

ST AMBROSE'S PARISH KIDDERMINSTER

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Sixth Sunday of Eastertide Year B Psalter Week 2 Pope John Sunday Missal p 424 Week ending: 12th/13th May 2012

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

St Ambrose's

Mon: 7.30am John Corrigan RIP

Tues: 8.30 am Intention of Edward Smith

Wed: 9.15 am Cathy Kneuss RIP

Thurs: 11.30 am Mina May Carolan RIP 7.30 pm Adoration until 10 pm (Compline 9.45 pm)

Fri: 11.45am (Funeral) KATH ESCOTT RIP 7.10 pm Rosary 7.30 pm Holy Communion

Sat: 9.00 am (Old Rite) martin Purcell RIP 5.45 pm John Burke RIP

Sun: 9.30 am Alfonso & Gioconda Salsano RIP 6.30 pm May Procession & Crowning of the Statue of Our Lady

Our Lady's

Mon: 7.30 pm Holy Communion

Fri: 9.00 – 9.45 am Adoration 10.00 am Intentions of Jane DaCosts

Sun: 5.00 pm Intentions of Bridget Power

Sacred Heart

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

Sacred Heart: By request

MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

St Ambrose

Altar Servers for the morning Mass: Callum Atkins, Dylan Chapman **Church Cleaners:** Team C **Offertory Counters:** Group 2

Eucharistic Ministers

Sat. 5.45 pm T. Alexander, R. Quinn

Sun. 9.30 am D. Holdstock, M. Holmes, A. Hunt, C. Vass

Readers

Filipino Mass

H. Cahill

Our Lady's

Sun. 5.00 pm M. Bowdler, P. Bowdler

J. Walker, A. Wright

Sacred Heart

Sun. 11.30 am T. Cole, M. Peyton

W. Moore

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially: Dorothy Atwell, Peggy Baynton, Christina Bickley, Ken Bourne-Turner, Frank Bourke, Peggy Burke, Linda Button, Sandra Chapman, Nora Collins, David Connolly, Rob Conway, Kitty Cooper, Maria Cosenza, Rob Cotgrave, Jane Cox, Eamonn Dalton, Thomas Dalton, John Donovan, Joni Dunlea, Phil Eady, Joe Egan, Vera Farley, Sr Maureen Fay, Sheila Freeman, Anthony Georgieff, Shirley Hale, May Hampsey, Margaret Harley, Rita Harrod, Jim Heffernan, Tom Hopkins, Vicki Houghton, Philip Hunt, Jane Jenner, Keeley John, Veronica Jones, Ben Kelly, Marie Lane, Felicity Librie, Audrey Little, Eleanor Lloyd, Bridget Locke, Arwen Lockley, Peter McQuillan, Fernanda and Michael Maffei, Lee Maund, Kathleen Mellso, Sheila Mikulicz, Jean Mulligan, Kitty Murray, John Nangle, Margaret Norris, Pat Norris, Margaret O'Brien, Beatrice 'Myrtle' O'Mahoney, Daniel Oxenham, Eileen Postans, Chris Price, Pat Quinn, Pat Redmond, Janet Richards, Mary Roberts, Nancy Ruffinato, Harold Salter, Canon Jim Samuel, Margaret Skillicorn, Jonathan Slater, Cecil Smith, Pearl Stanley, Marie Stokes, Liz and Norman Taylor, Carmen Thomas, Jim Thomas, Frances Tovey, Patricia Virr, Eric Whittaker, Gene Whitwam, Edith Wilkes and May Williams.

Entrance Antiphon: Speak out with a voice of joy; let it be heard to the ends of the earth; The Lord has set his people free, alleluia

Response to the Psalm. The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia! Jesus said: "If Anyone loves me he will keep my word and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him." Alleluia.

Preface: of Easter IV Eucharistic Prayer: III Memorial Acclamation: I

Communion Antiphon: If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord. The Father will send you the Holy Spirit, to be with you for ever, alleluia.

CTS New People's Missal. The Catholic Truth Society (CTS) recently published a New Sunday Missal which includes all the newly translated prayers for Sundays and Solemnities of the Year. It also gives the texts of the Scripture Readings. It will be a great help in our participation in the Mass, and will replace the Pope John Sunday Missal which has served us well but is now, sadly, out of date with its translations of the prayers, prefaces and Mass responses. We can place a bulk order, and lists are available at the back of our Churches. The Missals are in red binding, hardback and cost £18. The lists will remain in our Churches until the end of the month, and the order will be placed during the first week in June.

Recently Deceased: Please pray for MICHAEL FRANCIS, brother of Tony, who died suddenly at home earlier this week. His funeral arrangements have yet to be made. KATH ESCOTT'S funeral is on Friday at 11.45am prior to cremation. May they rest in peace.

Pensioner's Party. The Clerical Pensioners (one actual, and one prospective) were amazed and extremely grateful that so many people came together last Monday, in spite of the disappointing weather. It was wonderful that so many of our parishioners were able to come along for what was a very happy occasion. Thanks to Aidan Tagg, and his team of helpers and volunteers for their catering and clearing up, and to the many parishioners for their good wishes and kindness.-

Kidderminster Food Bank: A box will be available at the back of Our Lady's Church, where food-non-food items can be donated. The box will be left out on Fridays and Sundays after Mass and a list of preferred items will be displayed. A box for donations will also be available at St. Ambrose's after Saturday and Sunday Masses.

