

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF KIDDERMINSTER
ST AMBROSE'S Birmingham Road Kidderminster DY10 2BY (01562 822839)
OUR LADY & ST PIUS Canterbury Road Habberley (01562 748474)
SACRED HEART & OUR LADY Berrington Road Tenbury Wells
BRC DTR Registered as a Charity

Parish Clergy: Fr Douglas Lamb, Fr Philip Garrett (resident in Tenbury Wells)
Rev. Thomas Ashcroft, Rev. Peter Hesketh (Deacons) Rev. Peter Mason (in retirement)

Fourth Sunday in Year B Psalter Week 4 Pope John Sunday Missal p. 749 January 28th/29th 2006

Entrance Antiphon: Save us, Lord our God, and gather us together from the nations, that we may proclaim your holy name and glory in your praise.

Response to the Psalm: O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!

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Communion Antiphon: Let your face shine on your servant and save me by your love. Lord keep me from shame for I have called to you.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK: **Tues.** St John Bosco **Thur.** The Presentation of our Lord **Fri.** St Blaise

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

St Ambrose's

Mon: 7.30 am Patricia Wysocka RIP

Tues: 8.30 am Gustavo Tiene RIP

Wed: 8.30 am Reparata Rouse RIP

Thurs: 7.30 pm Intentions of Irene McFarland (Adoration/Compline 9.45 pm)

Fri: 11.30 am Funeral: MARTIN WHITE RIP **7.10 pm** Rosary **7.30 pm** Holy Communion

Sat: 8.30 am (Latin) Giorgio Scrocca (Anniv) 6.30 pm Michael Salsano RIP

Sun: 10.30 am Christopher Marshall RIP

Our Lady's

Mon: 7.30 pm Holy Communion

Wed: 7.30 pm – 8.30 pm Adoration

Fri: 9.00 am – 9.45 am Adoration 10.00 am William O'Mahoney (Anniv)

Sat: 10.00 am Charles and Marie Evans

Sun: 9.00 am The People of the Parish

Sacred Heart

Sun: 10.30 am Intention as appointed by Fr Garrett

CONFESSIONS

***St Ambrose's:* Saturday: 11.45 am – 12.45 pm 7.15 – 7.45 pm and by request**

***Our Lady's:* Saturday after morning Mass or as announced**

***Sacred Heart* By request**

Please pray for all in our communities who are sick especially during the Rosary at St Ambrose's each Friday at 7.10 pm. Barney Murray, May Claridge, Mary Collins, William Patrick Bannister, Anthony Piechowicz, Jumper Collins, Rosa D'Oriano, Elizabeth Westwood, Sylvia Jay, Marie Woodfine, Tony O'Dowd, Vera Farley, Gene Whitwam, Mary O'Connor, Martin Cahill, John Power, Eric Whittaker, Joan Whittaker, Daniel Cullen, Ada Wall, Maggie Booton, Keith Southall, Eric Turner, Lillian Insleay, Jean Legierski, Joe and Joan Whitfield, Carmen Thomas, Margaret Norris, Mathilde Bono, Harold Hatton, Bill Nicholl, Mary Jones, Wilf Bradley, Edith Wilkes, Jo Collins, May Hampsey, Jacqueline Byrne, Christine Barber, John Mullen, Anne Edwards, Kath Fisher, Bill Pardoe, Sheila Mikulicz, Rene Caulfield, Marion Thomson, Rita Vaccaro, Aniela Slyszyk, Pat Norris, Michael Davies, Peter McQuillan, Sheila Dymow, Kitty Heffernan, Ivan Watton, Lucy Dudzinski, Pat Coffey, Janet Richards, Liz Ashcroft, Ann Weavers, Joanna Bonner, Phil Eady, Wyn Concannon, Eamonn Dalton, Mary Cull, Yvonne Choyce, Jim Valentine and John Rogers.

MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

St Ambrose's

Church Cleaners: Team A **Offertory Counters:** Group 7

Altar Servers: Weekday mornings A Halford A Jimenez **Sat 8.30 am** J Fox

Sat. 6.30 pm Team A **Sun. 10.30 am** Team B

Children's Liturgy: To be appointed

Parish Prayer: O God, the Creator and giver of all things, bless our Parish in this united endeavour, strengthen our faith, grant us the spirit of sacrifice so that, with thy grace, we may provide for the needs of our Parish, Glorify Thee and sanctify ourselves, through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Eucharistic Ministers**St Ambrose's****Sat. 6.30 pm**

C Hopkins T Webb

Sun. 10.30 am

R Barber J Kowalik P Lay S Salsano

Our Lady's**Sun. 9.00 am**

H Bearne A McDermott B Taylor L Whatley C Cassidy M Loftus

Readers

Tom Wilson

D Reynolds

Welcome: Dr VINCENT McKEE, Director of UK- Philippines Salesians Support Foundation is visiting our Parish this weekend with an exhibition and leaflets explaining the work of his organisation. Dr McKee will speak briefly after Holy Communion.

