only, new members, can join the 200 Club at a reduced annual rate of £16. Application forms are available at the back of the Church.
- iii. Thank you for the Offertory last week of £877.13. Loose plate £480.91. Envelope Scheme £396.22.
- iv. £20 was contributed to the Clergy Training Fund.
- vi. We acknowledge with gratitude a donation of £100 in memory of Denzil Kelly RIP.
- vii. £50 was donated by a Local Councillor towards the repair of the candle stand. Thank you.
- viii. The Whist Club has donated a further £100. Thank you for the continued support.

Borromeo Hall/Adams Lounge: Available for functions of all kinds; parties, receptions etc. Please contact Joel Douglas 07513295817 or bookings.stambrose@gmail.com.

Bingo: Every Tuesday 8.00 pm. **Whist:** Every Wednesday, 2.00 pm. Please come along and support the Parish Centre.

Folk Music: In the Adams Lounge with visiting musicians/singers and instrumentalists on the second and fourth Fridays of every month. Admission free. 8.00 p.m. – late.

AS GOOD AS NEW : Thanks to the wonderful Patrick Madujuraski, our candle stand has been restored and replaced.