

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.

Second Sunday in Lent

Year: C

Week Commencing: March 17th 2019

Psalter Week: II. CTS Sunday Missal p.211. Preface p.160. Eucharistic Prayer: III p. 611. Mystery of Faith: I

Response to the Psalm:

The Lord is my light & my help

Gospel Acclamation:

From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard. This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to Him.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

St Ambrose's

Mon: 7.30 am .Brian & Joshua Martin RIP & Brigida Saporito (RIP)

Tues: 8.30 am. Tom Ashcroft (Anniv.)

Wed 9.15 am .Intentions of John & Mary Nangle

Thurs 7.30 am .John Kerrigan (RIP) 11 am. FUNERAL: John Stubbins (RIP) 7:30 pm. Adoration & Compline

Fri: 9.30 am. Adoration till Mass at 10:30 am. Jack Connolly (Anniv.) 7:30 pm. Stations of the Cross

Sat: 9.00 am. Glenis Evans (RIP) followed by Rosary & Novena devotions

Sun: 11 am. The People of the Parish 6 pm. Anthony Taylor (RIP)

Sacred Heart

Fri: 10.30 am. Stations of the Cross

Sun: 9.00 am. In reparation

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: M. Conway & A. O'Reilly

St Ambrose's: Sun 11 am:

Eucharistic Ministers:

E. Darbyshire, S. Elcock, A. Harris, E. Fox, B. Galvin

Readers:

A. Flavin & M. Darbyshire

Sun 6 pm:

Eucharistic Ministers:

L. Whatley & T. Alexander

Readers:

P & T. Collins

Sacred Heart: Sun 9 am:

Eucharistic Ministers:

E. O' Neill & M. Peyton

Readers:

S. Coates

Church Cleaners Team: A Offertory Counters Group: 1 Tea/Coffee: The Craft Club

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, Matteo Butera, Rosemarie Smith, Emilia Gissyng, Joseph Kantorek, Rev. Fr. Edward Sopala, Richard Bolton, Julie White.

Requiescant: JOHN STUBBINS, a well remembered parishioner, died last Saturday afternoon at Westley Court, just as the final commendation was being said. His family were with him. The Funeral Mass is on Thursday at 11 am. The burial will be in Ireland.

HENRY BOGALECKI, also of Westley Court, died on Tuesday morning. He was 92 years of age, but came to Mass here until fairly recently. GEOFF WILSON, son of a former much loved parishioner, Lily Wilson, died on March 1st. His funeral will be at Stourbridge crematorium on March 26th.

Penitential Service for Lent: There will be a Service of Penance with the opportunity for individual confession in St. Ambrose's on Thursday, April 4th at 7:30 pm. Three visiting priests will be attending.

Passover Commemoration: Wednesday, April 17th 2019 at 7 pm. Lists are available at the back of both churches for those parishioners who wish to indicate their intention to attend. Please indicate if you'd prefer a vegetarian alternative. Lists remain open till Sunday, April 7th

Thanks: Parishioners will have noticed that the jungle in front of the Rectory has been cleared, single handedly, by our good neighbour BARRY COOKE. This has improved our appearance and security, and make parking a lot easier and safer.

CMS: at the AGM held Saturday last Br. Ray Barber was re-elected President of the Archdiocesan Council, Br. Martin Grovenor was re-elected Vice-President & Br. Trevor Webb was re-elected Treasurer. After 20 years, Archdiocesan Secretary Br. Peter Young retired from office, to be replaced by Br. Joel Douglas.

SVP - the next meeting will be on Monday 18th March at 7:15pm in the Adam's Lounge.

Craft Club: Meets on Tuesday in the Borromeo Hall, 7:30 pm – 9: 30 pm.. New members most welcome.

Music and Trivia Quiz: Thursday, 28 March 8.30 pm for 9.00pm in the Borromeo Hall of the Parish Centre. £1.50 per person entry, payable on the night. Play individually or as a team. Bar open. Proceeds to the Air Ambulance charity, prizes to the winning teams. Queries to Joel Douglas on 07513 295817 or through bookings.stambrose@gmail.com. Looking forward to seeing you for what should be a fun night!

Be a Disciple for a Day: This is an invitation to celebrate Easter and the Lord's Resurrection by sharing an Emmaus walk whilst giving real and practical support to Christians who live where that event first took place. Our suggestion is that, to raise funds for the Friends of the Holy Land, you sponsor yourself (or seek to be sponsored by others) to walk an Emmaus distance (we estimate between 6 and 9 miles) on the Saturday of the Easter Octave, April 27th 2019. Please contact Deacon John O'Brien for more information: jmcobrien@btinternet.com.

Deanery Visitation: The Visitation to our Deanery will conclude with Mass on Wednesday, March 20th at 7.00 pm in Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Redditch. The Archbishop will address a brief meeting afterwards. It is important that all our parishes are well represented by Clergy and parishioners. Please try to make time to attend, and offer lifts if possible. In recent years the Church in Redditch has been restored most beautifully, and it is worth a visit to see that if nothing else. The Church is in Beoley Road West (postcode for 'Sat Nav' purposes is B98 8LT).

Gift Aid Would all parishioners who put their Offertory collection into Gift Aid Envelopes please collect their new box of envelopes from the back of the Church. Please start using these new envelopes from the weekend of 7th April. Thank you to the 72 parishioners across the two churches who gift aid their Offertory donation. By using this scheme, we received from the government an extra £5,170 last year for the parish. We need more parishioners who would like to help the parish in this beneficial way to join the Gift Aid Scheme. The only requirement is that you are a taxpayer. Please phone Tim Yates on 01562 66201 or email tim.yates@blueyonder.co.uk for details. Thank you for your continued support.

The Union of Catholic Mothers Lenten project: This year the UCM is collecting items for the Kidderminster Foodbank. A box will be available at the back of church in addition to the normal foodbank collection box. Among the items needed are toiletries, long life milk, fruit juice, small jars of coffee and tinned food, especially meat, fruit, custard. Many thanks for your generosity.

50's and 60's Night in aid of Light of Maasai, with live music generously supplied by JDR. To fund the education of Ciara, sponsored by St Ambrose' Parish. Saturday 4th May from 7.30pm in the Borromeo Hall, with bar and raffle. £5 on the door. See the poster for information.

Finances:

- i. Thank you for last week's Offertory of £ 813.23 (Plate £523.18, Envelope: £209.05)
- ii. Tuesday Bingo donated £100 to Kemp Hospice.

St Ambrose's Parish Facilities

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: Every Tuesday 8.00 pm.

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