

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF KIDDERMINSTER
St. Ambrose's, Birmingham Road, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY10 2BY (01562 822839)
Our Lady & St. Pius X, Canterbury Road, Habberley. (01562 748474)
Sacred Heart & Our Lady, Berrington Road, Tenbury Wells.
B.R.C.D.T.R. Registered as a Charity
Parish Clergy : Fr. Douglas Lamb, Fr. Philip Garrett (resident in Tenbury Wells)
Rev. Thomas Ashcroft and Rev. Peter Hesketh. In retirement : Dr. Peter Mason

Sixth Sunday of Year B Psalter Week 2 Pope John Sunday Missal pg. 757 Wk/end February 11th/12th 2006

Entrance Antiphon : Lord, be my rock of safety, the stronghold that saves me. For the honour of your name, lead me and guide me.
Response to the Psalm : You are my refuge, O Lord; you fill me with the joy of salvation.
Gospel Acclamation : Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!
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Memorial Acclamation : II
Communion Antiphon : They ate and were filled; the Lord gave them what they wanted: they were not deprived of their desire.
Feast Days this week : **T. St. Cyril and St. Methodius**

Mass Times and Intentions for the Coming Week

St. Ambrose's

Monday	7.30 a.m.	Michael Ascott RIP (Combined with Morning Prayer)	
Tuesday	8.30 a.m.	Danny and Sheila Beahan RIP	
Wednesday	8.30 a.m.	Arthur Wareham (Anniversary)	
Thursday	8.30 a.m.	Bill Smith RIP	
	7.30 p.m.	Adoration until 10.00 p.m. (Compline 9.45 p.m.)	
Friday	11.30 a.m.	Funeral Kitty Heffernan	
	7.10 p.m.	Rosary	7.30 p.m. Holy Communion
Saturday	8.30 a.m.	(Latin) Phil and Josie Murray RIP	
	6.30 p.m.	Alf Baylie RIP	
Sunday	10.30 a.m.	Deceased Members of the O'Donovan Family	

Our Lady's

Monday	7.30 p.m.	Holy Communion (followed by Prayer Group)
Wednesday	7.30 p.m.	Adoration until 8.30 p.m. (Prayers for Vocations)
Friday	9.00 a.m. – 9.45 a.m.	Adoration
	10.00 a.m.	Norman Smith-Shaw RIP
Saturday	10.00 a.m.	John O'Connor RIP
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	The People of the Parish

Sacred Heart

Sunday 10.30 a.m.

Intention as appointed by Fr. Garrett

Confessions :

St. Ambrose's - Saturday 11.45 a.m. – 12.45 p.m. 7.15 p.m. – 7.45 p.m. 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, Ann Edwards, Kath Fisher, Bill Pardoe, Sheila Mikulicz, Rene Caulfield, Marion Thomson, Rita Vaccaro, Aniela Slyszyk, Pat Norris, Michael Davies, Peter McQuillan, Sheila Dymow, Ivan Watton, Lucy Dudzinski, Pat Coffey, Janet Richards, Liz Ashcroft, Ann Weavers, Phil Eady, Wyn Concannon, Eamonn Dalton, Mary Cull, Yvonne Choyce, Jim Valentine, John Rogers and Amelia Gissyng.

Ministries for the Coming Week:

St. Ambrose's

Weekday Mornings	Elliott Kelsall, Benito Maffei	Saturday Thomas Holmes
Saturday 6.30 p.m.	Team A	
Sunday 10.30 a.m.	Team B	

Eucharistic Ministers

A. Harris, R. Quinn
 A Colclough, C. Geraghty, D. Holdstock, G. Whitwam

Readers

M. Holmes
 G. Brijmohan

Saturday 6.30 p.m.

Sunday 10.30 a.m.

Teams at Our Lady's

Sunday 9.00 a.m.

J. Norwood, K. Norwood, V. Page, P. Standing

B. Gavan, P. Bowdler

St. Ambrose's

Church Cleaners Team C

Offertory Counters Group 1

Children's Liturgy

To be appointed

Baptism : Please pray for **Lucy Grace Connolly**, who is to be baptised this afternoon by the Revd. Peter Hesketh.

Funeral : This week we mourn the death of one of our most respected parishioners, **Kitty Heffernan**, who died in the Shrubbery Nursing Home early on Wednesday morning. Her funeral Mass has been arranged for Friday at 11.30 a.m.

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 SANTIFY OURSELVES. THROUGH CHRIST OUR LORD, AMEN.

Census & Parish Group Forms : Additional forms are available for us to give to family, friends, neighbours and colleagues who might be interested in our parish. Take as many as you can to pop through letter boxes or maybe leave on a work desk. We should like especially to make contact with former parishioners and enable them to rejoin our community.

School-Parish Co-ordinator : In order that the School can be fully involved in our Renewal and to encourage even greater communication between School and Parish, **Tracey Phillips** has kindly consented to be a School-Parish Co-ordinator. She will work closely with Marion Phillips, and with Mrs. Yates in this important work.

Parish Renewal Update : A website is being set up to promote all our parish events. Parents from our School are establishing Youth Groups to allow our youngsters to meet, strengthen in faith and stay within our parish. Records are being updated via the census forms. Parishioners are being encouraged to join our many groups and associations and invite someone else to come along too. The UCM has taken on The Fabric Fund and would welcome innovative ideas for fundraising. There is much with which to be involved. Your skills, talents and experience are needed and will be appreciated.