Teas and Coffees: 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.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul will meet on Monday 14th May at 2pm. New Members welcome.

Union of Catholic Mothers will meet on Monday 14th May at 7.30pm, in the Borromeo Hall. New members welcome.

Good Shepherd Collection. A representative group of children from our School will accompany Mrs. Yates and the Parish Priest to attend the Mass in St. George's, Worcester, on Tuesday, to hand their Lenten Alms to the Archbishop.

Austerity Lunch: the next Austerity Lunch in support of CAFOD and Christian Aid will be at Our Lady's to-day, Sunday 13 May from 12.30 pm.

Garden Fête: There will be a meeting on Tuesday 15th May in the Wheatley Room of the Adams Lounge.

Kidderminster Street Pastors: Meeting on Tuesday 15th May at 7.30 pm at Holy Innocents Church. Street Pastors is a Christian work to provide a listening ear and practical help to the socially marginalised and the needy. Street Pastors will typically patrol the streets in town on Friday/Saturday nights in partnership with the police, local councils and others in order to help all those in need. The Gospel is the reason for the work but is not at the forefront of what is said. There is a non-judgmental approach and a willingness to help anyone and everyone. There is also a need for Prayer Pastors who pray for those on patrol. You are invited to the meeting to find out more about what is involved, to support the project and perhaps get involved in this Christian work.

Bible Study: Next meeting Wednesday 16th May at Our Lady's, Habberley 2 – 3.30 pm. Contact no: T Alexander K741794.

First Holy Communion: The next meeting of parents, catechists and teachers in preparation for First Holy Communion will be in the School Hall on Thursday May 17th at 6.30 pm.

May Procession: Our Annual Procession in honour of Our Lady will be on Sunday 20th May beginning in Church at 6.30 pm and processing through the grounds to the Rectory garden where the statue will be crowned, by ORLA EVANS, on behalf of the whole Parish. We hope that tea will follow.

Ambrosian Group: The members of the group meet for the monthly shared lunch from 11.45 on Thursday in St. Ambrose's Parish Hall. New members most welcome.

Parish Walk: Sat. 19th May at 10.30am. Meet at Hartlebury Common car park, off Hartlebury Road, opposite Wilden Top Road. For more details ring Brian Lynch K. 752982.

Kidderminster Valentines are hosting a 5 Choirs Concert at Kidderminster Town hall on 26th May at 7.30pm. Tickets are £7 from Town Hall, K.732158 and Judy Morris K. 751753.

Renewal of Marriage Promises: On Thursday May 31st, the Feast of the Visitation, we shall have a Liturgy of the Word during which couples will have the opportunity to renew their Marriage Promises. Recently, we spoke of the importance of calling forth the grace of the Sacraments we have received, and this is an important and significant way of doing so. Please indicate on the lists in our Churches, so that we can ensure we have a sufficient number of Commemorative Candles available. The service will begin at 7.30pm and there will be a small reception afterwards in the Adams Lounge. I am grateful to Maureen and Peter Bowdler who have agreed to share the homily during this Liturgy.

Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee. The children in our school will have their own Party in the playground on Friday June 1st. The Parish Celebration will be on Saturday June 2nd, with Mass at 11.30am in St. Ambrose's. The Guest Preacher will be Fr. BRUCE DUTSON, parish Priest of Our Lady and St. Kenelm, Halesowen. After Mass there will be drinks in the rectory Garden and Luncheon in the Borromeo Hall at 1pm. (ANDDOR caterers are making a welcome return) Lunch will be £8 per head. The Hall and Garden will be decorated appropriately and we hope that this momentous occasion will be celebrated in an appropriate way. Please sign the lists at the back of our Churches.

Parish Meeting: The Clergy of the Deanery met last Tuesday and we agreed to hold our Parish meetings early in June to consult on the proposed pastoral initiative in the Archdiocese. During May, we ask **ALL** our Parish Groups to discuss the issues raised in the discussion documents (now available on the diocesan website www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk. And in our Churches) and to be Represented at our meeting which will be held on Tuesday June 12th at 7.30pm. I shall invite those who have previously helped in consultations about our own Parish situation but the meeting is, of course, open to everyone. As Dean, I am responsible for receiving the reports from our Deanery Parishes and these will be brought to a meeting of the Deanery Clergy at St. Ambrose's on July 10th. I am very grateful to Chris Stanley who has agreed to chair our Parish meeting.

Men's Annual Retreat: will take place at St Mary's Sparkhill on Saturday/Sunday 9th/10th June. The Retreat is being organised by a former parishioner, Tim Heywood. The cost of £30 covers food and accommodation. If anyone is interested, please contact Peter Young or Ray Barber.

Finances:

- i. Thank you for the Offertory last week of £1033.80) (Loose £668.85 Envelope Scheme: £364.95)
- ii. Donations for the Clergy Training Fund have reached £151. 52)
- iii. The Bamenda Collection at Tenbury raised £84
- iv. Donations to CAFOD Were £3.51

The Mite Scheme. Warm thanks to the generous parishioners who donate large numbers of 5p coins. The latest cheque for £37.15 brings us to a total of £265.54 in the past year, which has paid for over 6000 rehydration sachets for sick infants, mostly in refugee camps and areas where the population is on the verge of starvation. Please keep on giving! Every coin is a potential lifeline.