

ST AMBROSE'S PARISH KIDDERMINSTER

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Holy Family Sunday Year C Psalter Week 1 CTS Sunday Missal p105 Week commencing: 27th December 2015

Response to the Psalm: They are happy who dwell in your house, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Open our heart, Lord, to accept the words of your Son.

Preface III of the Nativity: p553 **Eucharistic Prayer:** I p591

Mystery of Faith: III

Feast Days this Week: **Mon:** The Holy Innocents **Tues:** St Thomas of Canterbury

Fri: Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God

Next Sunday is to be observed as the Solemnity of the Epiphany

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

ST AMBROSE'S

Monday	10.30 am	Deceased of Bostock and Donigan families
Tuesday	9.00 am	Mick Galvin RIP
	10.30 am	Funeral Service: Paul Crowley RIP
Wednesday	10.30 am	Tom Corrigan RIP
	1.00 pm	Funeral Service: Margarete Masters RIP
Thursday	10.30 am	Intentions of Mary McCullagh
	7.30 pm	Adoration until 9.00 pm (Compline 8.45 pm)
Friday	9.30 am	Adoration until 10.15 am
	10.30 am	Gwilym Davies RIP
Saturday	9.00 am	Fr Aengus Donlon RIP, followed by Rosary and Novena prayers for the sick
Sunday	11.00 am	In Thanksgiving (Kingsford and Freemantle)
	6.00 pm	Carol Judge RIP

SACRED HEART

Sunday 9.00 am The People of the Parish

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: Volunteers, please

Eucharistic Ministers

St Ambrose's: Sunday 11.00 am R Barber, G Bennett, M Bradley, A Colclough G Hodgkinson, M Darbyshire
E Darbyshire, D David
6.00 pm R Fox, L Farmer, B Gavan, J Gavan, M Hesketh C Jones, T Alexander

Readers

Sacred Heart: Sunday 9.00 am S Coates, M Harper J Hughes

Church Cleaners: Team C

Offertory Counters: Group 6

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially: Fr Paul Chavasse, Fr Peter Jones, Ann Aylott, Joan Aylott, Albert and Elsie Barr, Joan Battye, Joseph Baylie, Peggy Baynton, Lilia Beecroft, Christina Bickley, Catherine Blunt, Frank Bourke, Jean Bullock, Linda Button, Martin Cahill, Rupert Caple, Nigel Collier, Helena Collins, Nora Collins, Rob Conway, Bunty 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, Mary Harris, Canice Heavern, Vicki Houghton, Cindy Jones, Tom Jones, Jan Joyce, John Joyce, Audrey Little, Francesca Lloyd, Bridget Locke, Arwen Lockley, Margaret McKeever, Joe McLaughlin, Peter McQuillan, Gaetana Maffei, Michael Maffei, Marjorie Male, Petronilla Marciante, Robert Matthews, Lee Maund, Margaret Metcalf, Sheila Mikulicz, Jeannie Morrison, Kitty Murray, Delia Nepi, Kate Nicholls, Margaret Norris, Pat Norris, Billie O'Keefe, Jean O'Shaughnessy, Katherine O'Sullivan, Daniel Oxenham, Jo Peters, Chris Price, Revd Philip Prince, Janet Richards, Harold Salter, Jackie Sands, 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.

Thanks: It was a very hectic time before Christmas, but thankfully many parishioners were on hand, and we were well prepared. A special word of thanks must go to the marvellous group which assembled on Monday and spent most of the morning giving the Church a thorough cleaning – cobwebs which had survived for a long time were finally removed. As always, servers, Ministers, Readers, musicians and flower arrangers all rose to the occasion, as did the Sacristans (in both our Churches). Both Key Stage productions in School were of a high standard this year, and those who attended the Party, and the Carol Service last weekend had an enjoyable time. I am grateful to all who give such support to the Parish during the course of each year, and for the many greetings and encouraging and appreciative words which came to the Rectory during this holy season. May God bless all of us in the New Year.

Congratulations: Adam Elcock has recently received an award at Hagley School for his outstanding contribution to the Catholic life of the School, and for his sustained commitment to Altar Serving.

