

**ST AMBROSE'S PARISH KIDDERMINSTER**

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In Retirement: Revd Thomas Ashcroft, Revd Dr Peter Mason

In Preparation: Charles Duncombe, Adam Nicholls

Twenty-fourth Sunday Year C Psalter Week 4 Pope John Sunday Missal p960 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> September 2010

Feast Days this week: **Mon:** St John Chrysostom **Tues:** Exaltation of the Holy Cross

**Wed:** Our Lady of Sorrows **Thurs:** SS Cornelius & Cyprian **Fri:** St Robert Bellarmine

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

***St Ambrose's***

<b>Mon</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>	Patricia Wysocka RIP
<b>Tues</b>	<b>8.30 am</b>	Victoria Hart RIP
	<b>7:30 pm</b>	Ecumenical Service of Prayer
<b>Wed</b>	<b>9.15 am</b>	Intentions of Maureen Torri
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>8.30 am</b>	Christine Barber RIP
<b>Fri</b>	<b>7.10 pm</b>	Rosary
<b>Sat</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	(Old Rite) Holy Souls
	<b>5.45 pm</b>	Intentions of Eric Baker
<b>Sun</b>		Papal Mass at Cofton Park (Adams Lounge open 8:00 am for large screen viewing. Tea and coffee available)

***Our Lady's***

<b>Mon</b>	<b>7:30 pm</b>	Holy Communion
<b>Fri</b>	<b>9.00 – 9.45 am</b>	Adoration <b>10.00 am</b> Intentions of Marie Hesketh
<b>Sat</b>	<b>10.15 am</b>	Thomas Geraghty RIP
<b>Sun</b>	<b>6.30 pm</b>	The People of the Parish

***Sacred Heart***

<b>Sat</b>	<b>12.30 pm</b>	(For Sunday) Marie and Hugh Chrisp
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**CONFESSIONS:**

***St Ambrose's:*** Saturday no midday, 6.30 – 7.00 pm and by request

***Our Lady's:*** Saturday after Mass

***Sacred Heart:*** By request

**MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK:**

**Altar Servers for Morning Mass:**

<b>St Ambrose's</b>	<b>Sat</b>	<b>5.45 pm</b>	Callum Charles, Benjamin Fox	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	<b>Readers</b>
<b>Our Lady's</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>6.30 pm</b>	E Darbyshire, B McFarland		Filipino Mass
<b>Sacred Heart</b>	<b>Sat</b>	<b>12.30 pm</b>	M Bowdler, P Bowdler, A McDermott, L Whatley		C Villa, K Nicholls
			M Peyton		J Moore

**Church Cleaners (St Ambrose's):**

Team A **Offertory Counters:** Group 8

**Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially:**

Dorothy Atwell, Christopher Aylott, Eric Baker, William Patrick Bannister, Albert Barr, Peggy Baynton, Christina Bickley, Frank Bourke, Dorothy Breese, Linda Button, Stephen Coates, Nora Collins, David Connolly, Kitty Cooper, Jane Cox, Mary Cull, Eamonn Dalton, Joni Dunlea, Phil Eady, Vera Farley, Sr Maureen Fay, Celia Fernandez, John Freeman, Anthony Georgieff, Muriel Godsell, Shirley Hale, May Hampsey, George Humble, Veronica Jones, Ben Kelly, Cathy Kneuss, Felicity Librie, Eleanor Lloyd, Arwen Lockley, Peter McQuillan, Fernanda and Michael Maffei, Natalina Maffei, Giuseppe Marciante, Kathleen Mellsop, Sheila Mikulicz, Jean Mulligan, Margaret Norris, Pat Norris, Bill O'Donnell, Eileen Postans, Pat Quinn, Janet Richards, Mary Roberts, Ted Roche, Giaconda Salsano, Harold Salter, Eddie Sherwood, Grace Shipton, Cecil Smith, Keith Southall, Lawrence Speers, Marie Stokes, Wendy Tait, Carmen Thomas, Cliff Tolley, Frances Tovey, Assunta Vaccaro, Patricia Virr, George Watkins, Joe and Joan Whitfield, Eric Whittaker, Gene Whitwam, Edith Wilkes, May Williams, Ivy Young.

