

**ST. AMBROSE'S PARISH KIDDERMINSTER**

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**SACRED HEART & OUR LADY, Berrington Road, Tenbury Wells**

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This Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: registered Charity no. 234216.

The Third Sunday in: Ordinary Time Year: B Week Commencing: January 21<sup>st</sup> 2018

Psalter Week: 3 CTS Sunday Missal p. 838 Preface: VIII of Sunday Eucharistic Prayer: I p. 591 Mystery of Faith: I.

Response to the Psalm: *Lord, make me know Your ways.*

Gospel Acclamation: *The Kingdom of God is close at hand; believe the Good News.*

Feast Days this Week: M. St. Vincent. T. St. Nicholas Owen. W. St. Francis de Sales. Th. Conversion of St. Paul.  
F. SS. Timothy & Titus. S. Bl. Edward Oldcorne.

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

**St Ambrose's**

Mon: 7:30 am. Joe Metcalf RIP

Tues: 8:30 am. Intentions of Christy O' Sullivan. 10 am. Funeral Service: MARIA SALACINSKA RIP

Wed: 9:15 am. Winifred Massey (Anniv.)

Thurs: 7:30 am. Intentions of Jean Bullock 7:30 pm. HOLY HOUR followed by Compline at 8:35 pm.

Fri: Adoration 9:30 am – 10:15 am. Mass 10:30 am. Edith Wilkes RIP 1:45 pm. Funeral: JOHN BLOUNT RIP

Sat: 9 am. Kathy Byrne RIP followed by Rosary & Novena prayers for the sick

Sun: 11.00 am. Fanco Sulla RIP 6.00 pm. The People of the Parish

**Sacred Heart**

Sun: 9.00 am. Charles & Marie Evans RIP

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

**MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK:**

Altar Servers for morning Mass: L & J Vessey.

**St Ambrose's:**

Sun 11.00 am:

Eucharistic Ministers: C. Geraghty, E. Buncl, A. Harris, E. Fox, S.Elcock

Readers: A. Martin & A. Flavin

Sun 6.00 pm:

Eucharistic Ministers: V. Page & A. Saich

Readers: T. Collins & M. Weaver

**Sacred Heart:**

Sun 9.00 am:

Eucharistic Ministers: S. Coates & J. Moore

Readers: A. Stanley

Church Cleaners Team: A Offertory Counters Group: 2 Tea/Coffee: B. Martin, C. Thompson & P. Lay.

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

Ann Aylott, Olena Barchuk, Albert Barr, Keith and Marion Birch, Catherine Blount, Jennifer Bush, Matteo Butera, Linda Button, Martin Cahill, Rupert Caple, Fr Paul Chavasse, Luke Coates, Nigel Collier, Helena Collins, Nora Collins, Maureen Connolly, Bunty Cook, Julie Cook, Derek Cooper, Elsie Corti, Rob Cotgrave, Eamonn Dalton, Sarah Dalziel, Revd Patrick Duffy, Sr Maureen Fay, Lina Finella, Victoria Fleming, Catherine Freemantle, Martha Graham, Frances Graves, Fr Christopher Greaney, Janet Greenwood, Diane Grovenor, Shirley Hale, Margaret Harley, Mary Harris, Alane Harvey, Sonia Higgins, Anne Holcroft, Cindy Jones, Georgina Jones-White, John Joyce, John Kean, Kay Kelly, Wendy Kowalewicz, Arwen Lockley, Alice Loge, Josie Lynch, Joe McLaughlin, Marjorie Male, Francesca Marciante, Anthea Matthew, Robert Matthews, Sheila Mikulicz, Jeannie Morrison, Pat Motteram, Teresa Moule, Sr Breda Murphy, John Neale, Delia Nepi, Margaret Nichol, Kate Nicholls, Margaret Norris, Pat Norris, Fr Denis O'Connor, Billie O'Keeffe, Katherine O'Sullivan, Meghann O'Sullivan, Tara O'Sullivan, Ken Peers, Doreen Reynolds, Janet Richards, Harold Salter, Joseph Samways, Pauline Samways, Jackie Sands, Louise Sireshek, Tracey Smale, Rosemary Smith, Helen Stewart, Peter Strangward, Coleen Stride, Edward Sutton, Nicky Suzman, Tony Taylor, Jim Thomas, Vera Toman, Frances Tovey, Charlie Villa, Ernest Vincent, George Watkins, Keith Weaver, Lyndon Whatley, Fr Graham Wilkinson, Deana Wright and Anne Youde.

