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The Sixth Sunday in Eastertide

Year A

Week commencing May 21st 2017.

Psalter Week 2

CTS Sunday Missal p. 385

Response to the Psalm:

Cry out with joy to God all the Earth.

Gospel Acclamation:

Jesus said: "If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.

Feast days this week:

Th. St Bede, F. St Philip Neri, S. St Augustine of Canterbury.
Next Sunday will be kept as Ascension day.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

ST. AMBROSE'S

Monday	8.30 am	Joan Battye RIP	2pm (School) May Devotions and Procession.
Tuesday	8.30 am	Nick Holloway RIP	
Wednesday	9.15 am	Intentions of Revd. Ray Martin	
Thursday	8.30 am	Intentions of the McLaughlin family	7.30 pm Adoration until 9pm (Compline 8.45 pm)
Friday	Adoration	9.30 am – 10.15 am	Mass 10.30 am Tess Grantham RIP
Saturday	9.00 am	Intentions of WJ and AM McElhinney	followed by by Rosary and Novena prayers for the sick
Sunday	11.00 am	Intentions of Susie Kealey	
	6.00 pm	Les Collins RIP	

SACRED HEART

Sunday 9.00 am The People of the Parish.

CONFESSIONS: St Ambrose's: **Saturday:** 11:45am – 12:45pm, and by request. **Sacred Heart:** by request.

MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Altar Servers for morning Mass: Thomas Wright, Connor Vessey.

Eucharistic Ministers

Readers

St Ambrose's	Sunday 11.00 am:	S.Elcock, C.Ellwood, E.Fox, B.Galvin, C.Geraghty, D.Gillett.	C.Villa, R.Tovey.
	Sunday 6.00 pm:	R.Fox, L. Farmer, B.Gavan, J.Gavan, M.Hesketh.	D.Duncombe, M.Weaver.
Sacred Heart	Sunday 9.00 am:	J. Moore, E. O'Neill	S.Coates.

Church Cleaners: Team D (Friday Morning) **Offertory Counters:** 3 **Teas/Coffees:** Tara O'Sullivan, Alberto Maffei.

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially: Ann Aylott, Olena Barchuk, Albert and Elsie Barr, Keith and Marion Birch, Catherine Blount, Jennifer Bush, Linda Button, Martin Cahill, Rupert Caple, Fr Paul Chavasse, Nigel Collier, Helena Collins, Nora Collins, Maureen Connolly, Bunty Cook, Julie Cook, Derek Cooper, Elsie Corti, Rob Cotgrave, Eamonn Dalton, Sarah Dalziel, Angeline Doherty, Revd Patrick Duffy, Sr Maureen Fay, Lina Finella, Victoria Fleming, Catherine Freemantle, Martha Graham, Frances Graves, Fr Christopher Greaney, Diane Grovenor, Shirley Hale, Margaret Harley, Mary Harris, Canice Heavern, Cindy Jones, Georgina Jones-White, John Joyce, John Kean, Wendy Kowalewicz, Audrey Little, Arwen Lockley, Joe McLaughlin, Gaetana Maffei, Marjorie Male, Francesca Marciante, Anthea Matthew, Robert Matthews, Margaret Metcalf, Sheila Mikulicz, Jeannie Morrison, Pat Motteram, Teresa Moule, Sr Breda Murphy, Jacqui Murray, Kitty Murray, John Neale, Delia Nepi, Margaret Nichol, Kate Nicholls, Margaret Norris, Pat Norris, Fr Denis O'Connor, Billie O'Keeffe, Jean O'Shaughnessy, Katherine O'Sullivan, Ken Peers, Doreen Reynolds, Janet Richards, Harold Salter, Joseph Samways, Pauline Samways, Jackie Sands, Louise Sireshek, Tracey Smale, Peter Strangward, Susan Stubbins, Edward Sutton, Nicky Suzman, Tony Taylor, Jim Thomas, Vera Toman, Frances Tovey, Charlie Villa, Ernest Vincent, George Watkins, Keith Weaver, Lyndon Whatley, Edith Wilkes, Deana Wright and Anne Youde.

Vandalism: On Wednesday afternoon, the candle stand in front of the Sacred Heart Statue was taken from the Church, the money box was smashed open (beyond repair), the money removed and the stand left in the hedge beside the Church. Other damage was done to Parish property at the same time. For the time being, offerings for candles can be placed in the box by St Joseph's Chapel, which will be emptied daily.

Parish Readers: We are updating our readers list. Following the death of Gill Pardoe, the Rev. Adam Nicholls is assuming responsibility for the readers' rota. To assist him: Current readers; please send your **name, address and telephone number / email address** to the Rectory as soon as possible. We would also welcome new readers and would ask you to provide the same details so we can add you to the readers' rota.