**Entrance Antiphon:** Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you and your prophets will proclaim you as you deserve. Hear the prayers of your servant and of your people Israel.

**Response to the Psalm:** I will leave this place and go to my father.

**Gospel acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!

**Preface of Sunday VII p564**

**Eucharistic Prayer II p 573**

**Memorial Acclamation II**

**Communion Antiphon:** The cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ; and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of the Lord.

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**Welcome:** Today, the Little Sisters of the Poor, from St Joseph's, Harborne, are visiting our Parish to appeal for our support for their wonderful work. One of our former Priests, Fr Brendan Donlon, has lived at St Joseph's for many years, and recently the Little Sisters have given respite care to Fr Edwards.

**Baptism:** A special welcome today to Archie Bradbury, who is to be baptised this afternoon. Congratulations to his family.

**Prayers:** We offer our prayerful sympathy to Joan Fearnall following the recent death of her husband, Colin. His funeral was during the past week.

**Teas/Coffees:** Provided in the Borromeo Hall after 9.30 am Mass today by FOSAS. No coffees next Sunday.

**Austerity Lunch:** Lunch in support of Christian Aid at St John's today from 12:30 pm.

**Old Rite Mass:** There will be a sung Mass in the Old Rite at the High Altar here in St Ambrose's this afternoon at 3:00 pm.

**Holy Hour:** This evening at 6:30 pm there will be a time of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament with readings and prayers drawn from the writings of Cardinal Newman, and of Pope Benedict.

**Union of Catholic Mothers:** Meet on Monday in the Borromeo Hall at 8:15 pm. New members most welcome.

**Ecumenical Service:** On Tuesday, 14 September, we shall invite members of the other Christian Communities in the town to join us for our Evening Service at 7:30 pm when we can reflect together on some of the writings of Cardinal Newman and sing some of his hymns. We shall join socially after the service.

**Papal Visit Details:** On Friday, 17 September, during Mass at 7:30 pm in St Ambrose's we shall invite all those who will be attending the Mass at Cofton Park to come together for a Commissioning, because we shall be attending as representatives of our Parish Community, taking the prayers and intentions for Pope Benedict, and our greetings to him, on behalf of our fellow parishioners.

**Attention all Pilgrims to Cofton Park:** Please read the information on your Pilgrim Passport carefully, but note that this will not admit you to Cofton Park. Your Pass Bracelet, which you will receive on entering the coach at Winterfold School must be worn at all times and is your only means of access to Cofton Park. Arrive early, as coaches leave Winterfold promptly at 5:50 am. No delay! There are three coaches allocated to St Ambrose's Pilgrims – EBH125, EBH126, EBH127. Our pilgrims must travel on one of these coaches. You must have some identification with your recent photograph on it. Bring your Magnificat book, your Pilgrim Pack and a pen. You may bring a small chair and a picnic. Be prepared to carry them. Food, water and toilets are on site. If you leave the park at any time for whatever reason you will not be readmitted. Departure from Cofton Park is at 4:00 pm. Please be at the coach at least 10 minutes before departure.

Thanks to Rob Cotgrave, we shall be able to have large-screen viewing of the Mass at Cofton Park in the Adams Lounge from 8:30 am on BBC2. The picture quality will be excellent and precise. Margaret Blizard has kindly agreed to open the Lounge from 8:00 am and tea and coffee will be available throughout. I hope that many parishioners will take up this very thoughtful provision.

