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# SACRED HEART & OUR LADY, Berrington Road, Tenbury Wells

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**Fifth Sunday Year A Psalter Week 1 CTS Sunday Missal p. 704 Week ending February 8th/9th, 2014**

###### FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK: M. St Scholastica, T. Our Lady of Lourdes, F. St Cyril and St Methodius, Patrons of Europe.

###### MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

**ST. AMBROSE’S**

**Monday 7.30 am** Intentions of Noel Healy

**Tuesday 8.30 am** May Williams RIP

**Wednesday 9.15 am** Intentions of Patrick Galvin

**Thursday 7.30 am** Intentions of Heavern Family **11.30** **am** **Funeral: Jadwiga Sadowski RIP** **7.30 pm** Adoration until 10 pm (Compline 9.45 pm)

**Friday 7.10 pm** Rosary **7.30 pm Holy Communion**

##### Saturday 9.00 am (Old Rite) Arthur Wareham (Anniv) 5.45 pm Bernard Grovenor & Stuart Lee RIP

##### Sunday 9.30 am Vera Farley RIP

**OUR LADY’S**

**Monday 10.00 am** **Holy Communion (Prayer Group)**

**Friday 9.00 am – 9.45 am** Adoration **10.00 am** Intentions of Sheila Mikulicz

**Sunday 5.00 pm** Arizmendi Group Intentions

**SACRED HEART**

**Sunday 11.30am** The People of the Parish

**CONFESSIONS**: **St Ambrose’s:** Saturday 11.45am-12.45pm, 6.30pm-7.00pm; and by request.

**Sacred Heart:** by request.

**MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK**

**Altar Servers for morning Mass:** Rio Stokes, Gianluca Swain.

**Eucharistic Ministers Readers**

St Ambrose’s Saturday 5.45 pm: E Darbyshire, B Galvin, M Weaver. Filipino Mass

Sunday 9.30 am: M Bradley, C Duncombe, E Fox, M Holmes, J Villa. P Young

Our Lady’s Sunday 5.00 pm: N Doherty, J Gavan, B Taylor. M Bowdler, P Bowdler

Sacred Heart Sunday 11.30 am: M Peyton, A Stanley J Moore.

**Church Cleaners (St Ambrose’s):** Team B **Offertory Counters:** Group 4

**Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially**: Pope Benedict XVI, Dorothy Atwell, Albert and Elsie Barr, Peggy Baynton, Christina Bickley, Margaret Blizard, Frank Bourke, Alan Bullock, Linda Button, Jackie Cainey, Catherine Carroll, Nigel Collier, Nora Collins, David Connolly, Rob Conway, Elsie Corti, Rob Cotgrave, Jane Cox, Eamonn Dalton, Dorothy Donigan, Joni Dunlea, Sr Maureen Fay, Victoria Fleming, Corinne Fox,Anthony Georgieff, Frances Graves, Shirley Hale, May Hampsey, Margaret Harley, Mary Harris, Christine & Tom Hopkins, Vicki Houghton, Keeley John, Jan Joyce, John Joyce, Ben Kelly, Marie Lane, Lynda Law, Audrey Little, Eleanor Lloyd, Bridget Locke, Arwen Lockley, Peter McQuillan, Michael Maffei, Marjorie Male, Lee Maund, Sheila Mikulicz, Jean Mulligan, Kitty Murray, John Nangle, Andrew Neale, Delia Nepi, Margaret Norris, Pat Norris, Beatrice ‘Myrtle’ O’Mahoney, Maureen O’Neill, Daniel Oxenham, Joyce Parker, Gordon Peyton, Chris Price, Janet Richards, Nancy Ruffinato, Harold Salter, Rita Simmonds, Jonathan Slater, Cecil Smith, Margaret Smith, Marie Stokes, Edward Sutton, Carmen Thomas, Jim Thomas, Frances Tovey, Peter Towers, Patricia Virr, George Watkins, Edith Wilkes and Rene Yates.

**Entrance Antiphon:** O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for He is the Lord our God.

**Response to the Psalm:** The good man is a light in the darkness for the upright.

**Gospel Acclamation:** I am the light of the world, says the Lord; anyone who follows me will have the light of life.

**Preface III:** p. 569. **Eucharistic Prayer I:**  p. 591. **Mystery of Faith: I**

**Communion Antiphon:** Let them thank the Lord for His mercy, His wonders for the children of men for He satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry He fills with good things.

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**BUILDING MATTERS:** Unfortunately, all three of our properties have suddenly developed serious problems which will need to be addressed almost immediately. The most pressing is at Our Lady’s, where the Servers’ Sacristy and confessional have been declared unsafe and cannot be used at present. There has been an increasing problem with the flat roof (erected in the 1960s), and water has now poured into the building and now presents a health hazard. It may be several months before we can have full access. The guttering at the Church in Tenbury has now just about worn out, as has much of the guttering in the Rectory at St Ambrose’s. Much work will be necessary, therefore, at all three of our sites, and this does have a financial implication because scaffolding, etc., will be necessary. In addition, there is some electrical and lighting work still to be done in our Parish Church. If I may ask parishioners to bear these matters in mind when deciding on a contribution to our weekly collection, this will be a help. Any offerings that can be ‘gift aid’ are additional sources of income for us. Details of gift aid are available from Tim Yates. I am very grateful to the members of the Finance Committee who take responsibility for the wise stewardship of our resources in these matters – Fil Vaccaro, Keith Bannister and Tim Yates (St Ambrose’s); David Godwin and Brian Taylor (Our Lady’s); Chris Stanley (Tenbury).