From the Registers:

We pray for those who were baptised in our Parish in 2015: Demi-Leigh Baker, Leala Baker, Brandon Baker, Cody-James Bennett, Gabriella Bills, Austin Bishop, Callum Byrne, Sarah Jane Cambridge, Rupert Caple, Scarlett Chesterman, Frankie Clark, Luca Crowe, Harrison Dando, Solomon Davies, Bernadette Doherty, Pearl Eakins-Jeffs, Cara Ellerton, Thomas Ferguson, Dylan Goodwin, Ellie Grace Hunter-Julian, Aurelia Jeffries, Oliwia Karcz, Ebony Kitchen, Liam Kneuss, Josephine McGinley, Summer Mol-Farmer, Hannah Morris, Daniel Parker, Michael Payne, Rocco Pearson, Kirsty Potter, Annabelle Pugh, Brooke Reynolds, James Reynolds, Caoimhe Lily Rowlands, Charlie Michael William Rowlands, Alexander Hoang Sadler, Freya Shuker, Adas-Pijus Sliuzas-Sabaliauskas, William Stinton, Kaitlin Street, Amelia Eve Street, Joseph Vessey

Please pray for the continued happiness of those who were married in our Church during this past year: Daniel and Sophie Edwards, Andrew and Felicity Harvey, Christopher and Roberta Ince, Anthony and Amanda Jarvis, Charles and Brooklyn Jones, Thomas and Sabrina Keen, Stuart and Magdalena Konopka, Dean and Samantha Mongen, Lee and Katie Norris, Michael and Ruth Payne, Ryan and Cara Taylor-Mills.

To those who died this year: Thomas Ashcroft, Brian Booker, Nora May Brandon, Margaret Bernadette Breese, Winifred Clare Brookes, Alan William Bullock, John Patrick Connolly, Paul Crowley, Simon Jeffrey Darke, Josephine Davies, Martin Downs, Thomas John Evans, Harry Ferguson, Michael Galvin, Anthony Dimitri Georgieff, David Hawkins, Brian James Hodgkinson, Lisa Hopkins, Jacqueline Elizabeth Hughes, Cora Jane Kelly, Lynn Margaret Kerrigan, Barbato Anna Maffei, Dora Victoria Maffei, John Martin Mahoney, Alice Margaret McGuire, Michael McKeever, Joseph Metcalf, Margaret Masters, Leon Miszkowski, Florence Edith Morris, Terence James John Morris, Mary Barbara Morriss, Philip John Motteram, Bruna Murray, Andrew John Neale, Beatrice Myrtle O'Mahoney, Joyce Winifred Parker, Daniel James Power, Irene Power, John David Purslow, Anizia Rapacz, Helen Roberts, Alice Roberts, Gerlando Seminerio, Vincenza Seminerio, Marguerita Simmonds, Mary Carmen Thomas, Yvonne Marie Whelan, Maureen Winifred Whitehouse, **may God grant eternal rest. Amen**

Funerals: Please note the Funeral arrangements for Paul Crowley and Margarete Masters (overleaf). Neither of these funerals will include a Mass.

Eucharistic Ministers: Please collect your copy of the rota for January from the back of Church today.

New Year's Eve: The usual New Year's Eve Party will be in the Adams Lounge from 7.30 pm on 31 December. There will be a Family Disco, and tickets are available from the Adams Lounge (adults £3, children £1.50).

Friends of the Holy Land: This year our famous 'Pie and Pint' has been replaced by a 'Casserole for Christians' and we have brought it back into the Christmas season, on Sunday, 10 January, in St Ambrose's Hall. Tickets (£7 each) will be on sale from 27 December. There will be a showing of a DVD made recently about our work in the Holy Land, featuring Cardinal Vincent Nichols, Archbishop Justin Welby and a whole host of stars from the Holy Land. Contact Maureen Brewer (01562) 754322 or Siobhan Stewart (01562) 637666.

Catholic Men's Society: Will members please note that the Annual General Meeting will be held on 6 January at 7.30 pm in the Presbytery.

Finances:

- i Thank you for the Offertory last week of £828.05. (Loose plate £482.65, Envelope Scheme £345.40).
- ii Donations to CAFOD were £3.85.
- iii We have added a further £54.45 to our total for the Poor Parishes of the Diocese.
- iv Thanks to all who have supported the Christmas Draw (£400), and the 200 Club. The major prizes for 2015 were won by Elsie Corti, Bill Hopkins and Molly Lamb. Membership for 2016 is now being opened and it will be good to reach our total of 200 members
- v Parishioners may wish to know that this Parish will be levied by the Diocese in 2016 in excess of £14,000.

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 pm. **WHIST:** Every Wednesday, 2.00 pm. Please come along and support the Parish Centre.

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