

**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 Thirty Third Sunday of Ordinary Time Year: B Week Commencing: November 18<sup>h</sup> 2018**

Psalter Week: 1. CTS Sunday Missal: p.948.

Preface II of Sundays p.567. Eucharistic Prayer : III p.611. Mystery of Faith : I

Response to the Psalm: Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.

Gospel Acclamation: Stay awake and stand ready, because you do not know the hour when the Son of Man is coming.

**Feast Days this Week: W.** The Presentation of Our Lady. **Th.** St Cecilia. **F.** St Clement I. **S.** The Martyrs of Vietnam.

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

**St Ambrose's**

Mon: 8.30 a.m. Rita Mackay RIP

Tues: 8.30 a.m. Intentions of Jane Villa.

Wed: 9.15 a.m. Intentions of Ted and Claire Gwyer and family.

Thurs: 11.30 a.m. Intentions of Pam Lay.

7.30 p.m. Adoration until 8.30 p.m. Compline 8.35 p.m.

Fri: Adoration 9.30 - 10.15 a.m.

Mass 10.30 a.m. Lesley Thresh RIP

Sat: 9.00 a.m. Deceased of the Galvin family followed by Rosary & Novena prayers for the sick.

Sun: 11.00 a.m. Deceased of the Bolger family.

6.00 p.m. John and Rita Kerrigan RIP

**Sacred Heart**

Sun: 9.00 a.m. The People of the Parish.

**CONFESSIONS:** St Ambrose's : Saturday 11.45 a.m. - 12.45 p.m. and by request.

Sacred Heart : by request.

**MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK:**

Altar Servers for morning Mass: F Robinson, T Wright.

St Ambrose's: Sun 11.00 a.m.:

Eucharistic Ministers: R Tovey, C Vass, R Barber, M Bradley, E Buncle.

Readers: M Holmes, G Hodgkinson.

Sun 6.00 p.m.:

Eucharistic Ministers: M Harper, M Hesketh.

Readers: T & L Collins.

Sacred Heart: Sun 9.00 a.m.:

Eucharistic Ministers: A Stanley, S Coates.

Readers: J Moore.

Church Cleaners: Team: B

Offertory Counters: Group: 2

Tea/Coffees: Craft Club.

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

**ANNIVERSARIES :** Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of Fr. Bernard Boulton, Priest here between 1945-1950; the anniversary of whose death in 1997 falls on November 18<sup>th</sup>. May he rest in peace.

**REST IN PEACE :** We continue to pray for the repose of the soul of Joseph Boland, whose Funeral Mass is on November 30<sup>th</sup> at 12: 15 p.m. prior to Cremation at Wyre Forest; and we pray, too, for Doris Connor, who died at her home at Arch Hill on Monday evening. She was 95 years of age. Fr. Petroc Howell, whose family live in Bewdley, died on Wednesday evening after a long period of illness. He was a former Diocesan Archivist, and was distinguished by the wonderful work he did as Chaplain to Dudley Road Hospital. May he rest in peace.

**VISITATION :** This weekend we welcome His Lordship Bishop Robert Byrne to our Parish. He will offer Mass and preach in Tenbury, and twice at St. Ambrose's. Everyone is welcome to join in the Adams Lounge for lunch after Mass at 11.00 a.m.; and to join our sick and elderly parishioners for afternoon tea from 4.00 p.m. and before the evening Mass. Thanks to everyone who has helped in the preparation for this weekend; and especially in transporting and providing for our sick parishioners.

**AN URGENT REQUEST :** There is a very disturbing trend developing in the Parish of loud conversation taking place before Mass, and sometimes even before the priest and servers have left the Sanctuary after Mass. Last Thursday morning was particularly disgraceful, and made a recollected celebration of the Mass almost impossible. It is a gross discourtesy towards those who may wish to prepare prayerfully for Mass. Please may we try to avoid **ALL** conversation in church before Mass (**and** afterwards, for those who may wish to make a thanksgiving). I regret having to make this request but I receive more complaints about talking in church than any other aspect of Parish life. There is plenty of opportunity for conversation in the Hall and lounge after Mass.

**MONTINI GROUP :** We shall meet again on Tuesday evening at 7:45 p.m. to consider the Saints and Martyrs of the Roman Canon. Everyone welcome.

**BIBLE STUDY :** Wednesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at Aggborough Crescent, Kidderminster (K. 741794). All are most welcome to attend. 2.00 p.m. for 2.30 p.m. start. Refreshments provided.

**CATHOLIC MEN'S SOCIETY :** There will be an HOLY HOUR, promoted by the Catholic Men's Society, at Our Lady & St. Kenelm's church in Halesowen at 3.00 p.m. next Sunday, the Solemnity of Christ the King. It will be led by Fr. Bruce Dutson. Lifts will be available from St. Ambrose's at 2.30 p.m.

**200 CLUB :** The November draw will take place during morning assembly in St. Ambrose's School on Monday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at 9.15 a.m. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

**CATHOLIC MEN'S SOCIETY :** The next meeting of the CMS is to be held on Wednesday, November 28<sup>th</sup> in the Adams Lounge at which a General Discussion to be led by Fr. Lamb on the recently canonised Pope St. Paul VI. All men of the parish welcome. Why not give it a try!

**HOLY HOUR :** There will be an Holy Hour in St. Ambrose's on Thursday, November 29<sup>th</sup> from 7.30 p.m. All those with ministries in the parish are encouraged to attend in thanksgiving for this Church Year about to end, and in preparation for the Season of Advent.

**FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND** will be having a sale of Christmas Cards, Soaps, Seasonal Religious items and Gifts on Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> November after the 11.00 a.m. Mass in the Hall. We would like to send as much money as possible to provide some additional funding to Christian families this Christmas season and hope you will give us your generous support.

**GIN TASTING EVENING :** Friday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> 7.30 p.m.– late. St. Ambrose's Parish Centre. Vouchers to be purchased on the night.

**CHRISTMAS DRAW :** The Christmas draw will take place in the Adams Lounge after the Parish Carol Service on Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are now available from the back of the church or from the Rectory. Please let all of us sell as many as we possibly can. Several recent costs have been incurred in church (a damaged heating pipe, and several new items for the altar) and there is an expensive year ahead following the quinquennial inspection of parish property. Many parishioners have already been extremely generous and we are very grateful for so much support.

**CHRISTMAS BAZAAR :** December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 12 noon. Donations of chocolates, bottles, gifts, crafts, jars of jam & chutney, bric-a-brac etc. , will be most welcome. Please leave at the back of church or in the Rectory. Cakes also needed for refreshments and can be left in the Borrromeo Hall on the 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 of £807.96 (Plate: £517.41, Envelopes: £290.55)
- ii. £198 was donated to the Johnson Fund.
- iii. A further £10 was kindly donated toward the Carpet Fund.

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

Bingo : Tuesday 8.00 p.m.

Whist : Every Wednesday 2.00 p.m. Please come along and support the Parish Centre. Learners most welcome.