

**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.

**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Year: B**

**Week Commencing: October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018.**

Psalter Week: 2 CTS Sunday Missal: p. 938 Preface I of Sunday: p. 567 Eucharistic Prayer I: p. 591 Mystery of Faith: III

Response to the Psalm: What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.

Gospel Acclamation: I am the light of the world, says the Lord; anyone who follows me will have the light of life.

Feast Days this Week: **Th. Solemnity of All Saints** (holyday of obligation), **F. All Souls Day**,  
**S. St. Martin de Porres.**

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

**St Ambrose's**

Mon: 7.30 am Mona, Bill & Mary Ford RIP

Tues: 8.30 am Edith Donigan (Anniv)

Wed: 8.30 am Jim Lay RIP

Thurs: 9.30 am Rita MacKay RIP 7.30 pm The People of the Parish (No Adoration)

Fri: 8.30 am Deceased of Harris & Connolly families. Adoration after Mass until 10.15 am

Fri: 7.30 pm The Holy Souls

Sat: 9.00 am Mick Galvin (Anniv) followed by Rosary & Novena prayers for the sick

Sun: 11.00 am Jacqui Jones RIP 3.00 pm **Cemetery Services**

Sun: 6.00 pm The People of the Parish

**Sacred Heart**

Thurs: 11.30 am Sister Xavier RIP

Fri: 10.30 am Rosary 11.30 am The Pope's Intentions

Sun: 9.00 am Walter Kozicki (Anniv)

**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, M. Conway.

St Ambrose's: Sun 11.00 am:  
Eucharistic Ministers: M. Bradley, E. Buncl, A. Colclough, E. Darbyshire.

Readers: V. Page, T. Rock.

Sun 6.00 pm:  
Eucharistic Ministers: B. Gavan, M. Harper.

Readers: T. Alexander, M Bowdler.

Sacred Heart: Sun 9.00 am:  
Eucharistic Ministers: A. Stanley, S. Coates.  
Readers: P. Storey.

Church Cleaners Team: C

Offertory Counters Group: 5

Tea/Coffee: B. Martin, C. Vass, L. Ingrasci

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially: Revd. Dr. Peter Mason. Janet Richards, Arwen Lockley, Maureen Connolly, Harold Salter, Jackie Sands and Jim Thomas.

**Anniversaries:** December 31<sup>st</sup> marks the death in 1964 of Rev. Fr. James Faulconer-Morgan. Priest of this Parish 1938 – 1944. May he rest in peace. November 1<sup>st</sup> marks the death in 1972 of Rev. Fr. Geoffrey Naylor. Priest in this parish between 1958 –1960. May he rest in peace.

**Parish Visitation:** Bishop Robert Byrne will visit our Parish during the weekend November 17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup>. At 4 pm. on Saturday he will meet representatives of the main areas of Parish life in the Adams Lounge – Finance, School, Safeguarding; and also representatives of Parish groups and associations. He will also be attending the Annual Dinner of the Catholic Men's Society, being held that evening in the Borromeo Hall. All members of the Parish are welcome to attend: details from Br. Ray Barber. The Bishop will offer the three Parish Masses on Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. During Mass at 11am our Confirmation Candidates will make a commitment to service in the Parish; and Sylvia and Leo Kealey will receive the Diocesan **Ubi Caritas** award, for their services to the Church in this part of the Diocese over many years. During the Mass at 6 pm. Philip Standing will receive the Gold Medal of the Guild of St. Stephen, having completed 50 years as an Altar Server. At 4 pm the Bishop will meet, and have tea, with sick and elderly and normally housebound parishioners. This will rely on family members, neighbours, SVP members and Eucharistic Ministers to make it possible for such people to attend. Other parishioners who may be able to offer lifts are asked to speak to the Parish Clergy or to Joseph Moran at the Rectory. We hope that as many as possible will be able to attend, and perhaps remain to join the Bishop for the Evening Mass at 6 pm. We are hoping to arrange a buffet lunch in the Parish Lounge on that day. Further details in the coming weeks.

**Holy Souls:** Envelopes and blank lists for the Holy Souls are available in our churches. They may be placed in the Sanctuary for the month of November. **Please do not place any money in these envelopes.** Mass requests for the Holy Souls may be made in the usual way.