Baptisms: There are two Baptisms in our Parish this weekend. ALICE HICKEY is to be baptised during Mass at 10.30 am, and ANNABEL HARVEY this afternoon. Congratulations to both families.

Funeral: MARTIN WHITE of Pineridge Drive died in hospital last weekend. His Funeral Mass is on Friday at 11.30 am prior to burial in Kidderminster Cemetery. May he rest in peace.

Coffees/Teas: will be provided in the Borromeo Hall after 10.30 am Mass today by the SVP and next Sunday by FOSAS.

St Ambrose's Children's Liturgy of the Word: A meeting will be held in the Parish Hall after Mass today (Sunday) to organise a new rota and activities. If anyone wishes to join us, then please come along.

Holocaust Memorial Service: The Annual Service to commemorate the Holocaust will be at the memorial in front of St Mary's today at 1 pm. Those attending are invited to bring a flower.

Scripture Study: The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 31st January at 7.30 pm in the Rectory. Please feel welcome to join us.

It's the Mass that matters: At Our Lady's on Tuesday at 7.30 pm. We shall share a few reflections on the Body of Christ, the Eucharist and the Church. Everyone welcome.

Whist Drive: Every Wednesday 2 pm. Learners welcome.

Catholic Men's Society: Kidderminster Branch AGM will take place on Wednesday 1st February at 7.30 pm in the Rectory. The meeting will be an open forum to discuss the planned events and dates for 2006. Please make every effort to attend this important meeting.

The Presentation of Our Lord: The Mass for this feast is on Thursday at 7.30 pm beginning with the blessing of candles and procession with lighted candles, commemorating Our Lord taking possession of the Temple as the Light of the World. Our Confirmation children are given a special invitation.

St Blaise: The customary blessing of throats will be given on Friday after Mass and following the Communion Service.

SVP: The next meeting of the SVP takes place on Friday February 3rd at 8 pm in the Hall/Rectory. New members welcome. Thank you.

Mass at the Oratory: on Saturday 4th February at 11 am which is the Sovereign Military Order of Malta's Birmingham Reunion which will include the Anointing of the Sick. After Mass, luncheon will be provided in the Oratory Hall following which there will be a short presentation on the Order including Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. There is car parking next to the Oratory Church but a lift can be arranged for those who need it. Anyone wishing to come can contact Andrew Grant on 01886 832368.

Panto Fun: Next Saturday (4th Feb.) at 7.45 pm in the Borromeo Hall. Come and enjoy traditional entertainment presented by famous Parish talent! Entrance by donation or raffle prize, all proceeds to Parish funds. Bring a plate of food for a shared supper and join us for a hilarious family evening. Dress rehearsal today (Sunday) at 2.30 pm and Friday at 7 pm in the Borromeo Hall.

Cardinal Newman: Tues 21st February: Service to mark the 205th Anniversary of Newman's birth. This day is kept every year as a day of prayer for the Beatification of Cardinal Newman. This year there will be a Service of Music, Preaching and Prayer commencing at 7.30 pm at the Oratory Church, Edgbaston. The subject of the talks will be 'Newman and Holy Scripture'. Bishop David McGough, Auxiliary Bishop of Birmingham, is the guest speaker.

Kidderminster Operatic and Dramatic Society: presents 'My Fair Lady' at the Rose Theatre, Kidderminster from Thurs. 2nd March to Sat. 11th March at 7.30 pm. Matinee Sat. 11th at 2.30 pm. Ticket prices Thurs. end £8. Fri 3rd – Sat. 11th £9. Matinee £6.50. Box Office 01562 743745 Mon to Sat 10 am – 4 pm.

Priests' Training Fund: Parishioners who make an annual contribution to the Fund are asked to put this in an envelope marked 'Priests' Training Fund' and place in the weekly collection. Anyone who makes a monthly contribution and needs more envelopes should contact Mary Heffernan on K. 743639 as should anyone who is interested in knowing more about the Fund.

The Italian Hospital Fund: we are a charity that seeks to help people of Italian origin who are in need of funds for medical treatments that the NHS has difficulty in providing. We have inherited the work of the former Italian Hospital in London which was sold off to the Great Ormond Street Children's Hospital. After paying the outstanding debts and expenses, a modest sum of money was left which has been invested and the proceeds are being used to help Italian people with funds for their medical needs. All they have to do is write to us stating their case supporting their request with some official document and asking us to make a grant towards their medical expenses. Details from the Parish Priest.

Lent Discussion Groups: A five week course entitled 'Easter People in a Good Friday world' will be followed by members of local Christian churches. I hope we shall take part. Please notify Fr Lamb if you would allow an inter Church group to meet weekly in your home during Lent,. Suggested day and time will be necessary.

Finances: Thanks for last week's Collection of £721.36 (envelope scheme £205; loose £516.36).