Rest in Peace: Please pray for the repose of the souls of those in the Parish who have died recently, and for their bereaved families. Funeral arrangements are as follows:

MARIA SALACINSKA RIP.	Tuesday, January 23rd at 10 o' clock (not a Mass)	Burial in Kidderminster Cemetery at 10:50 am.
JOHN BLOUNT RIP.	Friday, January 26th at 1:45 pm. (Reception: Thursday at 5 o'clock.)	Cremation at 3' clock.
WINIFRED TUSTIN RIP.	Tuesday, January 30th at 10:45 am. (Reception: Monday at 4:30 pm.)	Cremation at 12 noon.
ROCCO GIANNINI RIP.	Wednesday, January 31st at 12:30 pm.	Burial at 1:45 pm.
JEAN O' SHAUGHNESSY RIP.	Thursday, February 1st at 2:55 pm. (Reception: Wednesday, 4:30 pm.)	Cremation at 4 pm.
JAMES KELLY RIP.	Tuesday, February 6th at 10:45 am. (Reception: Thursday at 4:30 pm.)	Cremation at 12 noon.
MARGARET METCALF RIP.	Friday, February 9th at 10:30 am. (Reception: Thursday at 5 o' clock.)	Cremation at 12 noon.

(Please note the change of date for the Requiem Mass of Margaret Metcalf – postponed from January 24th.)

**PRU Sales RIP:** Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of Pru Sales, who was a regular member of our Tenbury congregation until her move to Cheltenham early last year. She died recently and it is good that Marian Harper and Jenny Moore were able to attend her Funeral Mass last Tuesday. May she rest in peace.

**Anniversary:** Monday, January 22nd is the anniversary of the death in 1985 of St. Mary of Dolours (Cronin). Infants Headmistress from 1929 – 1955. May she rest in peace.

**Baptism:** Please pray for Grace Shephard and her family. She is receive the Sacrament of Baptism next Saturday afternoon. We wish her every blessing.

**Thanks:** There is a welcome increase in the numbers hearing morning Mass on weekdays since the beginning of the year. Please try to attend at least once in the week. It would be good to know that parishioners will try to be present for the monthly HOLY HOUR during this year of renewed prayer in our parish.

**Apologies:** The church boiler was condemned on Thursday and we have been advised that it is too dangerous for us to use. A survey has already been carried out, and we hope a replacement boiler will be installed before long.

**First Holy Communion:** in this Parish will be SATURDAY, JUNE 9th. The Mass will be at 12 noon. Those families who wish to be present for First Holy Communion are invited to attend a meeting in St. Ambrose's School Hall on January 31st at 6:30 pm. This is a meeting for parents only (not children on this occasion). The meeting will last about 45 minutes and will include an introduction by the Parish Priest, and registration details of those being presented. It is most important that all families are represented at this meeting.

**Additional Ministers & Lectors Rotas:** are available at the back to the church today for those who require them.

**Union of Catholic Mothers:** Meets on Monday at 7: 30 pm. in the Adams Lounge of the Parish Centre.

**Craft Club:** Meets in the Parish Centre on Tuesday at 7:30 pm. All welcome.

**Catholic Men's Society:** The Annual General Meeting of the St. Ambrose's branch will be held in the Wheatley Room of the Parish Centre on Wednesday at 7:30 pm. All Brothers are asked to make a special effort to be present.

**Greenhill PACT:** The next meeting of Greenhill residents will be in the Adams Lounge on Monday, January 29th at 7 o' clock. Local issues may be aired and discussed.

**School Admissions Volunteers:** If you'd be interested in a role on the voluntary panel which helps oversee appeals and admissions to Catholic Schools in the Archdiocese please contact Mrs. Rebecca Tonks, Admissions & Governance Advisor at r.tonks@bdes.org.uk

**Holocaust Memorial Service:** will take place at St. Mary's church on Sunday, January 28th (11:45 am for 12 noon). Flowers to be laid at the memorial.

**Choir Practices:** are to be held on Monday Jan. 29<sup>th</sup> (7:15 pm.), Saturday, Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> (10:15 am.) & Mon. Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> (7:15 pm.)

**Holy Hour:** The monthly Holy Hour will be on Thursday, January 25th at 7:30 pm. This is the last day of the Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity and the Holy Hour will reflect on issues of Ecumenical concern, and will pray that all Christians will be able to reach a shared understanding of the truth.

**200 Club:** 2018 subscriptions/renewals are now due. As a parish community, it is so important that we support this endeavour. It allows vital funds to be available to our parish in order to meet the financial obligations which we have. For those who subscribe to the 200 Club there is an opportunity to win cash prizes. Total cost £24 per annum per number payable monthly, quarterly, half yearly or annually in January. If you wish to join, applications are at the back of church or please give your name and contact details to either Janine Nicholls or Martin Grovenor. Please consider joining.

**Women's World Day of Prayer:** Will be held on Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10:30 am. at the Salvation Army centre, Jerusalem Walk, Kidderminster. Everyone is welcome to attend this interdenominational & international service and male support is especially welcome. For further information contact M. Roy on 01562 822189.

**Line Dancing:** was a great success and raised £60 for the *Light of Maasai* charity. A second fundraising event is planned for Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> January at 7:30 pm. with proceeds going to the Kidderminster Food Bank.

#### FINANCES:

i. Thank you for last weeks Offertory of £1,031.54 (Plate: 611.81, Envelope: £419.73)

ii. £167.67 was raised for the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children.

**Borromeo Hall/Adams Lounge:** Available for functions of all kinds; parties, receptions etc. Please contact Joel Douglas on 07513 295817.

**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 8.00 pm – late.