ST. AMBROSE'S PARISH **KIDDERMINSTER** The Rectory, Birmingham Road, Kidderminster, DY10 2BY. (01562 822839) SACRED HEART & OUR LADY, Berrington Road, Tenbury Wells Parish Clergy: Revd. Fr. Douglas Lamb, Revd. Adam Nicholls, Revd. Charles Duncombe.

Pastoral & Secretarial Assistant: Joseph Moran. Office Hours: Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays: 9 am. - 2 pm. Thursdays 1:30 pm. - 6:30 pm. Parish E-mail: stambrosekidderminster@btinternet.com Parish Website: www.stambrosekidderminster.org.uk Safeguarding Representatives: Jo Walker 01562 910446 Peter Harler 01562 746563 This Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: registered Charity no. 234216.

| Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Year: C | Week Commencing: February | 10 th 2019. | | |
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| Psalter Week: 1 CTS Sunday Missal: p. 983 | Preface of Sunday III: p. 569 | Eucharistic Prayer III: p. 611 | Mystery of Faith: I | | |
| Response to the Psalm: Before the angels I will bless you, O Lord. | | | | | |
| Gospel Acclamation: Follow me, says the Lord, and I will make you fishers of men. | | | | | |
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Feast Days this Week: M. Our Lady of Lourdes, Th. Ss. Cyril & Methodius.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

| St Ambrose's | | |
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| Mon: 8.30 am | Jim Lay RIP | |
| Tues: 8.30 am | Rita Mackay RIP | |
| Wed: 9.15 am | Margaret Galle RIP | |
| Thurs: 7.30 am | Alan Bullock RIP | 7.30 pm Adoration until Compline 8.35 pm |
| Fri: 9.30 am | Adoration | 10.30 am Mass: Intentions of Sister Maureen Fay |
| Sat: 9.00 am | Joe Jennings RIP | followed by Rosary & Novena Devotions. |
| Sun: 11.00 am | Ray Salter RIP | |
| Sun: 6.00 pm | The People of the Parish | |
| Sacred Heart | | |
| Sun: 9.00 am | Leslie Wasdell RIP | |

CONFESSIONS: St Ambrose's: Saturday 11.45 am-12.45 pm and by request. Sacred Heart: by request.

MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK:

| Altar Servers for morning Mass: F. Robinson, T. Wright. | | | | |
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| St Ambrose's: | Sun 11.00 am: Eucharistic Ministers: | R. Barber, M. Bradley, E. Buncle, A. Colclough, S. Colclough. | | |
| | Readers: | M. Darbyshire, A. Martin | | |
| | Sun 6.00 pm: Eucharistic Ministers: | B. Gavan, M. Harper. | | |
| | Readers: | T. Collins, M. Bowdler. | | |
| Sacred Heart: | Sun 9.00 am: Eucharistic Ministers: Readers: | S. Coates, J. Moore. B. Mountain. | | |
| Church Cleaners Team: D Offertory Counters Group: 2 Tea/Coffee: J. Goodman, N. Wright, N. Piorunska, D. McCormack | | | | |

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, 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. Rosemarie Smith, Emilia Gissyng and Fr Edward Sopala.

Anniversaries: Thursday 7th marked the anniversary of the death in 1940 of Rev. Fr. Charles Ambrose Wheatley, a priest-Founder of this Parish between 1895-1908.

Rev. Dr. Peter Mason: Peter's family extend their sincere thanks to everyone who played a part in organising and taking part in the Funeral Mass on January 28th. The family would like to express particular thanks to Bishop Byrne, attending Deacons and everyone who contributed to the service.

Richard Tovey: I would like to thank everybody for their overwhelming support shown to me and my family following the death of Richard, for the many cards, Masses, and donations to his charity. Special thanks to Father Lamb, the CMS, UCM and the choir for their help on the day of his funeral. Richard would have been very humbled by the attendance on the day. God bless you all. Lynn Tovey.

Bishop Robert Byrne: Many parishioners will know already that Bishop Byrne, our area Bishop for the last four years, has been appointed Bishop of Hexham & Newcastle. He will be installed on March 25th.

