

**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 Derek Edwards  
 Revd. Thomas Ashcroft, Revd. Peter Hesketh Revd. Peter Mason (in retirement)

The Solemnity of St John the Baptist Psalter Week 4 Pope John Sunday Missal p.1036 Weekend: June 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> 2007

**Entrance Antiphon:** There was a man sent from God whose name was John. He came to bear witness to the light, to prepare an upright people for the Lord.

**Response to the Psalm:** I thank you for the wonder of my being.

**Gospel acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! as for you, little child, you shall be called a prophet of God, the Most High. You shall go ahead of the Lord to prepare his ways before him. Alleluia!

**Preface:** of St John the Baptist p. 1039 **Eucharistic Prayer:** I p.566 **Memorial Acclamation:** II

**Communion Antiphon:** Through the tender compassion of our God, the dawn from on high shall break upon us.

**FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK: Th. St Irenaeus Fri. The Solemnity of SS Peter and Paul**

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

***St Ambrose's***

**Mon:** 7.30 am Abbot Alan Rees RIP  
**Tues:** 8.30 am In Thanksgiving  
**Wed:** 8.30 am John and Iva Greene RIP  
**Thurs:** 8.30 pm Maria Doherty's Intentions 1.15 pm FUNERAL: ANN LLEWELLYN RIP  
 7.30 pm VIGIL MASS (People of the Parish) followed by Adoration until 10 pm (Compline 9.45 pm).  
**Fri:** 9.30 am Deceased Tolley family 12.30 pm MARRIAGE 7.10 pm Rosary  
**Sat:** 9.00 am (Latin) Emily Kinsella RIP 5.45 pm Giovanna, Andrea & Caterina Salsano RIP  
**Sun:** 9.30 am Florence Violet Logue RIP

***Our Lady's***

**Mon:** 7.30 pm HOLY COMMUNION  
**Wed:** 7.30 pm Adoration until 8.30 pm  
**Fri:** 7.30 pm John Power RIP  
**Sat:** 9.30 am Mathilde Bono RIP  
**Sun:** 5.00 pm Donor's Intention

***Sacred Heart***

**Fri:** 11.30 am Tom Healey RIP  
**Sun:** 11.30 am The People of the Parish

**CONFESSIONS**  
*St Ambrose's:* **Saturday: 11.45 am – 12.45 pm; 6.30 – 7.00 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:** 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, Eric Whittaker, Ada Wall, Maggie Booton, Keith Southall, Eric Turner, Lillian Insleay, Jean Legierski, Joe and Joan Whitfield, Carmen Thomas, Margaret Norris, Bill Nicholl, Mary Jones, Wilf Bradley, Edith Wilkes, May Hampsey, Jacqueline Byrne, Christine Barber, John Mullen, Bill Pardoe, Sheila Mikulicz, Rene Caulfield, Marion Thomson, Rita Vaccaro, Pat Norris, Lucy Dudzinski, Janet Richards, Liz Ashcroft, Phil Eady, Eamonn Dalton, Mary Cull, Jim Valentine, Amelia Gissying, Kathleen Whatley, Margaret Grimley, Jean McHugh, Arwen Lockley, Maria Bradley, Peggy Baynton, Rita Preston, Joseph Samways, Jo Kean, Norman Taylor, Patrick O'Connor, Helen Drew, Simon Sadler, Con Griffin, Diane Grovenor, Kitty Cooper, Bill Perry, Nora Collins, Jennifer Bush, Anthony Georgieff, Joan Wareham, Steven Mitchell, Thomas Anderson, Linda Button, Ellen Patton, Fernanda Maffei, Gertraud and Dominik Chrzan.

**MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK**

***St Ambrose's***

**Church Cleaners:** Team A **Offertory Counters** Group 8 **Children's Liturgy:** to be appointed  
**Altar Servers:** weekday mornings: Harvey Kelsall Gian Carlo Sumpagpao Sat. 5.45 pm Team B Sun. 9.30 am Team A

**Eucharistic Ministers**

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**Thurs:** 7.30 pm To be appointed P Young **Fri:** 9.30 am H Stewart M Cleary School  
**Sat:** 5.45 pm T Alexander B McFarland T Alexander **Sun:** 9.30 am P Grealy A Hunt C Kneuss G Whitwam L Harler

***Our Lady's***

**Sun:** 5.00 pm **Eucharistic Ministers:** B Gavan J Norwood K Norwood L Whatley **Readers:** K Kelly O Da'Costa

**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.**

**Thanks:** The Parish can be truly proud of everything that happened here on Tuesday. Visiting Priests have been lavish in their praise of our organisation: the efficiency of the CMS, the Ushers, wine waiters and Altar Servers; the competence and quality of our Choir and musicians- and the food which was magnificent in display and digestion. So many parishioners and visitors have commented on the beauty of the Mass in honour of Our Lady, and the tasteful flower arrangements in Church – and most pleasing of all, the cordiality and hospitality of our parishioners. I would like to offer my own personal thanks to everyone who made it the most memorable night of my life, and for overwhelming me with gifts, cards, greetings and many very beautiful and moving words of appreciation. I will offer Mass in Thanksgiving on Tuesday morning. Thanks to the ladies of the Parish for entering so wholeheartedly into the spirit of the evening with such an elegant display of millinery.

