

ST AMBROSE'S PARISH KIDDERMINSTER

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Third Sunday in Lent Year B Psalter Week 3 Pope John Sunday Missal . p.224 Weekend: 14th/15th March 2009

Entrance Antiphon: I will prove my holiness through you. I will gather you from the ends of the earth; I will pour clean water on you and wash away all your sins. I will give you a new spirit within you, says the Lord.

Response to the Psalm: You, Lord, have the message of eternal life.

Gospel acclamation: Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory! I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord, whoever believes in me will never die. Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory!

Preface: at choice **Eucharistic Prayer:** at choice

Memorial Acclamation: at choice

Communion Antiphon:

n.b. *The Readings for Mass at 9.30 am are taken from the Third Sunday of Lent YEAR A (p.199 – 203)*

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK: Tues: St Patrick Thurs: THE SOLEMNITY of ST JOSEPH

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

St Ambrose's

Mon: 7.30 am Anthony O'Dowd RIP

Tues: 7.30 am Patrick Heffernan (Anniv) 9.15 am Michael Cleary RIP 10.30 am Funeral: MARY REEP RIP

Wed: 7.30 am Tadeusz Mazgnjczyk RIP 8.30 am Tom Partridge RIP

Thurs: 8.30 am Joseph Torri (Anniv)

7.30 pm Adoration until 10 pm (Compline 9.45 pm)

Fri:

7.10 pm Rosary 7.30 pm Julia Cuff RIP

Sat: 9.00 am (Old Rite) Holy Souls

5.45 pm Edith Donigan RIP

Sun: 9.30 am Jack Connolly (Anniv)

6.30 pm The Stations of the Cross

Our Lady's

Mon:

7.30 pm Paul Schilling

Wed:

Fri: 9.00 – 9.45 am Adoration 10.00 am John Kerrigan RIP

Sat: 10.00 am In Thanksgiving (Garry Yang)

Sun:

5.00 pm John Power (Anniv) 6.30 pm The Stations of the Cross

Sacred Heart

Sat: 12 noon The People of the Parish

Sun: 11.30 am William Alexander Larth

CONFESSIONS

St Ambrose's:

Saturday: 11.45 am – 12.45 pm;

6.30 – 7.00 pm and by request

Our Lady's:

Saturday after Mass

Sacred Heart:

By request

MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

St Ambrose's

Altar Servers: morning Mass: Charlie Gough, Tommy Patrick

Church Cleaners: Team C

Offertory Counters: Group 2

Eucharistic Ministers

Sat. 5.45 pm

A Harris T Webb

Sun. 9.30 am

M Bradley D Duncombe C Geraghty C Kneuss

Our Lady's

Sun. 5.00 pm

H Bearne, J DaCosta, J Scully, L Whatley

Readers

Filipino Community

L Harler

J Walker K Nicholls

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, Vera Farley, Gene Whitwam, Martin Cahill, Eric Whittaker, Maggie Booton, Keith Southall, Jean Legierski, Joe and Joan Whitfield, Carmen Thomas, Margaret Norris, Bill Nicholl, Wilf Bradley, Edith Wilkes, May Hampsey, Jacqueline Byrne, Christine Barber, John Mullen, Bill Pardoe, Sheila Mikulicz, Rene Caulfield, Marion Thomson, 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, Diane Grovenor, Kitty Cooper, Nora Collins, Jennifer Bush, Anthony Georgieff, Joan Wareham, Steven Mitchell, Linda Button, Fernanda Maffei, Gertraud Chrzan, Kathleen Mellso, Shirley Hale, Francesca Marciante, Pat Quinn, Frank Kane, Connie Maund, John Freeman, Eileen Postans, Joan Bone, Janet Richards, Phil Eady, Joni Dunlea, Brigid Bradbury, Peter McQuillan, Sister Maureen Fay, May Williams, Baby Samways, Marjorie Johnson, Magda Morris, Michael Butera, Margaret George, Anthea Speers, Nancy Ruffinato, Patricia Virr, Gioconda Salsano, Lawrence Speers, Michael Maffei, Tina Hawkins, Michelle Hamm, Dorothy Breese, Jean Dalton, Jean & Eddie Mulligan, Angela Privitera, Bill Trow and Kate Norton.

St Joseph's Day: Next Thursday is the Solemnity of St Joseph, the Patron of the Universal Church. I hope that many will wish to attend Mass on that day to honour this great Saint.

