

ST AMBROSE'S PARISH KIDDERMINSTER

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SACRED HEART & OUR LADY, Berrington Road, Tenbury Wells

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Fourth Sunday Year C

Psalter Week 4

CTS Sunday Missal p.979

Week Commencing January 31st 2016

Response to the Psalm :

My lips will tell of your help.

Gospel Acclamation :

The Lord sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives.

Preface : and

Eucharistic Prayer : IV p.621.

Mystery of Faith : II

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK :

**T. The Presentation of the Lord. W. St Blaise. F. St Agatha.
S. St Paul Miki, and the martyrs of Japan.**

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK ;

ST AMBROSE'S

Monday 7.30 a.m.

Matthew Fleming RIP

Tuesday **NB** 7.45 p.m.

(Procession and Blessing of Candles) Mick Galvin RIP

Wednesday 9.15 a.m.

Peter Towers RIP

Thursday 7.30 a.m.

Tony O'Dowd (Anniversary)

11.30 a.m.

Funeral : Jennifer Laabidi RIP

7.30 p.m.

Adoration until 9.00 p.m. (Compline 8.45 p.m.)

Friday 9.30 a.m. – 10.15 a.m.

Adoration

10.30 a.m.

Intentions of Jim Thomas

Saturday 9.00 a.m.

Giorgio Scrocca (Anniversary) followed by Rosary and Novena prayers for the sick

Sunday 11.00 a.m.

Deceased of the Nangle family

6.00 p.m.

Martin Joseph Downs RIP

SACRED HEART

Sunday 9.00 a.m.

The People of the Parish

CONFESSIONS :

St Ambrose's – Saturday 11.45 a.m. – 12.45 p.m.

Sacred Heart – By request.

MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK :

Altar Servers for morning Mass : Valentino Lucarelli, Joseph McCormack

Eucharistic Ministers

Readers

St Ambrose's :

Sunday 11.00 a.m.

A Harris, T Hart, D Holdstock, M Holmes,
P Hunt, A McDermott, E Buncle

M Parker, C Palmer

Next Sunday 6.00 p.m.

B Taylor, M Weaver, T Webb, T Alexander,
M Bowdler

D Hughes, H Hughes

Sacred Heart :

Sunday 9.00 a.m.

M Peyton, A Speers

P Storey

Church Cleaners : Team C

Offertory Counters : Group 4

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially: Bishop Christopher Jones, Fr Peter Jones, Ann Aylott, Joan Aylott, Albert and Elsie Barr, Joan Battye, Peggy Baynton, Lilia Beecroft, Christina Bickley, Catherine Blount, Frank Bourke, Jennifer Bush, Linda Button, Martin Cahill, Rupert Caple, Nigel Collier, Helena Collins, Nora Collins, Rob Conway, Buntly Cook, Julie Cook, Elsie Corti, Rob Cotgrave, Jane Cox, Eamonn Dalton, Sarah Dalziel, Joni Dunlea, Sr Maureen Fay, Catherine Freemantle, Martha Graham, Frances Graves, Diane Grovenor, Robert Hale, Shirley Hale, May Hampsey, Margaret Harley, Maria Harris, Mary Harris, Canice Heavern, Vicki Houghton, Cindy Jones, Tom Jones, Jan Joyce, John Joyce, Maire Kelly, Audrey Little, Francesca Lloyd, Bridget Locke, Arwen Lockley, Margaret McKeever, Joe McLaughlin, Peter McQuillan, Gaetana Maffei, Michael Maffei, Marjorie Male, Petronilla Marcianti, Robert Matthews, Lee Maund, Margaret Metcalf, Sheila Mikulicz, Jeannie Morrison, Kitty Murray, John Neale, Delia Nepi, Kate Nicholls, Margaret Norris, Pat Norris, Billie O'Keeffe, Jean O'Shaughnessy, Katherine O'Sullivan, Daniel Oxenham, Jo Peters, Chris Price, Revd Philip Prince, Janet Richards, Harold Salter, Pauline Samways, Jackie Sands, Mary Seccombe, Jonathan Slater, Cecil Smith, Marie Stokes, Colette Stride, Edward Sutton, Tony Taylor, Jim Thomas, Vera Toman, Frances Tovey, Jean Villa, Patricia Virr, Mary Wallace, George Watkins, Keith Weaver, Ann Webb, Edith Wilkes, Jake Wolfenden and Anne Youde.

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

RECTORIAL SERVICE: Summer Eucharist, of Habberley, died recently. She was a contemporary at Hagley School of many of our parishioners. Her Funeral Service (not Mass) is on Thursday at 11.30 a.m. followed by burial in Kidderminster Cemetery. **Mary Seccombe**, a much loved member of our Tenbury congregation, died at home last Sunday evening. She celebrated her 90th birthday with us last year. Her Funeral Mass will be in Sacred Heart Church, Tenbury on February 11th.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: The First Holy Communion Day in this Parish will be Saturday June 11th during Mass at 12 noon. Parents of Children who do not attend St Ambrose's School are asked to collect a letter from the Sacristy/Rectory after Mass today, together with a form of application. They should be returned to the Rectory by February 3rd.

