ST. AMBROSE'S PARISH KIDDERMINSTER

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SACRED HEART & OUR LADY, Berrington Road, Tenbury Wells

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This Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No. 234216

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year: C Week Commencing: January 27th 2019

Psalter Week: 3 CTS Sunday Missal: p.975

Preface I of Sundays p.567 Eucharistic Prayer: II p.605. Mystery of Faith

Response to the Psalm: Your words are Spirit, Lord, and they are life.

Gospel Acclamation: The Lord has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to

captives.

Feast Days this Week: M. St. Thomas Aquinas Th. St. John Bosco Fr. St. Brigid S. Presentation of the Lord.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

St Ambrose's

Mon: 12 noon Funeral: REVD PETER MASON, RIP

Tues: 11.30 a.m. Tony O'Dowd RIP

Wed: 9.15 a.m. Intentions of Paul, Jacqueline and Thomas Weaver

Thurs: 11.30 a.m. Jim Lay RIP

Fri: 9.30 a.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.30am Funeral: CATHERINE NICHOLLS RIP

Sat: 9.00 a.m. Blessing and Procession of Candles followed by Mass, Novena Devotions and

Blessing of Throats (Gordon Navin RIP)

Sun: 11.00 a.m. Giorgio Scrocca RIP 3pm OLD RITE Rita Mackay RIP

6pm Intentions of John and Mary Nangle

Sacred Heart

Sun: 9.00 a.m. The People of the Parish.

CONFESSIONS: St Ambrose's: Sat 11.45 a.m. – 12.45 p.m. and by request. Sacred Heart: by request.

MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK:

Altar Servers for morning Mass: J. Kurvilla, E. Martin

St Ambrose's: Sun 11.00 a.m.:

Eucharistic Ministers: A Harris T. Hart, D. Holdstock, M. Holmes, A. Hunt

Readers: A. Martin, M. Holmes

Sun 6.00 p.m.:

Eucharistic Ministers: D. Duncombe, L. Farmer Readers: F. Robinson, L. Farmer

Sacred Heart: Sun 9.00 a.m.:

Eucharistic Ministers: E O'Neill, M. Peyton

Readers: P Storey

Church Cleaners: Team: B Offertory Counters: Group: 6 Tea/Coffees: G & M Cunliffe, J. & S. Hancox

Please pray for our parishioners, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially: Janet Richards, Arwen Lockley, Maureen Connolly, Harold Salter, Jackie Sands, Jim Thomas, Olena Barchuk, Derek Cooper, Nora Collins and Matteo Butera.

LATELY DEAD: Parishioners will remember ANNA GUALANO, for many years Secretary of St Ambrose's School (from the time of Sister Breda until her retirement a few years ago. She died earlier this week after a brief illness May she rest in peace.

MAUREEN WILKINS RIP. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Maureen Wilkins, a member of our Tenbury Community. She died on Tuesday morning at Haresbrook Nursing Home, where she had been a resident for 14 years. She was 96 years of age. Her Funeral Mass will be in our Church in Tenbury at 12 noon on Thursday February 7th prior to cremation at Wyre Forest at 1.30p m

CAR PARKING Please note that the parking area in front of the Rectory will be reserved from 11.15am on Monday – to allow for the parking of Bishop Byrne, and of Peter Mason's family and the undertakers Thank you for your cooperation.

FUNERALS; Peter Mason's body will be received into Church this evening at 5.30pm. Bishop Robert Byrne will be the Principal Celebrant at the Funeral Mass tomorrow at 12 noon, prior to the burial in Kidderminster Cemetery. **CATHERINE NICHOLLS** will be received into the Church by her son, Adam, on Thursday at 4.30pm. H will preside at her burial at St. Mary's Church, Alveley, after Mass on Friday at 10.30am.

The Funeral of **CHRISTOPHER FERRIS** of Merton Close, who died shortly after Christmas, is at the Crematorium on Thursday at 2.30pm.

