

ST. AMBROSE'S PARISH KIDDERMINSTER

The Rectory, Birmingham Road, Kidderminster, DY10 2BY (01562 822839)

SACRED HEART & OUR LADY, Berrington Road, Tenbury Wells

Parish Clergy: Revd. Fr. Douglas Lamb, Revd. Adam Nicholls, Revd. Charles Duncombe.

Pastoral & Secretarial Assistant: Mr Joseph Moran. Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 9am.-2pm. Thursday 2:30pm.-7:30pm.

Parish e-mail: stambrosekidderminster@btinternet.com

Parish Website: www.stambrosekidderminster.org.uk

Safeguarding Representatives: Jo Walker 01562 910446

Peter Harler 01562 746563

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

First Sunday in Lent

Year: C

Week Commencing: March 10th 2019

Psalter Week: 1 CTS Sunday Missal p206 Preface p155 Eucharistic Prayer: I p591

Mystery of Faith: III

Response to the Psalm: Be with me, O Lord, in my distress.

Gospel Acclamation: Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

St Ambrose's

Mon: 8.30 am Intentions of John and Mary Nangle

Tues: 8.30 am Intentions of Teresa Martin

Wed 9.15 am Anna Ostrowski RIP 1.00 pm Funeral: **Wendy Kowalewicz RIP** 3.15 pm Funeral: **Teresa Bennion RIP**

Thurs 11.30 am The Holy Souls

Fri: 8.30 am Gerry Wright RIP followed by Adoration until 10.00 am. 11.15 am Funeral: **Josie Lynch RIP**

7.30 pm Stations of the Cross

Sat: 9.00 am Elsie Corti RIP (followed by Rosary and Novena Devotions)

Sun: 11.00 am Patrick Heffernan (Anniversary) 6.00 pm The People of the Parish

Sacred Heart

Fri: 10.30 am The Stations of the Cross

Sun: 9.00 am In Thanksgiving (Kozicki)

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: M Conway and A O'Reilly

St Ambrose's: Sun 11.00 am:

Eucharistic Ministers: C Vass, R Barber, E Buncle, A Colclough, S Colclough

Readers: M Holmes, G Hodgkinson

Sun 6.00 pm:

Eucharistic Ministers: M Weaver, T Webb

Readers: L Farmer, D Duncombe

Sacred Heart: Sun 9.00 am:

Eucharistic Ministers: S Coates, J Moore

Readers: C Stanley

Church Cleaners Team: D Offertory Counters Group: 6 Tea/Coffee: A Harris, C Vass, A Flann

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, Nora Collins, Matteo Butera, Rosemarie Smith, Emilia Gissyng, Joseph Kantorek, Fr Edward Sopala, Richard Bolton, Julie White and Henry Bogalecki.

Necrology: Of your charity pray for the repose of the soul of Rev Fr Christopher Thornton, Priest at Habberley 1983-88, who died on 11 March 2005.

Funerals this week:

Wendy Kowalewicz RIP
Reception: Tuesday 4.30 pm
Funeral Mass: Wednesday 1.00 pm
Burial in Kidderminster Cemetery

Teresa Bennion RIP
Funeral Mass: Wednesday 3.15 pm
Cremation at Wyre Forest

Josie Lynch RIP
Reception: Thursday 5.30 pm
Funeral Mass: Friday 11.15 am
Cremation at Wyre Forest

Thanks: Several new volumes of Morning and Evening Prayer have been given to the Parish by Jackie and Lyndon Whatley. We are very grateful for this generous donation.

Lent: Please try to be faithful to morning Mass during Lent, and to our periods of Eucharistic Adoration and Stations of the Cross each Friday in both our Churches – 10.30 am in the Sacred Heart, 7.30 pm in St Ambrose's.

Re-ordering: There has been a slight re-ordering of our Church in Tenbury. Our small votive candle stand from St Joseph's Chapel has now been installed in Tenbury, and the larger candle stand, originally from Habberley, will now be at St Joseph's Chapel, to further encourage our devotion to the Saint, whose Solemnity is on March 19th.

Additional Collection: Last week we overlooked the required collection for the Cathedral maintenance. It will be taken up today.

Rite of Election: Please pray for Charlotte Pidgeon who, accompanied by the Revd Adam Nicholls, will today attend the Rite of Election in St Chad's Cathedral as part of her preparation for Reception into Full Communion with the Catholic Church at the forthcoming Easter Vigil.

SVP: The next meeting will be on Monday, 18 March at 7.15 pm in the Adams Lounge.

UCM: Meets on Monday at 7.30 pm in the Borromeo Hall.

Kidderminster Deanery: The Clergy of the Kidderminster Deanery will meet at St Ambrose's on Tuesday to reflect on the Deanery Visitation and to give further thought to our response to the Archbishop's vision for the Diocese.

Deanery Visitation: The Visitation to our Deanery will conclude with Mass on Wednesday, March 20th at 7.00 pm in Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Redditch. The Archbishop will address a brief meeting afterwards. It is important that all our parishes are well represented by Clergy and parishioners. Please try to make time to attend and offer lifts if possible. In recent years the Church in Redditch has been restored most beautifully, and it is worth a visit to see that if nothing else. The Church is in Beoley Road West (postcode for SatNav purposes is B98 8LT).

First Holy Communion: The first meeting of parents, children, Catechists and teachers will be in School on Thursday evening at 6.30 pm. The book that we shall be using, 'Jesus Comes to Me', will be available for purchase before the meeting.

Music and Trivia Quiz: Thursday, 28 March 8.30 pm for 9.00pm in the Borromeo Hall of the Parish Centre. £1.50 per person entry, payable on the night. Play individually or as a team. Bar open. Proceeds to the Air Ambulance charity, prizes to the winning teams. Queries to Joel Douglas on 07513 295817 or through bookings.stambrose@gmail.com. Looking forward to seeing you for what should be a fun night!

Be a Disciple for a Day: This is an invitation to celebrate Easter and the Lord's Resurrection by sharing an Emmaus walk whilst giving real and practical support to Christians who live where that event first took place. Our suggestion is that, to raise funds for the Friends of the Holy Land, you sponsor yourself (or seek to be sponsored by others) to walk an Emmaus distance (we estimate between 6 and 9 miles) on the Saturday of the Easter Octave, April 27th 2019. Please contact Deacon John O'Brien for more information: jmcobrien@btinternet.com.

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

1 st	£75	No 188	P Young
2 nd	£50	No 166	C Villa
3 rd	£30	No 110	J Moore

Finances:

- i. Thank you for last week's Offertory of £740.56 (Plate: £445.96, Envelope: £294.60)
- ii. £70 was raised towards Operation Wellfound (water aid in Africa) at Sacred Heart, Tenbury

St Ambrose's Parish Facilities

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.