ST AMBROSE'S PARISH KIDDERMINSTER The Rectory, Birmingham Road, Kidderminster DY10 2BY (01562 822839) OUR LADY & ST PIUS X, Canterbury Road, Kidderminster DY11 6DR (01562 748474) SACRED HEART & OUR LADY, Berrington Road, Tenbury Wells Parish Clergy: Fr Douglas Lamb, Fr Derek Edwards, Revd Peter Hesketh In retirement: Revd Thomas Ashcroft, Revd Dr Peter Mason In preparation: Charles Duncombe Twenty Fifth Sunday of Year A Psalter week 1 Pope John Sunday Missal p.697 Week ending 20th/21st September 2008 Entrance Antiphon: I am the Saviour of all people, says the Lord. Whatever their troubles, I will answer their cry, and I will always be their Lord. Response to the Psalm: The Lord is close to all who call him. Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of our Son. Alleluia! **Preface :** of Sundays V p. 564 Eucharistic Praver: III p. 579 Memorial Acclamation: IV Communion Antiphon: You have laid down your precepts to be faithfully kept. May my footsteps be firm in keeping your commands. FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK: Tue: St Pio of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio) Wed. Our Lady of Walsingham Sat. St Vincent de Paul MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK: ST AMBROSE'S Mon: 7.30 am Susan McGlinchey's Intentions 7.30 am Deceased members of Farley family 9.15 am Michael Hodges RIP Tues: 7.30 am Emily Kinsella RIP 8.30 am Pat Griffin RIP Wed: 8.30 am Amy Harris RIP Thurs: 7.30 pm: Adoration until 10 pm (Compline 9.45 pm) Fri: 11.30 am Funeral: MICHAELA SALSANO RIP 7.10 pm Rosary 7.30 pm: Sister Katharine Fitzpatrick RIP 9.00 am (Old Rite) Loane Family (living & dead)11.30 am MARRIAGE LEE PRESCOT & GEMMA DI PAOLA 5.45 pm Sat: People of the Parish Sun 9.30 am Rita Preston RIP **OUR LADY'S** Mon: 7.30 pm Mary Collins RIP Fri: 9.00 - 9.45 am Adoration 10.00 am Intentions of Lynne Marshall Sat: 10.00 am Dominik Czarn RIP Sun: 5.00 pm The Bono family (SVP) SACRED HEART Sun: 11.30 am For peace in the world CONFESSIONS: St Ambrose's : Saturday 11.45 am - 12.45 pm 6.30 pm - 7 pm; and by request Our Lady's : Saturday after Mass Sacred Heart By request **MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK:** Altar servers for morning Mass: Owen Malcolmson-Priest and Liam Timms **Eucharistic Ministers** Readers Saturday 5.45 pm: T Alexander, D Douglas M Holmes St Ambrose's Sunday 9.30 am: A Colclough, C Duncombe, C Kneuss, J Villa C Kneuss Sunday 5.00 pm: **Our Lady's** M Bowdler, P Bowdler, B Gavan, J Gavan K Kelly, H Bearne Sacred Heart Sunday 11.30 am: M Peyton S Coates Church Cleaners (St Ambrose's) Team B **Offertory Counters:** Group 1

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially: William Patrick Bannister, Anthony Piechowicz, Jumper Collins, Elizabeth Westwood, Sylvia Jay, Tony O'Dowd, Vera Farley, Gene Whitwam, Martin Cahill, Eric Whittaker, Maggie Booton, Keith Southall,, 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, Eamonn Dalton, Mary Cull, Jim Valentine, Amelia Gissyng, Arwen Lockley, Maria Bradley, Peggy Baynton, Joseph Samways, Jo Kean, Norman Taylor, Patrick O'Connor, Helen Drew, Con Griffin, Diane Grovenor, Kitty Cooper, Gertraud Chrzan, Kathleen Mellsop, Shirley Hale, Francesca Marciante, Pat Quinn, Frank Kane, Connie Maund, Fr David Higham, John Freeman, Eileen Postans, Joan Bone, Janet Richards, Phil Eady, Joni Dunlea, Brigid Bradbury, Peter McQuillan, Felicity Librie, Sr Maureen Fay, Mario Mazzone, May Williams, Baby Samways, Marjorie Johnson, Desmond Gallagher and Magda Morris.

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Invitation: We are giving out an Invitation Sheet today and we hope that everyone will be able to make **AT LEAST** one entry. Please indicate whatever contribution is already being made and any other area of interest. There is so much talent in our Parish, and so much enthusiasm and it is important that we make it possible for everyone to play his/her own distinctive part in the life of our Parish. Forms may be returned to the Rectory at any time, but preferably **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**.

Flower Festival: Our thanks are due to all who worked so hard to present our memorable Flower Festival, and to the Kidderminster Valentines who, together with the Beaufort Male Choir, performed the concert last Saturday evening. The whole weekend was an outstanding success. As always, there was a most congenial atmosphere. Also, the profit to the Parish was £1788. Congratulations all round.