Parish Pantomime : We had a marvellous evenings entertainment last week at the performance of Cinderella. The obvious enjoyment of the cast communicated itself to an enthusiastic audience, and a wonderful shared supper followed the performance. Thanks and congratulations to everyone involved. £90 was raised for Parish funds.

Coffees/Teas will be provided in the Borromeo Hall after 10.30 a.m. today by the Choir and next Sunday by the Ambrosian Group.

Kidderminster Deanery : The Clergy of our Deanery will meet on Tuesday at St. Ambrose's. The main topic will be the development of the Order of Deacons, and the Revd. Peter Hesketh will lead our discussion.

It's the Mass that Matters :The progress of the Liturgical Year, and the cycle of Solemnities and Feast Days will be considered this week at our Lady's on Tuesday at 7.30 p.m. Everyone welcome to join in.

Whist Drive : All card players are reminded of the regular Whist Drive in the Borromeo Hall each Wednesday at 2.00 p.m.

Ambrosian Group : The monthly shared lunch will take place on Thursday in St. Ambrose's Parish Hall. Please meet at 11.45 a.m. Everyone welcome.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul : The next meeting of the S.V.P. takes place on Friday, 17th February at 8.00 p.m. in the Hall/Rectory. New members welcome.

Parish Rambling Group : Please meet **next Sunday (19th)** at Wyre Forest Nature Park, Dry Mill Lane, Bewdley at 12.45 p.m. Any enquiries ring Bernard Page 01562 637456. Directions to walk at the back of both Churches.

Music for Middlebrows : Three distinguished Composers have important anniversaries this year. It is the 250th anniversary of **Mozart's** birth; the 150th anniversary of the death of **Robert Schumann**, and the centenary of the birth of **Dmitri Shostakovich**. Selections from the works of all three will feature in 'Music for Middlebrows' in the Borromeo Hall next Sunday evening from 7.45 p.m. Good company and wonderful music assured.

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 and District 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 10.00 am – 4.00 pm.

Lent Sermons : As part of our Parish Renewal, five parishioners have agreed to speak on the theme '**Our Parish and Me**', reflecting on different aspects of the life of our Parish. These sermons will be during the Stations of the Cross on the Sunday of Lent, at 6.30 p.m. I am very grateful to **Madeleine Roy, Gibraun Brijmohan, Frank Collins, Robert Grealy and Marion Phillips** for agreeing to participate.

Solemnity of St Chad : The Solemn Mass in honour of St Chad, and the Procession of his Relics is on Saturday March 4th. Mass is at 12 noon in St Chad's Cathedral. The Principal Celebrant will be the Archbishop. Intending participants may wish to notify Fr Lamb so that travel arrangements can be made.

Parish Consultative Group : Members are invited to attend a meeting at Our Lady's on Tuesday, March 7th 7.30 p.m. After a period of prayer, we may be able to receive an account of progress in the Parish Renewal and exchange ideas for future activity. The Parish Priest would also like to consult about a possible change in the weekday timetable of Masses and other services. Invitations will be distributed in the near future but members are asked to note the date of this meeting.

Parish Lunch : There will be Mass at 12 noon on Saturday March 18th followed by lunch in the Borromeo Hall. Boiled bacon, colcannon and a choice of puddings - £3.50.

St Patrick's Party : In the evening of March 18th we shall have the very popular **St Patrick's Night Party**. There will be the usual Irish music, dancing and Irish Dance displays. In addition this year there will be a **Riverdance Video Show** – something for everyone to enjoy. Tickets £4.00 available in the coming weeks.

Parish Passover : Thanks to the Union of Catholic Mothers, it will be possible for us to have a Parish Passover Supper in the Borromeo Hall on the Wednesday in Holy Week, April 12th. **Antonio and Sarah Scocca**, together with **Giorgio** and **Santino**, have agreed to be our host family.

Her Majesty, the Queen : To mark the 80th Birthday of Her Majesty, the Queen, there will be a traditional English Supper in the Borromeo Hall – Soup, Steak Pie and Queen of Puddings. This will be on her birthday, Friday April 21st at 8.00pm. Tickets £6.50. More details and list to follow soon.

Papal Encyclical : [Pope Benedict's first Encyclical Deus Caritas Est](#), has been widely acclaimed throughout the Christian World. The CTS have published an excellent translation. Please sign lists if you would like us to order a copy for you (£2.95 each). On CTS (Catholic Truth Society) matters, **Jennifer Bush** and **Joanna Bonner** have agreed to establish a CTS rack and bookstall at St. Ambrose's. I am sure that they will be well supported.

Kidderminster Male Choir would like to pay someone to watch their cars while they practise at St. Mary's on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7.30 to 9.30 p.m. Phone K.862099.

The Choir has donated £100 to St. Ambrose's School to be used for music in grateful thanks for the School Choir's participation in their Christmas Concert at the Town Hall.

Finances :

- i) Thank you for last week's Offertory of £730.68 (Envelope Scheme £184.10; loose £546.58).
- ii) There were donations to CAFOD of £21.08.
- iii) A further £95 from the Christmas Tree Greetings has been received.
- iv) There is a retiring Collection today for the Catholic Education Council.
- v) Congratulations to the winners of the prizes in the January Draw of the 200 Club **M. Birch (No.14)** and **S. Wareham (No.158)**. Thanks also to all who have renewed their subscriptions, and to all who are participating for the first time this year. Prospective members are invited to contact the 200 Club Administrator, Charles Duncombe (K.746748).