

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF KIDDERMINSTER

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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. Derek Edwards, (DEACONS) REVDS THOMAS ASHCROFT, PETER HESKETH. In Retirement Dr. Peter Mason.

Fifth Sunday Year C Psalter Week 1 Pope John Sunday Missal PG 886 Wk end February 3rd/4th 2007-02-03

Entrance Antiphon: Come, let us worship the Lord. Let us bow down in the presence of our maker, for he is the Lord our God.

Response to the Psalm: Before the angels I will bless you, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia Alleluia! Follow me says the Lord and I will make you fishers of men. Alleluia!

Preface ; Eucharistic Prayer ; Memorial Acclamation (as appointed by the Celebrant)

Communion antiphon: Give praise to the Lord for his kindness, for his wonderful deeds towards men. He has filled the hungry with good things, he has satisfied the thirsty.

Feast Days this week: M. St. Agatha T. St. Paul Miki S. St. Scholastica

Mass Times and Intentions for the Coming Week - St Ambrose's

Mon: 7.30am Well being of Cyril Hack

Tue. 7.30am Intentions of Willie James and Annie McElhinney

9.15am Pat Coffey RIP

Wed. 7.30am Rose Fagan RIP

8.30am Elsie Reynolds RIP

Thu 8.30am Kitty Heffernan (Anniv)

7.30pm Adoration until 10pm (Compline 9.45pm)

Fri 7.10pm Rosary 7.30pm Cindy Lyes RIP

Sat. 12 noon Intentions of Jennifer Bush

6.30pm Teresa & George Walton (Anniv)

Sun. 10.30am Intentions of Galvin family

Our Lady's

Mon. 7.30pm Agnes Millichap RIP (Prayer Group)

Wed. 7.30pm Adoration until 8.30pm (Prayers for Vocations)

Fri. 9am-9.45am Adoration

10am Tessie Schiavone RIP

Sat, 9.30am Mary Ellen Hill RIP

Sun. 9am Marie Beahan RIP

Sacred Heart.

10.30am The People of the Parish

CONFESSIONS: St. Ambrose's: Sat. 11.00am-11.45am 7.15pm-7.45pm and by request;

Our Lady's: Saturday: After the morning Mass or as announced; TENBURY By Request

Please pray for all in our communities who are sick, especially during the Rosary at St. Ambrose's each Friday at 7.10pm. 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, Martin Cahill, John Power, Eric Whittaker, Ada Wall, Maggie Booton, Keith Southall, Eric Turner, Lillian Insleay, Jean Legierski, Joe and Joan Whitfield, Carmen Thomas, Margaret Norris, Mathilde Bono, Bill Nicholl, Mary Jones, Wilf Bradley, Edith Wilkes, Jo Collins, May Hampsey, Jacqueline Byrne, Christine Barber, John Mullen, , Anne Edwards, Bill Pardoe, Lucy Dudzinski, Janet Richards, Liz Ashcroft, Phil Eady, Sheila Mikulicz, Rene Caulfield, Marion Thomson, Rita Vacarro, Pat Norris, Ivan Watton, Eamonn Dalton, Mary Cull, , Jim Valentine, Amelia Gissyng, Kathleen Whatley, Margaret Grimley, Stella Griffith, Jean McHugh, Arwen Lockley, Maria Bradley, Peggy Baynton, , Rita Preston, Tom Healey, Joseph Samways, Jo Kean, Norman Taylor, , Patrick O'Connor, Anne Stringer, Helen Drew, Simon Sadler, Con Griffin, Mike Oborski, Diane Grovenor, Kitty Cooper, Bill Perry, Nora Collins, Jennifer Bush, Anthony Georgieff, Joan Wareham, Steven Mitchelland, Thomas Anderson..

MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK:

Church Cleaners: TEAM B Offertory Counters; Group 4

CHILDREN'S LITURGY; to be appointed

ALTAR SERVERS ST. AMBROSE'S

Weekday Mornings: Joseph Patrick, Harvey Kelsall

Saturday 6.30pm TEAM B; Sunday 10.30am TEAM A

Saturday 6.30pm

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

A. Harris J. Nangle

READERS

A. Conway

Sunday 10.30am

R. Barber, T. Hart, J. Kowalik, C. Vass

G. Whitwam

OUR LADY'S

Sunday 9.00am

M. Bowdler, P. Bowdler V. Page, L. Whatley

J. Keetch, C. Villa

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.

BAPTISMS This week, in the sacrament of Baptism, we welcome ZACK JOSEPH McGARRY: and the Revd. Thomas Ashcroft will baptise ALASDAIR LENDON-MONTROSE earlier in the day. Please pray for these families on this special day.

ANNIVERSARIES Monday is the anniversary of the death in 1998 of Fr. THOMAS O'CARROLL (one time Parish Priest of Our Lady & St. Patrick, Birchen Coppice); and Wednesday is the anniversary of the death in 1940- of our most distinguished Parish Priest, CANON CHARLES AMBROSE WHEATLEY (Parish Priest 1885-1908)

COFFEES/TEAS will be provided in the Borromeo Hall after 10.30am Mass today by the Parent and Toddler Group and next Sunday by the UCM.