**LATELY DEAD:** **Jadwiga Sadowski** died in Hospital early this week. She was 84 years old. Her Funeral will be on Thursday.

**COFFEES/TEAS:** will be provided in the Borromeo Hall after 9.30 am Mass by the Ambrosians and next Sunday by the CMS & associates.

**MASS FOR THE SICK:** This afternoon at Our Lady’s at 5.00 pm (Principal Celebrant and homilist: Fr Charles Miller). Please try to enable all who need to receive this Sacrament to be present, by offering lifts and arranging transport. I shall be in Tenbury tomorrow (Monday) morning, visiting Nursing Homes and anointing parishioners there. Tuesday (the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes) is **World Day of Prayer for the Sick**. Please make a special effort to attend Mass and pray for our many sick parishioners.

**UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS:** The Union of Catholic Mothers will meet in the Borromeo Hall on Monday evening at 7.30 pm, and will welcome new members.

**KIDDERMINSTER DEANERY:** The Clergy of the Kidderminster Deanery will meet on Tuesday at St Wulstan’s, Stourport-on-Severn. They will be discussing Diocesan Financial Statements, and a newly formed **Caritas Commission**, which aims to co-ordinate much of the Social Work done by groups in the Archdiocese.

**CHRIST AND HIS CHURCH:** When we meet in the Montini Room on Tuesday at 7.45 pm we shall be considering the Church and its Mission in the world of today. Everyone welcome.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** The first meeting in preparation for the First Sacraments – Confession and First Holy Communion, will be in School on Wednesday at 6.30 pm. The children will be working with Parish Catechists and Teachers, and the Parish Priest will be meeting with those presenting their children for these Sacraments (parents and guardians).

**PARISH RAMBLE:** The next Parish Ramble will be on Saturday, 15th February. We will meet at 10.30 am at the picnic place/car park on the A44 just beyond Pershore Bridge. New participants will be made most welcome. For more details contact Bernard Page on K. 637456 or 07541 246786.

**SACRED HEART, TENBURY:** There will be a meeting in the Church in Tenbury on Wednesday, 19 February, to discuss current issues, but also to plan the 75th anniversary celebrations later this year. The meeting will be at 7.00 pm. It is proposed to publish a booklet to commemorate this anniversary – memories, articles and photographs will be helpful. More details soon.

**BROOK COURT - CARE FEE PLANNING:** A meeting will be held at Brook Court Care Home on Friday, 21 February from 11.30 am when a Financial Planner will give advice and guidance on funding for long-term care, whether this is at home or in a Care Home. Refreshments will be available throughout the event. Please see noticeboard for further details.

**NIGHT AT THE MOVIES QUIZ NIGHT:** The Parish Priest will be the Host/Quizmaster for a Night at the Movies Quiz in the Adams Lounge on Saturday, 22 February, from 7.00 pm. A family film will be shown after the quiz. Please see the noticeboard.

**FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT:** 24 February – 9 March. The Kidderminster Fairtrade Steering Group will promote various events in Kidderminster, together with Traidcraft and The Fairtrade Foundation. Details are on the noticeboards.

**WOMEN’S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:** Friday, 7 March. This ecumenical service has taken place in Kidderminster since 1947 and this year originates from the women of Egypt. It will be hosted at 10.30 am by the Church of the Holy Innocents, and by the Baptist Church, Franche, at 7.30 pm. All men, women and children are welcome to attend. The day in Tenbury is being hosted by our Church at 3.00 pm. There will be a rehearsal on Thursday, 13 February at 3.00 pm with as many participants as possible taking part. The contact in Tenbury is Sarah Coates (01584 781103).

**FINANCES:**  **i** There is a retiring collection today, asked for by the Bishops of England & Wales, to mark the appointment of

Archbishop Vincent Nichols as Cardinal. Proceeds from the collection will be given to the **Friends of the Holy Land** to support Christians there who are suffering.

**ii** Thank youfor the offering last week of £1029.33 (Envelope Scheme £355.89, Loose £673.44).

**iii** So far the **Life Collection** raised £175.24.

**iv** The **Water Aid** collection at Tenbury was £43.60.

**v** Thanks to our Whist players for a donation of £100.

**BORROMEO HALL/ADAMS LOUNGE:** Available for functions of all kinds: parties, receptions, etc. Please contact Mary Preston (07513 295817) or Margaret Blizard (07742 730680).

**EVERY FRIDAY:** Folk Music in the Adams Lounge with visiting musicians/singers and instrumentalists. Free admission 8.00pm – late.