Archives: We hope to have a display of our own Parish archives during the first week in December, prior to the Anniversary Mass. We need **at least** three people to sort them out and make them presentable. Volunteers to the Parish Priest, please.

Marriages: Yesterday, we celebrated the marriage of JASON MAHONEY and CLARE BLADEN. Next Saturday, GEMMA DI PAOLA and LEE PRESCOT will be joined in this Sacrament. Please pray for their future and lasting happiness

Renewal: Next Saturday afternoon, ANGELA & ANDREW STEWARD will be renewing their marriage promises. Congratulations. **Lately Dead:** On Tuesday afternoon, MICHAELA SALSANO died peacefully at the advanced age of 90 years. She had been in a Nursing Home in the Parish for many years. Her Funeral Mass is next Friday prior to burial in Kidderminster Cemetery. May she rest in peace.

Anniversary: Tuesday is the anniversary of the death in 2001 of Canon Albert Adams (Parish Priest 1969-92) RIP

Year of St Paul: Next weekend there will be a Pastoral Letter from the Archbishop about this important initiative. He hopes his letter will help all parishes to mark the year appropriately. Our plans will be announced next week.

Sponsored walk: Many thanks to all who took part in the walk on Saturday or who sponsored a walker. Please could money be handed in to Chris Vass or to the Rectory in a clearly marked envelope

Coffees and teas: will be provided in the Borromeo Hall after 9.30 am Mass today by the Children's Liturgy Group and next Sunday by the Choir.

Variety Show: there will be a rehearsal this afternoon (Sunday) in the Borromeo Hall at 2 pm. If you cannot attend but wish to take part please contact Chris Vass (K. 630949).

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

Greenhill Pact Meeting: the next meeting of the Greenhill Pact will be in the Polish Club, St George's Terrace, on Monday at 7 pm. All residents of Greenhill are invited to be present to discuss the quality of life in our area and to make suggestions for improvements. **Confirmation:** The programme of preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation begins on Wednesday, 24th September at 6.30 pm in the School Hall. Those families participating will be attending Mass together on Saturday September 27th at 5.45 pm. This year familes have been asked to make their own application and commitment, and they will be prepared by the Parish Clergy and Catechists working alongside the School staff.

Macmillan Coffee Morning: on Friday 26th September in the Parish Hall 9 am to 12 noon.

Public Lecture: a Public Lecture will be given at Oscott College on Tuesday 30th September at 8 pm and it will be on the two novels of Cardinal Newman, **Loss and Gain** and **Callista.** These novels contain some of the Cardinal's most profound religious thoughts and the speaker is Professor Sheridan Gilley who was formerly Professor of Church History at the University of Durham; and author of 'Newman and his Age'. The evening ends with night prayer.

Harvest Thanksgiving: This year, our Harvest Thanksgiving Mass and Shared Supper will be in the Sacred Heart Church in Tenbury on Friday 3rd October at 7 pm. Last year, we had a wonderful evening together and I hope that many of our parishioners from Kidderminster will make the journey and enjoy the hospitality of our community in Tenbury. Next year we will be celebrating the 70th Anniversary of the Tenbury Mass Centre and this will be an appropriate 'curtain raiser'.

Music for Middlebrows: This group will re-convene in the Borromeo Hall on Sunday October 5th at 7.45 pm and the Parish Priest will offer a personal selection of music. Everyone is very welcome to enjoy good music in pleasant company.

Day of Eucharistic Adoration: The Annual Day of Eucharistic Adoration at Our Lady's will be on Tuesday October 7th (The Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary). Details of the day, and lists for Adoration will be available next week.

Anniversary Dinner: As part of the celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the building of our Parish Church, we will be hosting an Italian meal in the Borromeo Hall on October 12th which one of our parishioners, Giovanni Sorrentino and his family have kindly offered to prepare for us. Bishop Philip Pargeter will be our Guest of Honour. It will be an Italian menu, based on chicken, followed by Tira-Mi-Su. The cost per person is £8 (including wine). Please sign the lists that are at the back of all our churches, as soon as possible.

Day of Recollection for Men: The Catholic Men's Society is promoting a Day of Recollection on Saturday October 11th in the Sacred Heart Church, Tenbury. It will be led by the Parish Priest. Intending participants from Kidderminster should meet at St Ambrose's at 9.45 am with a packed lunch (tea & coffee will be available). The day will end at about 4 pm

Hereford Catholic Conference: a weekend for young Catholics at St Mary's RC High School Lugwardine October $10^{th} - 12^{th}$. See noticeboard for details.

Birmingham Diocesan Justice and Peace Assembly: the Fourth Assembly will be on Saturday 11th October at St Peter's Catholic School, Solihull. Please see noticeboard.

Victorian Autumn Fayre: Saturday 25th October: In order for this fundraising event to be successful we need the support of Parishioners, either by offering help on the Friday or Saturday, donating items or prizes, and also attending the Autumn Fayre on the Saturday. This week we are asking for donations of unwanted gifts.