CATHOLIC BASICS On Tuesday evening at Our Lady's from 7.30pm the Revd. Peter Hesketh will speak about the Moral Life of the Catholic, and lead a discussion on important issues which have such relevance at present. All welcome.

CATHOLIC MEN'S SOCIETY The Worcester District A.G.M. will take place at St. Ambrose's on Wednesday February 7th at 7.30pm. Our first Plan meeting of 2007 will be on Wednesday 21st February in St. Ambrose Rectory. We shall be discussing Bulletin 1. All men of the Parish are invited to come along and share a little in their Faith, any newcomers will be made most welcome. Perhaps this period of Parish renewal is the time to try something new?

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL next meeting takes place on Friday 9th February 07 at 8pm. In the Hall/Rectory. New members welcome.

MASS AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK The World Day of Prayer for the Sick is on February 11th, the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. We shall offer Mass on Saturday February 10th in St. Ambrose's at 12 noon, during which the sick who are present will be anointed. There will be a salad lunch in the Borromeo Hall afterwards. We ask Eucharistic Ministers, SVP members, family members and neighbours, to enable as many sick parishioners as possible to attend. Parishioners who are prepared to offer transport are invited to contact the Parish Clergy. If attendance is absolutely impossible, names of such parishioners should be notified to the Parish Clergy, and he will arrange for the Sacrament to be received at home. However, in this year of renewal, it would be wonderful for all of us to come together in our Parish Church. All parishioners are, of course, invited to be present and if those attending could provide a bowl of salad, this would be a big help to the caterers. Thank you.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS OF COMMITMENT The children who are preparing for First Holy Communion will join with their parents and the Parish in the Mass of Commitment next Saturday at 6.30pm. Please pray for them.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB will meet at Habberley on Wednesday 14th February. Contact Joyce Gavan or Marie Hesketh 748474.

CARDINAL NEWMAN Tuesday 20th February 2007 Service to mark the 206th Anniversary of Newman's Birth. The 21st February is kept every year as a day of prayer for the Beatification of Cardinal Newman. This year the 21st February is ASH WEDNESDAY, therefore the celebration is moved to the 20th February SHROVE TUESDAY, when there will be Service commencing at 7.30pm at the Oratory Church, Edgbaston. The subject will be "NEWMAN and MUSIC" – ROSEMARY DARBY/TALK.

AREA MASS The second of our Area Masses for the Year of Renewal will be at Our Lady's on Friday FEBRUARY 23RD and an invitation is given to those who live in the Habberley Estate and its environs. We shall deliver invitations to everyone we know of but we do rely on our parishioners there to invite others they may know. Further details next week. The Mass will be at 7.30pm and will be followed by a gathering and light refreshments in the social area.

KIDDERMINSTER OPERATIC & DRAMATIC SOCIETY presents "Anything Goes" by Cole Porter at the Rose Theatre from Thursday 1st March to Saturday 10th March at 7.30pm with a 2.30pm Saturday matinee on 10th March. Tickets from the Box Office on KI. 743745 between 10am and 4pm.

LENT RETREAT WEEK please pray for the success of this Retreat Week March 11th – 18th and prepare to participate fully.

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL require a cleaner for approximately an hour and a half per day starting at 6/6.30am Anyone who may be interested, please contact Mr. Ian Crowe on 01562 822929.

FAIRTRADE BANANA CAMPAIGN The sale of Fairtrade Bananas in the Borromeo Room after Mass on Sundays is aimed at helping to safeguard the livelihoods of small farmers in Costa Rica, the Windward Islands, Ecuador and Ghana. The bananas are sold singly at supermarket prices. Please support.

ENRICH YOUR MARRIAGE When someone buys a new car they usually want to look after it. The manufacturer recommends they get it serviced on a regular basis. Relationships also need to have a "check up" from time to time. A **MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND** gives married couples time to look at their relationship. It is not for couples with serious problems. It's an **enrichment** experience. The weekend is spent listening to a series of presentations on various aspects of relationship, including the Catholic Church's Vision for Marriage. After each presentation some time is spent together as a couple, reflecting on what has been heard. Apart from mealtimes and the concluding Mass, the weekend is spent together as a couple. It is a private weekend Leaflets are available from the back of church. You can also find more details including dates and venues on the website which is www.wwme.org.uk through which you can also arrange a booking.

FINANCES

- i. Thank you for last week's Offertory £793.14 (Envelope Scheme £307.35 Loose £484.79)
- ii. Collection today for the Catholic Education Council.
- iii. The very charming Missionary Sister raised £584.11. Thank you.
- iv. Donations to CAFOD were £26.24

EDUCATION SUNDAY Today in common with all the Christian Churches, we pray for all engaged in the work of education. We have seen in recent weeks just how important our Schools are to the Catholic Church in this country, and what an important part they play on the national scene. Our School is looking forward to moving into the new building. The hand over date is March 9th. We have arranged for the School to be formally opened at 2pm on that afternoon. The ceremony will be performed by ADA STEWARD, a parishioner and former pupil of the School (1930-1939) We thank her for kindly consenting to do this on our behalf and following the official opening, parishioners will be invited to visit the new building. It is hoped that the Archbishop will bless the new building during the summer term. Both occasions will be commemorated photographically and with suitably engraved plaques.