

ST. AMBROSE'S PARISH KIDDERMINSTER

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

Epiphany Sunday

Year: C

Week Commencing: January 6th 2019

Psalter Week: 2 CTS Sunday Missal p123 Preface of the Epiphany p555 Eucharistic Prayer: I p591 Mystery of Faith: III

Response to the Psalm: All nations shall fall prostrate before You, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: We saw His star as it rose and have come to do the Lord homage.

Feast Days this Week: **Mon:** St Raymond of Penyafort **Sat:** St Aelred of Rievaulx

Next Sunday is the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

St Ambrose's

Mon: 8.30 am Jean O'Shaughnessy (Anniversary)

Tues: 8.30 am Jim Lay RIP

Wed 9.15 am Rita MacKay RIP

Thurs 11.30 am Patrick Knight RIP 7:30 pm Adoration until Compline 8:35pm

Fri: 9.30 am Adoration until 10.15 am. Mass 10.30 am Deceased of the Hanrahan family

Sat: 9.00 am Roddy Jardine RIP (followed by Rosary & Novena Prayers)

Sun: 11.00 am Peter Aston RIP 6.00 pm The People of the Parish

Sacred Heart

Sun: 9.00 am Donor's Intentions

CONFESSIONS: St Ambrose's: Saturday 11.45 am – 12.45 pm and, by request. Sacred Heart: by request.

MINISTRIES FOR THE COMING WEEK:

St Ambrose's: Sun 11.00 am:
Eucharistic Ministers: B Galvin, E Fox, C Ellwood, S Elcock
Readers: M Roy, A Lockley

Sun 6.00 pm:
Eucharistic Ministers: V Page, T Rock
Readers: M Bowdler, P Young

Sacred Heart: Sun 9.00 am:
Eucharistic Ministers: E O'Neill, M Peyton
Readers: J Hughes

Church Cleaners Team: C Offertory Counters Group: 3 Tea/Coffee: J Walker, B Power, A Colclough, P Murrhiy, D McCormack

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick, and for all who have need of our prayers, especially: Janet Richards, Arwen Lockley, Maureen Connolly, Harold Salter, Jackie Sands, Jim Thomas, Olena Barchuk, Derek Cooper, Catherine Nicholls and Matteo Butera.

Moveable Feasts: It is customary to announce the moveable Feast Days for the coming year at this time. They are as follows:

Ash Wednesday	March 6 th
Easter Sunday	April 21 st
Ascension Day	May 30 th
Pentecost	June 9 th
Corpus Christi	June 23 rd
Sacred Heart	June 28 th
Christ the King	November 24 th
Advent Sunday	December 1 st

Please note that First Holy Communion Day will be Saturday, June 22nd during Mass at 12 noon.

Dr Peter Mason RIP: Just as our celebration of Christmas was shadowed by the sudden death of Richard Tovey, so our New Year is darkened by the death of Rev Dr Peter Mason, who served as Deacon in this Parish from 1992 until his retirement in 2005. He died peacefully in the Mary Stevens Hospice in Stourbridge at lunchtime last Sunday. He was 88 years of age and had been ill for some years. His was a very dedicated ministry to our people, and his contribution to so many in our Parish will always be remembered with gratitude and affection. May he rest in peace. Please pray for Pat (his wife for 66 years) and their sons, Nick and Tim.

Leslie Tovey RIP: Soon after Richard's death just before Christmas, his father Leslie died at home on New Year's Eve, after a very long illness. Please pray for him, and for his grieving family.

Funerals: Please pray for **Callum Luke Price**, whose funeral is at Wyre Forest Crematorium on Tuesday afternoon; and for **Colin John Billingsley**, who will be cremated at Wyre Forest Crematorium on Wednesday morning at 10.30 am. May they rest in peace. Next Friday at 1.30 pm Fr Lamb has been asked to offer the Funeral Mass for **Joyce O'Leary** at St Wulstan's, Stourport-on-Severn.

Montini Group: We assemble on Tuesday at 7.45 pm in the Montini Room to continue our study of the Roman Canon. This week we shall discuss the Words of Institution, at the heart of the Mass and of our understanding of the Holy Eucharist. Everyone is welcome to join the group at any stage of the year.

CMS AGM: Brothers, due to an unforeseen conflict of dates for Fr Lamb it has become necessary to change the Branch AGM from Wednesday, 9th to Wednesday, 23rd January. We need to hold the meeting in January as we have to set dates for the coming year, and the Montini Room is available to us on 23rd. Another date to remember is the Initiation Mass on Thursday, 17th January.

Ambrosian Group: Will members note that the outing for lunch on January 10th has had to be postponed. A new date will be arranged and names of those interested taken when we meet for our monthly shared lunch on Thursday, January 17th. Everyone welcome.

SVP: Meet on Monday, January 14th at 7.15 pm in the Wheatley Room.

New Life Together: are presenting 'Singing the Psalms' in St Ambrose's Church on Sunday, January 27th at 4.00 pm. All welcome. Please see notice board for further details.

Parish Centre: Please could all groups that regularly use the facilities ensure that the Bookings Secretary has all dates and times of their meetings for the coming year. It is important to ensure that the calendar is up to date, since misunderstandings can otherwise occur.

The Adams Lounge: will be open on Saturday evenings for the foreseeable future, and we would like to encourage parishioners to use our wonderful facility.

200 Club: Following the Draw last Sunday the lucky winners for December are:

1 st	£75	No 138	Mrs Maura Furlong
2 nd	£30	No 165	Mrs Sarah Hutchins
3 rd	£30	No 81	Mrs Eve O'Neill

2019 subscriptions are now due. For 2019 we have decided to increase the monthly prize fund. The three prizes will now be £75, £50 and £25. 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 the opportunity to win monthly cash prizes along with bigger cash prizes at Christmas. Cost is £24 per annum, per number, payable monthly, quarterly, half yearly or annually in January. We would love to welcome many more new members. If you wish to join the 200 Club please fill in the form available at the back of the Church and put it in the collection plate or hand it in to the Rectory. Any queries should be directed to Janine Nicholls and Martin Grovenor using the details provided on the form.

Personal Details (200 Club): We would like to thank all existing members for their continued support and ask that all existing members who are renewing their membership please fill in an application form to confirm their contact details (address, telephone, mobile, email) as we would like to update our contact database.

Finances:

- i. Thank you for last week's Offertory of £731.17 (Plate: £486.12, Envelope: £245.05)
- ii. The following donations have been gratefully received over the last few weeks: £100 for the carpet fund, £212 for the carpet fund from the UCM, a £20 donation for flowers, £390 for the carpet fund and £130 for the carpet fund.

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.