

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.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year: B

Week Commencing: February 11th 2018

Psalter Week: 2 CTS Sunday Missal p.848

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Mystery of Faith: I

Response to the Psalm: *You are my refuge, O Lord; You fill me with the joy of salvation.*

Gospel Acclamation: *A great prophet has appeared among us, God has visited His people.*

Feast Days this Week: Wed: Wednesday is ASH WEDNESDAY, a Day of fasting and abstinence.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

St Ambrose's

Mon: 8.30 am Edith Wilkes RIP

Tues: 8.30 am Sheila Beahan (Anniversary)

Wed 9.30 am Arthur Wareham RIP

7.30 pm Alan Bullock (Anniversary)

Thurs: 8.30 am Maureen Cleary (Anniversary)

7:30 pm Adoration until 9 pm (Compline 8:45pm)

Fri: Adoration 9:30 am – 10:15 am.

Mass 10.45 am Funeral: GIOVANNA DEL VECCHIO RIP

Sat: 9.00 am Intentions of Nora Collins

followed by Rosary & Novena prayers for the sick

Sun: 11.00 am The People of the Parish

6.00 pm Angeline Doherty RIP

Sacred Heart

Wed: 11.30 am Intentions of Annie Holcroft

Sun: 9.00 am Geoffrey Stanley 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 Collins and E Martin

St Ambrose's:

Sun 11.00 am:

Eucharistic Ministers: C Vass, R Tovey, D Gillett, S Elcock, E Buncle

Readers:

G Hodgkinson, M Moran

Sun 6.00 pm:

Eucharistic Ministers: N Doherty, M Harper

Readers:

T Collins, P Collins

Sacred Heart:

Sun 9.00 am:

Eucharistic Ministers: S Coates, J Moore

Readers:

W Moore

Church Cleaners Team: C

Offertory Counters Group: 5

Tea/Coffee:

G & M Cunliffe

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, Mateo 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, 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, James Vessey, Charlie Villa, Ernest Vincent, George Watkins, Keith Weaver, Lyndon Whatley, Fr Graham Wilkinson, Deana Wright and Anne Youde.

LATELY DEAD: Of your charity please pray for the repose of the soul of Chris Lawley, who died during the week. He is the son of the Revd. Canon Rose Lawley, Team Rector of St Mary's, Kidderminster.

FUNERAL: Giovanna Del Vecchio: Reception Thursday, February 15th at 6.00 pm. Funeral Friday, February 16th at 10.45 am.

MONTINI NEWS: The Congregation for the Causes of Saints has unanimously approved a second miracle attributed to the intercession of Blessed Paul VI, a successor of St Ambrose as Bishop of Milan. Our Montini Room, and our Montini Group, have been named in his honour. He is likely to be canonised later this year.

MONTINI GROUP: Our penultimate meeting will be in the Rectory on Tuesday evening at 7.45 pm. The intention is to visit the Sacristy and discuss the significance of vessels and vestments and other items of ecclesiastical impedimenta. Many of these will be available for viewing, including the relics of St Ambrose.

KIDDERMINSTER DEANERY: The clergy of the Kidderminster Deanery will meet on Tuesday at the Sacred Heart Church, Droitwich. There will be a discussion on the forthcoming Eucharistic Congress in Liverpool, and the clergy will have a period of Adoration prior to the meeting.

CATHOLIC MEN'S SOCIETY: The first discussion meeting of this year will be in the Wheatley Room on Wednesday at 7.30 pm, when Fr Lamb will lead a consideration of the Encyclical POPULORUM PROGRESSIO of Blessed Paul VI.

PALMS: If you have any palm crosses please deposit them in the receptacle near the sacristy door by Tuesday evening so that they can be burned for the imposition of ashes on Wednesday.

ASH WEDNESDAY: Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent. It is a day of fasting and abstinence. Ashes will be blessed and distributed at the three Masses.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: The devotion of the Stations of the Cross will be on the Friday mornings of Lent at 11.00 am in the Sacred Heart Church, Tenbury, and on the Friday evenings at 7.30 pm in St Ambrose's.

CHOIR PRACTICE: Will be held on Monday, February 19th at 7.15 pm.

FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND: Would like to thank everyone who supported our Pie & Pint Lunch recently. Thanks to your generosity they made the magnificent sum of £989.60. All this will now go directly to the needy family whom the FHL support in the Holy Land.

SVP The next meeting will be on Monday, February 19th at 7.15 pm in the Wheatley Room of the Parish Centre.

DESERT ISLAND LENT: Lent is a time that calls Christians to spend some time in the desert or wilderness, in prayer and reflection. If you were to spend Lent on a desert island, what would you take with you for comfort, inspiration and enjoyment? On Wednesday evenings during Lent we will be asking five local Faith Leaders what they would take to make their time as Castaways more spiritual and fruitful. Please do come along and find out about their choices and the stories behind them. Dates, venues and Castaways are:

Wednesday, 21 February	Franché Baptist Church	Fr Douglas Lamb
Wednesday, 28 February	Baxter Church	Revd Nick Collison
Wednesday, 7 March	St Oswald's Church	Revd Canon Rose Lawley
Wednesday, 14 March	Holy Trinity Methodist Church	Lt Louisa Hollingsworth
Wednesday, 21 March	St Ambrose's Parish Hall	Revd Andrew Mann-Ray

All evenings are 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm start. Please do support Lent with *Churches Together in Kidderminster*.

FINANCES:

- i We are grateful for last week's Offertory of £825.05 (Plate £459.99, Envelope Scheme £365.06)
- ii £277 was raised for the Clergy Training Fund
- iii £107.28 was raised for LIFE
- iv £51 was raised at Tenbury for Operation Wellfound – water aid in Africa
- v We are very grateful for the donation of £100 towards a new Church boiler

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 8.00 pm – late.