Rest in Peace: We pray for Patricia Peakman of Birchen Coppice who died in hospital at the end of January. Her funeral has been arranged at Worcester Crematorium on March 1st. Joseph McLaughlin, of The Patios, died suddenly last Saturday evening. He had been very ill for many years but parishioners will remember his dogged fidelity to evening Mass each Sunday until just two weeks ago. His funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

The Union of Catholic Mothers: The Annual General Meeting takes place on Monday at 7.30 pm in the Borromeo Hall. It is hoped that all members will endeavour to attend. The meeting will be followed by a shared supper.

Kidderminster Deanery: The clergy of the Deanery will meet on Tuesday at the Sacred Heart Parish in Droitwich to consider responses to the proposed Diocesan vision introduced before Christmas by the Archbishop. Fr. Lamb will be attending a meeting of Deans at Maryvale on Thursday.

First Holy Communion: Parents who wish to offer their children for First Holy Communion in June this year are invited to meet in the School Hall on Wednesday at 6 pm. This includes parents of children who do not attend our School. It is important that parents register their children on Wednesday so that details of the programme of preparation can be given. Please note that this is a meeting for parents, not for candidates.

CMS: The first meeting, a general discussion on Pastoral Ministry with youth, takes place on Wednesday evening at 7.30 pm in the Wheatley Room. This meeting is open to all men of the Parish, and we are hoping to recruit several new members during the course of the year.

Prayer Group: Bernard Gavan will speak briefly at Masses this weekend about the importance of the Prayer Group at the heart of the life of the Parish.

Holy Hour: There will be a Holy Hour on Thursday, February 21st at 7.30 pm to which Additional Ministers of Holy Communion are invited. After this, there will be a short meeting (in church) of all Ministers, including Patricia Robinson and Miki Day, who have agreed to join our list of Additional Ministers. This is an important meeting because we are anxious to ensure that those who are not able to attend Mass are enabled to receive Holy Communion regularly. It is an opportunity, also, to remind ourselves of important spiritual and practical matters that can often be overlooked.

200 Club: Following the draw last Sunday, the lucky winners are:

- 1st £75 No. 56 Mr Ken Dalby;
- 2nd No. 58 Mrs Sandra Dovey; £50

3rd £25 No. 153 Mr Daniel Kealey.

We would like to thank everyone who has either renewed their membership or has joined for the first time. Just to remind everyone, the Parish gets the full benefit of all money raised, it is not subject to Diocesan levy. 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 three prizes will now be £75, £50 and £25 along with the Big Christmas Draw with prizes of £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 Nicholls or Martin Grovenor using the details on the application forms.

SVP: Next meet on Monday, February 25th at 7.15 pm in the Adams Lounge.

Charity Concert: will be held in Chaddesley Village Hall on Saturday 23rd February commencing at 8 pm. Proceeds will be divided between Prostate Cancer UK and the Meadow and Summer Charity (the Maffei twins). The concert will feature a host of local artists (as seen in the September concert in the Parish Hall). Entrance by ticket £10 per person and a buffet is included in the price, and a bar will be available. Tickets from Charlie Villa (07759629938) and Sinead Maffei (07980846301).

Swing into Summer: with the Wyre Forest Big Band in the St Ambrose Parish Centre on Saturday 9th March commencing at 7.30 pm. All proceeds are for the Meadow and Summer charity (the Maffei twins). Entrance by ticket £6 per person and are available from Charlie Villa (07759629938) and Sinead Maffei (07980846301). A selection of rolls will be available for purchase and the usual bar facilities will be available.

Red Mission Boxes: Could box holders from Our Lady & St. Pius please hand them in to be emptied.

FINANCES:

- Thank you for last week's Offertory of £791.53 (Plate: £484.38. Envelope: £307.15). i.
- ii. £100.65 was raised for the Life charity.

Borromeo Hall/Adams Lounge: Available for functions of all kinds; parties, receptions, etc. Please contact: Joel Douglas on 07513 295817 (bookings.stambrose@gmail.com.) Bingo: Every Tuesday 8.00 pm.

Whist: Every Wednesday 2.00 pm. Please come along and support the Parish Centre.