**Prayers for the Dead:** This year, the annual Mass for parishioners who have died during this year will be offered in St. Ambrose's Church on **All Souls Day**, Friday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30 pm. This Mass will commemorate all our deceased parishioners. The names of those who have died since November 2017 will be read out during the Intercessions, and after Mass, this year's list will be placed in the Parish Memorial Book, which remains permanently in St. Joseph's Chapel, and the pages turned daily throughout the year. On Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, there will be services of Prayer for the Dead in both Kidderminster and Wyre Forest cemeteries at 3 pm. and the traditional blessing of graves will follow for those who wish.

**A Request:** We ask parishioners who park their cars near to the entrance of the school to ensure they **do not obstruct** other cars, or the entrance to the School and the Caretaker's house. Thank you.

**Rotas:** Please find the new Ministers and Lay-Lectors rotas at the back of the church today.

**Carpet Fund:** the carpet for the Adams Lounge is to be laid on November 12<sup>th</sup>. There is still a shortfall in our ability to cover the cost, and any contributions that will enable our current cash flow to remain in the black would be very welcome. We are grateful for all help so far, and for the fundraising that has taken place to support this effort.

**UCM: Union of Catholic Mothers** meets on Monday at 7.30 pm for a **Keep Fit Evening**. Please come suitably dressed if you wish to take part in an easy and fun session of keep fit led by two guest instructors. Any other ladies who might wish to take part will be most welcome.

**Baby and Toddler Group** is not on this Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October as it is half term. We will return the following week on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November. We would like to invite parishioners to join us after mass during this session for hot drinks and cake.

**The Friendship Club** meets again on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October. Please contact Joyce Gavan. Thank you.

**SVP:** the next meeting will be on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November at 7:15pm in the Wheatley room.

**St. Ambrose's Companions:** meets in the Adams Lounge on Thursday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 12 pm. Please bring a packed lunch. Teas & Coffees will be provided. Widows, widowers and those who live alone are most welcome.

**CMS:** The annual Mass for deceased Brothers will be on Wednesday, 7 November at 7.30 pm. On the Solemnity of Christ the King, the CMS will sponsor a Holy Hour at Our Lady and St Kenelm's at 3.00 pm. It will be conducted by Fr Bruce Dutson, and all are welcome to attend.

**Music and Trivia Quiz:** Today, 8.00 for 8.30pm, in the Borromeo Hall of the Parish Centre. Eight rounds of 10 questions, including a picture round, courtesy of visiting quiz master Tony Simmons. £1.50 per person entry, payable on the night; play individually or as a team. Bar open. Proceeds split between the Air Ambulance charity and the Centre's carpet fund; prizes to the winning teams. Queries to Joel Douglas on 07513 295817 or through [bookings.stambrose@gmail.com](mailto:bookings.stambrose@gmail.com).

**Christmas Bazaar:** December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 12 pm.

Donations of chocolates, bottles, gifts, crafts, jars of jam & chutney etc. will be most welcome. Please leave at back of church or in the Rectory. Cakes also needed for refreshments and can be left in the Borromeo Hall on morning of December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Thank you. Help will be needed on the evening of December 1<sup>st</sup> for setting up and help manning stalls on December 2<sup>nd</sup> would be appreciated. Please contact either Joy Farmer or Betty Martin for details.

#### **FINANCES:**

- i. Thank you for last week's Offertory total of £845.65 (Plate: £394.56. Envelope: £451.00)
- ii. £109.77 was raised for Missio. £89.00 was raised in Tenbury.
- iii. £40 was donated to the Priest's Training Fund.
- iv. Current total donations to the carpet fund stand at £4,340.

Borromeo Hall/Adams Lounge: Available for functions of all kinds; parties, receptions, etc. Please contact: Mr. Joel Douglas, Bookings Secretary, on 07513 295817 or email: [bookings.stambrose@gmail.com](mailto:bookings.stambrose@gmail.com).

Bingo: Every Tuesday 8.00 pm.

Whist: Every Wednesday 2.00 pm. Learners very welcome.