Pope Benedict XVI's historic visit to the Midlands will be covered extensively on BBC Midlands Today, BBC local radio and BBC websites. Those travelling to Cofton Park early on Sunday will be able to tune into their local radio station en route for the best travel service and the latest news on preparations for the Mass. BBC West Midlands has made a special half hour documentary reflecting on the Papal Mass in Coventry in 1982: that will be broadcast at 7:30 pm on BBC1 on Monday, 13 September. Midlands Today is making a programme about the day itself which it is anticipated will go out after the 10 O'clock News on 19 September. The BBC is very keen to hear and receive photos from those taking part in the Beatification Mass at [midlandstoday@bbc.co.uk](mailto:midlandstoday@bbc.co.uk) or at [www.facebook.com/midlandstoday](http://www.facebook.com/midlandstoday). Local radio station frequencies are as follows: BBC WM 95.6 FM, BBC Coventry and Warwickshire 94.8 FM, BBC Stoke 94.6 FM/104.1 FM, BBC Shropshire 96 FM, BBC Hereford and Worcester 104 FM/94.7 FM, BBC Gloucestershire 104.7 FM/1413 AM.

The Pope's visit will focus much attention on the Catholic Church, and we have had many enquiries from people wanting to know more about our life and worship. On Sunday, 26 September (the Sunday after the Papal weekend) each one of us could bring a neighbour or a friend to Mass, or a non-Catholic family member, or someone who no longer attends regularly. We want to do all we can to make this privileged time as fruitful as possible.

**The Friendship Club:** Meets again on Wednesday, 22 September. Contact Joyce Gavan or Marie Hesketh (K748474).

**Macmillan Coffee Morning:** Friday, 24 September in the Borromeo Hall, 9 am to 12 noon. Please make a note in your diary.

**Blessed Teresa of Calcutta:** A celebration to mark the centenary of the birth of Blessed Teresa is being held at St Chad's Cathedral on Saturday, 25 September at 10:00 am, followed by refreshments and a DVD on the legacy of Mother Teresa in the Grimshaw Room. All welcome.

**Sing a New Song to the Lord:** A service of readings and music will be led by New Life Together at 6:30 pm on Sunday, 26 September at St George's. All most welcome.

**Music and Poetry for Pakistan:** The Parish Priest will present an evening with a personal choice of poetry and music on Sunday, 26 September from 7:45 pm in the Borromeo Hall. He will also offer a few raffle prizes, and invite a small donation – all proceeds will be sent to the Aid to the Church in Need appeal, to relieve the distress in Pakistan. He hopes that the evening will be well supported, and that other parishioners may wish to sponsor some similar event.

**Harvington Hall:** Alice Hogge, author of recently published 'God's Secret Agents' will be giving a talk in the Great Chamber at Harvington Hall on Thursday, 14 October at 2:00 pm. Tickets £5 (to include light refreshments) should be booked in advance from the Hall on K 777846.

**Confirmation 2010:** His Lordship, Bishop Philip Pargeter, will once again visit the Parish on Tuesday, 7 December, the Solemnity of St Ambrose, our Patron Saint. He will visit the School at 2:00 pm and will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation during our Celebration Mass at 7:00 pm. Families in which there are children who wish to receive this Sacrament are invited to notify the Parish Priest, in writing, of their intention. Parents will want to indicate their hopes for the child and the family in receiving this Sacrament, and will wish to express their willingness to support the child in example and practice. Parents, children and catechists (from school and from the Parish) will take part in a series of meetings in preparation for this important moment in the lives of those who are to be confirmed, and the details are as follows:

Thursday	30 September	Introductory Meeting	6:30 pm	School Hall	
Saturday	9 October	Commitment Mass	5.45 pm	St Ambrose's (Barbecue to follow)	
Tuesday	19 October	Session Two	Thursday	4 November	Session Three
Tuesday	16 November	Session Four	Tuesday	30 November	Session Five

The four Study Sessions will be in the School Hall at 6:30 pm. Applications to the Parish Priest should be addressed to the Rectory and should reach him by 29 September.

#### Finances:

- i Thank you for the Offertory last week of £960.82 (Envelope scheme £275.75, Loose £685.07)
- ii Donations of £4.99 were received for CAFOD.
- iii The Tenbury Collection for Bamenda raised £50.65.
- iv We acknowledge with gratitude a donation to the Parish of £800 from the estate of Winnie Grossi RIP
- v Thanks to those who play Whist on Wednesday afternoons, who have made a further donation to the Parish of £200