ADDITIONAL MINISTER of HOLY COMMUNION: Please pray for **Elizabeth Buncl**, who will be commissioned as an additional Minister of Holy Communion next Sunday during Mass at 11.00 a.m.

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

PALMS and ASHES: Ash Wednesday will be on February 10th and traditionally the palms of the previous year are burned, and thus provide for the imposition of ashes at the beginning of Lent. Palms may be brought at any time between now and February 9th, when the burning will take place to prepare for the following day.

UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS: At the Annual General Meeting last Monday evening, Betty Martin was elected as President of the St Ambrose's Foundation, Chris Vass was elected as Secretary, and Ann Harris re-elected as Treasurer. After her very distinguished service as President, Jan Purvey is now Vice-President.

PRAYER and PRAISE at HABBERLEY: The group still meets in the hall at the back of the church at Habberley for prayer and praise on Monday mornings at 10:00 am. Everyone is welcome.

CRAFT CLUB: Tuesday at 7.30 p.m. in the Hall. Everyone welcome.

CANDLEMAS: There will not be a morning Mass on Tuesday, The Mass will begin in the Montini Room on Tuesday at 7.45 p.m. with the blessing and procession of Candles into Church for Mass. This is one of the most important feast days of the year (concluding the Christmas cycle, and preparing for Lent) and I hope many will take part by walking in the Procession, and offering Mass together.

BLESSING OF THROATS: The traditional blessing of throats in honour of St Blaise will be given after Mass on Wednesday morning.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY of PRAYER BIBLE STUDY will be led by Teresa Alexander at the Living Embers Ecumenical Fellowship Meeting. It will be held at Trinity Methodist Church on Wednesday, 3rd February 2016 at 10 for 10.30 a.m. It would be good if we at St Ambrose's made a special effort to demonstrate our support and concern in this town for a prayerful and practical response to the theme "Receive children, receive Me". (Matthew 10 13-15).

BIBLE STUDY: New members are most welcome to join us on Wednesday, 3rd February at 2.00 p.m. at 34 Aggborough Crescent, Kidderminster. We will be discussing the readings for next Sunday's Mass. Contact number T Alexander K.741794.

A SPRING CONCERT: Holy Trinity School will present a Spring Concert with items from Les Miserables and other favourites in our Church on Wednesday at 7.00 p.m. Tickets available from the Rectory at £4.50.

ASH WEDNESDAY: The Masses on Ash Wednesday, during which ashes will be blessed and imposed will be as follows: 9.30 a.m. (St Ambrose's), 11.30 a.m. (Winterfold School), 3.00 p.m. (Sacred Heart, Tenbury), 7.30 p.m. (St Ambrose's).

STATIONS OF THE CROSS in Tenbury every Friday in Lent at 11.00 a.m., and at 7.30 p.m. in St Ambrose's, also on Fridays.

LENT RESOLUTION for YEAR of MERCY: Earlier in the year I suggested we may all adopt a resolution for the Year of Mercy, and Lent seems an appropriate season in which to begin in earnest. EITHER to identify, pray for and gently encourage one person (family member, friend, fellow parishioner) to return to the practice of the Faith in our Parish OR identify, pray for and gently invite one person to consider learning more about our Faith, our practice and our Parish, with a view, perhaps, to joining us in Full Communion.

SOCIETY of ST VINCENT de PAUL: The SVP will be holding a **Coffee Morning** on Tuesday 16th February from 10.30 a.m. in the Parish Hall. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be served and members of the SVP will be around for a chat. Please see the notice board at the back of Church for the latest news from the SVP.

CTK LENT TALKS: Again this year, Churches Together in Kidderminster present a series of Lent Talks 'What Easter Means to Me'. These will be on the Wednesdays in Lent, beginning on February 17th at 7:30 p.m.. The talks will be given in Churches around the town, and five key speakers have been invited. Full details are on the noticeboard.

QUIZ NIGHT: The Kidderminster Branch of the Catholic Men's Society will be holding a Quiz Night in the Adams Lounge on March 9th at 8.00 p.m. Please see the noticeboard for details.

FINANCES:

- i. Next Sunday is the annual Collection for LIFE. Please be prepared to be generous.
- ii. Thank you for the Offertory last week of £704.07. Loose plate £423.57. Envelope Scheme £280.50.

Borromeo Hall/Adams Lounge: Available for functions of all kinds; parties, receptions etc. Please contact Mary Preston (07513 295817) or 07742 730680.

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

Every Friday: Folk music in the Adams Lounge with visiting musicians/singers and instrumentalists. Free admission 8.00 p.m. – late