**Seminary Students:** Congratulations to BEN KELLY for outstanding exam results at Oscott this year. After successfully completing his year at Valladolid, ROBERT GREALY has decided not to proceed further at present. Please keep him in your prayers as he continues to seek God's will in his life.

**Baptism:** Today, we welcome LAYTON and JENSON BOWEN who are to be baptised by the Revd Peter Hesketh.

**Marriage:** Please pray for EAMONN VESSEY and CATHY GOULD as they prepare for their marriage at St Ambrose's next Friday. We pray that they will be blessed in their life together.

**Funeral:** ANN LLEWELLYN, who died last week at her home in Husum Way, will be cremated in Stourbridge next Thursday, after Mass at St Ambrose's.

**Coffees/teas:** will be provided in the Borromeo Hall after 10.30 am Mass today by the Pre-School Group and next Sunday by the CMS.

**The Union of Catholic Mothers:** meets on Monday at 8.15 pm in the Borromeo Hall.

**Weston –Super- Mare:** Coach trip this Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June. If interested, please phone K. 745410 or 827606.

**Coffee Morning/Bring and Buy:** Next Wednesday there will be a Coffee Morning/Bring & Buy Sale at the home of CAROLE WATKINS (181 Stourbridge Road) from 9.30 am – 2.30 pm. This will support Steve Mitchell who is at present in a course of severe treatment for his present illness. Please try to help this effort.

**Society of St Vincent de Paul:** The next meeting of the SVP takes place on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June at 8 pm in the Hall/Rectory. New members welcome. Thank you.

**Cake Sale:** 1<sup>st</sup> July after 9.30 am Mass in aid of Youth Services

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Hednesford:** The annual Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes in Hednesford will be on Sunday July 1<sup>st</sup> with Mass offered at 4 pm by the Archbishop. Please see the notice board for further details.

**Lourdes Pilgrimage:** Several people have expressed an interest in making the Pilgrimage next year as it will not only be the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Apparitions to St Bernadette but also the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Church. Because demand is expected to be very high, a booking will need to be made very soon and decisions need to be made on the method of travel (coach or air). A list is being started at the back of both churches. Please put down your name and preferred mode of travel.

**SPUC:** On Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July, a SPUC (Society for the Protection of Unborn Children) meeting has been arranged in the Sacred Heart Church 208 Worcester Rd Droitwich. This has been convened as a follow up to the very successful meeting earlier in the year. The meeting will discuss local action and the formation of a group. A warm invitation is extended to anyone interested to attend this meeting which will start at 7.30 pm.

**PACT Meeting:** The next PACT meeting for residents of Greenhill will be in the Polish Club, George Street, on Tuesday July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7 pm.

**Catholic Men's Society:** Our next Plan meeting will be on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July in St Ambrose's Rectory. We shall be discussing Bulletin 4. 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?

**Bosom Friends** (the local Breast Cancer Support Group) and the Vasculitis Unit from Birmingham Hospital are holding a fund raising Big Band Evening on July 7<sup>th</sup> at 8 pm with Crown Phoenix a twenty piece band with two vocalists. The venue is Stourport Workmen's Club, Stourport. Tickets £10 with Buffet available from Lynne Marshall (01299 403793) or Luke Caldwell (01299 403469).

**Austerity Lunch:** The next lunch in support of Christian Aid/CAFOD will be in Our Lady's Hall, Habberley on Sunday July 8<sup>th</sup> from 12.30 pm.

**Kemp Hospice:** There will be a Chaplaincy Training morning on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 10 am – 1 pm. Please see the notice boards for details.

**Doing Justice and Peace:** there will be a workshop for Worcester and Kidderminster Deaneries at St Georges Church Hall, Worcester on Saturday July 14<sup>th</sup> 10 am – 4 pm. Details on notice boards.

**An Ordination:** On Thursday, I received news that one of the Altar Servers at St Aloysius Oxford ANGEL RAYMONDO is to be ordained to the Priesthood in Spain on July 2<sup>nd</sup>. I nominated him as a Eucharistic Minister in 1986, his family returned to Spain in 1990 and we lost touch – until Thursday. DEO GRATIAS.

#### **Finances:**

- i. Next Sunday an old friend of the Parish, Fr DENIS O'CONNOR will make an APF membership appeal in the Parish. There will NOT be a collection as this is an appeal for new members and red box holders.
- ii. Thank you for the Collection last week of £739.29 (envelope scheme £216; loose £573.29)
- iii. Thank you for the continuing dedication of hymn books for use at Our Lady's
- iv. Today's retiring collection is PETER'S PENCE, the traditional personal gift to our Holy Father, Pope Benedict.

**Post –script:** If anyone would like a copy of the Souvenir Order of Service or a Prayer Card from last Tuesday's Mass, please ask at the Sacristy of each of our Churches.