Lately Dead: Our thoughts and prayers are with Nancy Hill and her family on the recent tragic death of Rowland, her son. We pray for Pam, his wife, and his son, Patrick. May he rest in peace.

Friends of the Holy Land: A representative of this newly formed group will speak briefly at the end of our weekend Masses.

Catholic Truth Society: (St Ambrose's) Do you prefer large print books? There are some large print Stations of the Cross on the CTS bookstand. There are several other titles in the catalogue, including a simple prayer book and they can be ordered at any time.

Post Confirmation Group: A representative group of parents, children and our Year 6 teacher, Mrs Stewart, together with the Parish Priest met the Deanery Youth Officer, Sarah Crowley, during the week and hope to promote a Family Camping weekend at Top Barn, Holt on June 5th/6th. A planning meeting is proposed in April when the level of support has been discovered. Further details later.

The First Scrutiny: Please pray during the week for SUSAN CONNOLLY, JOY FARMER, ALISON McCORMACK and LISA WATTERS who celebrate the First Scrutiny during Mass at 9.30 am. The Readings at this Mass are taken from YEAR A.

Coffees/Teas: will be provided in the Borromeo Hall after 9.30 am Mass today by FOSAS and next Sunday by the Pre-School Group.

Stations of the Cross: This important Lenten Devotion takes place in both our Churches in Kidderminster this evening at 6.30 pm, and will be led at St Ambrose's by Charles Duncombe and at Our Lady's by Andrew Hunt.

The Union of Catholic Mothers: meets on Monday at **7.30 pm** in **St Ambrose's Church** for Stations of the Cross followed by our normal meeting in the Hall. All ladies most welcome to join us.

Society of St Vincent de Paul: The next meeting takes place on Monday March 16th at 8 pm in the Rectory. Please note the change of day.

Ambrosian Group: the next meeting is on Thursday 19th March from 11.45 am. New members welcome.

Day of Recollection: the second Day of Recollection for Lent will be at Sacred Heart, Tenbury next Saturday, March 21st at 10.30 am (depart St Ambrose's 9.50 am). Please bring a packed lunch, drinks will be provided.

Filipino Community: Members of the Filipino Community will lead the celebration of Mass next Saturday at 5.45 pm providing music, reading and Offertory procession.

St Patrick's Night Special: Saturday 21st March 7.30 pm – late. This year's party will be hosted by a very popular ceilidh band from Edgbaston – Dempsey's Lot. Tickets £10 available from the Rectory (K.822839) or St Ambrose's Club (07742 730680).

Car Boot Sale/Table Top Sale: Sunday 29th March 8 am – 1.30 pm in St Ambrose's School yard. Cost £5 per table/boot. BBQ and bar available.

'Rock': a musical by Roger Jones based on St Peter will be performed by soloists and New Life Together Choir at Kidderminster Town Hall on Saturday 4th April 7.30 pm. Tickets: £10/£8 concessions available from Sue Stinton (K.752798) or Chris Vass (K.630949).

Passover Supper: Wednesday 8th April at 7 pm. Lists are available at the back of all Churches for the names of parishioners who wish to attend the Passover Supper. Please indicate if you prefer a vegetarian option. Lists will remain open until Sunday 29th March.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham: The Archdiocese of Birmingham will make the annual pilgrimage to Walsingham on Saturday 9th May. We are not usually able to fill a coach so the Kidderminster Deanery has agreed to run a coach that day. It will start at Our Lady of Mount Carmel in the early morning (about 7 am) and the coach fare will be subsidised. Lists will be available shortly. This is a very ancient and beautiful place of pilgrimage and is well worth visiting and participating in the pilgrimage devotions.

Oscott Seminary 10 km Run: Students at Oscott (including Ben Kelly) will be running 10 km around the College grounds on May 12th in order to support two charities. Please see the publicity notices in our Churches.

- Finances:**
- i. Thank you for last week's Offertory of £831.44 (Loose £533, Envelope Scheme £298.44)
 - ii. The Lent Fast Day Collection raised £257.21
 - iii. A further £33.98 has been raised for St Chad's Cathedral – total now £281.68
 - iv. We acknowledge, with gratitude, a donation of £250 from the family of John Power, a faithful servant of the Community at Our Lady's. A pedestal has been provided for the statue of the Sacred Heart and inscribed in John's memory
 - v. The winners of the prizes for the February Draw 2009 of the 200 Club are John Parker (no. 122) and Sylvia Kealey (no. 53). Thanks to the several new members who have joined this year. There are numbers still available for this excellent way of giving direct financial support to the Parish.