May Procession: The School May Procession will be on Monday May 22nd at 2 pm.

The Union of Catholic Mothers: meets on Monday at 7.30pm in church for the Rosary, followed by our meeting in the Borromeo room.

Craft club: meets in the hall on Tuesday at 7.30pm. Everyone welcome.

Junior SVP Bingo Coffee Morning: Where: St Ambrose Catholic Primary School, **When:** 10.10am Wednesday 24th May. Year 5 are inviting you to our coffee morning, bingo and more. Please help us support Water Aid, the charity we are supporting. All the donations you are able to produce will be given to this Charity. There will be doughnuts, a cake and biscuits. We hope that you can come. Many thanks, Year 5.

Good Shepherd Mass: The Parish Priest, and one of the School Classes will be at St George's Worcester for the presentation of the Lenten alms to Bishop Robert Byrne.

Friendship club: The Friendship club meets again in the Borromeo Hall on Wednesday May 31st. We can only cater for a maximum of 30 people, but if you would like to be included on a cancellation, please let Joyce Gavan know your name and phone number.

Catholic Men's Society: The next meeting of the St Ambrose's Branch will be held in the Wheatley Room on Wednesday May 31st at 7.30 to discuss some of the implications of the recent Papal Encyclical *THE JOY OF LOVE*.

Holy Hour: The next Holy hour, on DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS will be given on Thursday June 1st at 7.30pm concluding with the Office of Compline, and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

St Vincent de Paul Society: The next meeting of the SVP will be on Monday 5th June at 7.15pm in the Adams Lounge.

Wyre Forest Women's Ecumenical Fellowship: This group will meet on Wednesday June 7th from 9.45am (Tea/coffee) meeting at 10.15am at Jubilee International Church, Hoo Road. Please see notice board for details.

Stonor Park: On Tuesday 20th June 2017, a visit has been arranged to Stonor Park, Henley on Thames, Oxfordshire. The visit will include Mass in the Holy Trinity Chapel built in the 13th Century, and a guided tour around the house. Stonor Park also has a wonderful garden and sweeping grounds. Food can also be arranged in the Pantry Café. Costs: Coach £16.00. House, gardens and Chapel £15.00. Total £31.00 per person.

Retirement of Mr Ted Hammond – Celebration Mass: Mr Ted Hammond, Headteacher of Hagley Catholic High School will be retiring at the end of the current academic year, after serving faithfully for twenty-six years. Mr Hammond joined Hagley as a Deputy Headteacher in 1991, before becoming Headteacher in 2001, a role which he has fulfilled honourably and with a strong, clear vision for the last seventeen years.

To celebrate Mr Hammond's retirement, a Mass will take place for pupils and parents, past and present, on Tuesday 18th July at 7pm at Our Lady and All Saints Church, Stourbridge. This will give the school community an opportunity to celebrate Mr Hammond's career. Mass will be followed with some refreshments in the Parish Centre. Everyone is very welcome to attend this celebration.

Knock Pilgrimage: On 24th April, Margaret Tillot, Mark Peplow and Joe McLoughlin travelled from Birmingham airport to Knock on a Pilgrimage. We joined seven others from London, Liverpool, Droitwich and the potteries. It was a wonderful experience even though it was quiet, as the main processions began after we had left. Besides Mass at the old Parish Church, and visiting the amazing Basilica, we visited Ballintubber Abbey where St Patrick founded a Church. We struggled up the first one hundred steps of the Holy Mountain and returned the next night to hear the Mayo Male Voice Choir in concert. If you are interested in going to Knock, contact Patricia Ronane at knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

Kidderminster Catenian Circle: 64 Brothers in teams from 11 circles across the West Midlands competed for the Peter Eady Trophy on Wednesday. It was won by Redditch (prize – breakfast tray for each member); runners up were Shrewsbury (fruit tray) and third were Coventry. Well over £200 was raised for our President, Eddie Picardo's charity – Acorns Hospice. The prizes were kindly supplied by Rowberry's Farm Shop.

Finances: i Thank you for the offertory of £601.01 (Envelope scheme £244.71 Loose £334.30).

Borromeo Hall/Adams Lounge: available for functions of all kinds; parties, receptions etc. Please contact Joel Douglas on 07513 295817 or bookings.stambrose@gmail.com.

Bingo: Every Tuesday 8.00 pm. **Whist:** Every Wednesday, 2.00 pm. Please come along and support the Parish Centre.

Folk Music: In the Adams Lounge with visiting musicians/singers and instrumentalists on the second and fourth Fridays of every month. Admission free, 8.00pm-late.