THE UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS meets on Monday at 7.30pm in the Borromeo Hall. A presentation on Slovenia will be given by Madeleine Roy, in preparation for the World Day of Prayer. All are welcome.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER, a global, ecumenical prayer Service, written by the women of Slovenia, will take place at Holy Innocents Church, Stourport Road, on Friday 1st March 2019, at 10.30 - 11.30am. All welcome.

MONTINI GROUP At our meeting on Tuesday at 7.45pm in the Montini Room, we shall be referring to the MEMENTO OF THE DEAD in the Roman Canon, to prompt our consideration of the Last Things of Death, Purgatory, and intercession for the Holy Souls.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB meets again on Wednesday January 30th. Contact Joyce Gavan.

MOTHER AND TODDLERS There will be no toddlers on Wed. 30th Jan. We will be back on Wed. 6th Feb.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION I am very grateful to ANNA CZAPLA, STUART HARRIS AND PAULA MOLE who have agreed to help in preparing our children for First Holy Communion. They will be meeting with the Parish Priest on Monday evening. There will be a PARENTS MEETING for those who wish to present their children for First Holy Communion in the School Hall on Wednesday February 13th at 6.30pm. Parents of candidates who do not attend St Ambrose's School are warmly invited to attend this meeting.

CANDLEMAS There is the blessing of candles and Procession before Mass next Saturday at 9am after the Novena Devotions which follow the Mass, the traditional blessing of throats in honour of St Blaise will be given.

NEW LIFE TOGETHER are presenting "Singing the Psalms" at 4pm n St. Ambrose's Church **TODAY.** We would very much appreciate a good number of parishioners to come to this ecumenical presentation.

S.V.P. The next meeting will be on Monday 4th February at 7.15pm in the Wheatley Room.

MASS FOR THE SICK There will be a Mass, during which the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be given, on Saturday February 9th at 12 noon The Principal Celebrant and Preacher will be Fr George Grynowski, a retired priest of the Diocese whose personal experience of serious sickness has given him very valuable insights into this aspect of the Church's Ministry. There will be a buffet lunch afterwards in the Borromeo Hall. We ask family members, neighbours, SVP members and Eucharistic Ministers to ensure that as many as possible of our sick and elderly parishioners are invited, and that we all do what we can to make their attendance possible Several priests will be available to help with anointing.

200 CLUB 27^{TH} Jan & 3^{rd} Feb. We would like to thank everyone who has either renewed their membership or joined for the first time. The January draw will take place after 11am Mass during teas and coffees on Sunday Feb. 3^{rd} All parishioners are welcome to attend this draw. It is not too late to renew memberships or to join the 200 Club - don't forget the increase in the monthly prize fund, the 3 prizes will now be £75, £50 and £25 along with the Big Christmas Draw with prizes f £400, £200 and £100. Please fill in the form at the back of church and put on the collection plate or hand in to the Rectory. Any queries please contact Janine Nicolls or Martin Grovenor using the details on the application forms.

LIVING EMBERS meets on Wed Feb. 6th at Jubilee International Church, Kidderminster at 9.45 for 10.15. All women welcome Contact Madeleine Roy 01562 822189.

FOOD BANK. Thank you very much for your very generous contributions over the past month. A total of 182 Kgs was collected. Special thank you to the School for their bumper Christmas contribution.

FINANCES i. Thank you for last week's Offertory of £642.38 (Plat £397.18 Envelope £243.20) ii £142.3 was raised for the White Flower Appeal.

Borromeo Hall/Adams Lounge: Available for functions of all kinds; parties, receptions, etc. Please contact Joel Douglas on 07513 295817 or bookings.stambrose@gmail.com **BINGO**: Tuesday 8.00 p.m. **WHIST**: Every Wednesday 2.00 p.m. Please come along and support the Parish Centre. Learners most welcome.

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