

ST. AMBROSE'S PARISH KIDDERMINSTER

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This Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No. 234216

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year: C

Week Commencing: January 20th 2019

Psalter Week: 2. CTS Sunday Missal: p.971.

Preface III of Sundays p.569. Eucharistic Prayer : III p.611. Mystery of Faith : II

Response to the Psalm: Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples.

Gospel Acclamation: Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life : you have the message of eternal life.

Feast Days this Week: M. St. Agnes, T. St. Vincent of Saragossa, W. St Nicholas Owen,

Th. St. Francis de Sales. F. Conversion of St. Paul. S. SS Timothy and Titus.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

St Ambrose's

Mon: 8.30 a.m. Jim Lay RIP
Tues: 8.30 a.m. Rita Mackay RIP
Wed: 9.15 a.m. Intentions of Ken Dalby
Thurs: 11.30 a.m. Stephan Marszalak RIP
7.30 p.m. Adoration until 8.30 p.m. Compline 8.35 p.m.
Fri: 9.30 a.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
10.30 a.m. Mary Nolan RIP
1.45 p.m. **Funeral : Richard Tovey RIP**
Sat: 9.00 a.m. Doris Gillett RIP followed by Rosary & Novena Devotions.
Sun: 11.00 a.m. Franco Sulla RIP
4.00 p.m. **New Life Together Choir**
6.00 p.m. Revd. Peter Mason 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. Arcizewski, M. Cenway
St Ambrose's: Sun 11.00 a.m.:
Eucharistic Ministers: S. Elcock, C. Ellwood, E. Fox, B. Galvin, D. Gillett.
Readers: C. Vass, M. Favares.
Sun 6.00 p.m.:
Eucharistic Ministers: M. Bowdler, N. Doherty.
Readers: B. Taylor, T. Harris.
Sacred Heart: Sun 9.00 a.m.:
Eucharistic Ministers: S. Coates, J. Moore.
Readers: T. Pellew.

Church Cleaners: Team: A

Offertory Counters: Group: 5

Tea/Coffees: Craft Club.

Please pray for our parishioners, 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, Nora Collins and Matteo Butera.

ANNIVERSARIES : Wednesday marks the anniversary of the death in 1985 of Sr. Mary Dolours Cronin, Infants Head Mistress at St Ambrose's 1929 – 1955.

RICHARD TOVEY (RIP) : Richard's body will be brought to the Church on Thursday evening at 4.30 p.m. His Funeral Mass on Friday at 1.45 p.m. precedes his burial at Wyre Forest Cemetery at 3.00 p.m.

GEORGE WATKINS (RIP) : The Funeral for George Watkins has been arranged for Tuesday, February 5th at 11.30 a.m. prior to cremation at Wyre Forest.

BAPTISMS : Today the Revd. Charles Duncombe will baptise **Alexa Jones** and **Bertie Challis**. Please pray for them and for their families as we welcome them to our Parish.

MASS INTENTIONS : May I again request that **ALL** Mass intentions and offerings are presented in an envelope, with the Intention clearly marked on the envelope. The acceptance of a donation for a Mass places very strict obligations on the priest, and when so many Masses are requested for a particular intention it is important that no offering or intention is overlooked. Thank you.

SACRISTY : During this past week, Joel Douglas, kindly offered his services once again as the Sacristan at St Ambrose's. His offer was gratefully accepted, and he began work immediately. Thanks to Anna Schiavone and Marian Harper for their help in recent months.

SPUC WHITE FLOWER APPEAL : Please be generous to the SPUC White Flower Appeal at Mass this weekend to enable the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children to continue their vital work in defending human life, from conception to natural death. This should be a major concern of all of us, and the Society depends completely on our generosity.

MONTINI GROUP : The Montini Group meets again on Tuesday at 7.45 p.m. in the Montini Room, and we will discuss the nature of **SACRIFICE** in the Old Testament (Abel, Abraham, Melchisedech), and the Sacrifice of Our Lord, made present in the Mass.

LEPRA : Next Sunday a representative from **LEPRA** will speak at our Masses to ask us to support their work in fighting Leprosy, and bringing hope to those who are blinded or disfigured by this terrible disease. The Organisation helps individuals but also provides opportunities for communities to support small businesses, offering livelihoods to those who suffer from leprosy.

GREENHILL PACT : The next meeting of the Greenhill Pact will be in the Adams Lounge on Monday, January 21st at 7.00 p.m. All residents in Greenhill are invited to meet with local councillors and representatives of the local police force to discuss issues of local concern. The meetings generally last for about one hour.

200 CLUB : 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 endeavor. 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 Grosvenor 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.

HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL will be held outside St Mary, Kidderminster at 12 noon on Sunday, January 27th. All very welcome to attend.

S.V.P. – the next meeting will be on Monday, 4th February at 7.15 p.m. in the Wheatley Room.

NEW LIFE TOGETHER are presenting "Singing the Psalms" in St Ambrose's Church on Sunday, January 27th at 4.00 p.m. All welcome. Please see notice board for further details.

NOTE OF THANKS : The Lockey and Maffei families and the fund raisers would like to thank Christine Hopkins for the donation of £100 for the autistic twin girls from the bingo and whist players.

FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND, WYRE FOREST GROUP : A letter has been received from the Wyre Forest Group of the FHL commemorating the tenth Anniversary of the Group and thanking everyone who has supported its work, during which over £55,000 has been raised to help with buildings, education, water tanks, job creation and support for disadvantaged children and the elderly. Encouragement is given to continue our prayers and generosity as the need has not diminished.

FINANCES

- i. Thank you for last week's Offertory of £784.54 (Plate: £498.54, Envelopes: £286.00)
- ii. £77.17 was donated to CAFOD.

Borroмео 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 : Tuesday 8.00 p.m.

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